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“I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me
shall never hunger; and he that believeth on
me shall never thirst.” (John 6:35)

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May Paramhansa Yogananda’s interpretations of the Holy Scriptures reveal the Universal Christ to each Truth-seeker.
Paramhansa Yogananda was born on January 5, 1893 in Gorakhpur in northeastern India near the Himalaya Mountains. From the earliest years of his life, he longed to know God, to taste the thirst-quenching waters of Spirit.

His search for the Infinite led him to Sri Yukteswar, his Preceptor. Under the guidance of this God-realized teacher, he attained Supreme Realization and was given the revered title of Paramhansa by his Preceptor in 1935. Paramhansa Yogananda later brought the special Techniques of Concentration and Meditation to the Western World, including Kriya Yoga which is the scientific method to accelerate the devotee’s spiritual unfoldment.

In addition to bringing the Techniques of Concentration and Meditation to the West, Paramhansaji’s great spiritual mission included imparting his intuitively-perceived interpretations of the Christian Bible. Throughout the text of The Second Coming of Christ, Paramhansa Yogananda uses capitalization to place emphasis on a specific truth to aid the reader. In the instances where there is redundancy of material, he includes it because it relates and clarifies the new material introduced.

* Paramhansa – literally, param, highest; hansa, swan. The hansa is represented in scriptural lore as the vehicle of Brahma, Supreme Spirit; as the symbol of discrimination, the white hansa swan is thought of as able to separate the true soma nectar from a mixture of milk and water.
+ Yogananda means “Bliss (ananda) through divine union (yoga)”.
These spiritual interpretations, received and interpreted through Christ Consciousness, are the methods which the Masters have taken to show the world the common, scientific platform of intuitive perception, where the Christian Bible, the Hindu Bhagavad Gita, (Hindu Old and New Testaments), and true Scriptures of all true religions, can find unity. The Spiritual interpretation of the Christian Bible reveals and liberates the Truth hidden in the dark caves of theoretical and theological studies.

Jesus Christ was crucified once, but His Christian teaching has been, and is now being crucified by ignorant people. The understanding and application of these intuitively-perceived teachings are attempting to show how the Christ Consciousness of Jesus, free from theological crucifixion, can be brought back a second time into the souls of men.

These spiritual interpretations are born of intuition, and will be found to be universally true if they are meditated upon with intuitive perception.

PARAMHANSA YOGANANDA wrote:

“O Christ – Thou Rarest Flower of Hearts.”
“O Thou Great Lover of error-torn brothers – as unseen monument of the mightiest miracle of love was established in each heart when the magic wand of Thy Voice uttered: “Forgive them, for they know not what they do.”
“O Shepherd of Souls, wandering hearts are of themselves seeking the one fold of divine devotion. We have heard the ever-calling music of Thy infinite kindness. Our one desire is to be at home with Thee, to receive the Cosmic Father with joyous, open eyes of wisdom, and to know that we are all sons of our own One God.”

(Excerpts from the original 1929 edition of Whispers From Eternity).
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THE UNIVERSAL CHRIST

“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God.”

(John 1:12)

As a small cup cannot hold an ocean within it, no matter how willing it may be to do so, likewise the cup of material human consciousness cannot grasp the universal Christ Conciousness, no matter how desirous it is, but when the student, by the Praecepta* method of Concentration and Meditation, enlarges the caliber of his consciousness in all atoms (Christ Consciousness) within his own. This is what is meant by “received Him”. Thus, according to Jesus, all souls who can actually find their souls one with Christ Consciousness, by intuitive Self-Realization, can be called the “Sons of God”.

All Scriptures, such as the Bhagavad Gita, or the Hindu Bible, and the Christian Bible, have a three-fold meaning. In other words, the Scriptures deal with three factors of human beings, namely, the material, the mental, and the spiritual. Hence, all true Scriptures have been so written that they serve to be beneficial to the body, mind, and soul of man. True Scriptures are like the wells of Divine waters, which can quench the three-fold material, mental, and spiritual thirsts of man. In addition, the Scriptures, in order to be worth-while, should really help the businessman, the mental man, and the spiritual man. Although both the material and the psychological interpretations of the Scriptures are necessary, it should be remembered that the scriptural authors undertook with great pains to point out to man that the spiritual interpretations are of supreme importance to him.

A materially or intellectually successful man may not be truly, scientifically successful man who makes a perfect success of life; whereas, a spiritual man is the happy “all-round” man, who is healthy, intellectual, contented, and truly prosperous, with all-satisfying wisdom. Since by intuition the spiritual authors first sought to make man primarily spiritual, I give the spiritual interpretation with the psychological and material interpretations interwoven. These interpretations will help alike the spiritual aspirant, the intellectual man, and the businessman.

These intuitively-perceived spiritual interpretations of the words spoken by Jesus Christ are to be studied every day conscientiously and meditated upon by true Christian and all true devotees of God.

Universal Christ Consciousness appeared in the vehicle of Jesus, and now through the specific techniques of concentration and meditation as taught in the original Praecepta Lessons, and these intuitionally-received interpretations of the Scriptures, the Christ Consciousness is coming a second time to manifest through the consciousness of every true devotee of God.

PARAMHANSA YOGANANDA

*Initially the organizational name and the written teachings in America of Paramhansa Yogananda were known as Yogoda Sat-Sanga Society and Yogoda Course, respectively. He later enlarged his written teachings and changed the name of them to the Praecepta. The Techniques of Concentration and Meditation and Kriya Yoga as taught in the original Praecepta Lessons are available from Amrita Foundation, Inc.
A SACRED REMEMBRANCE

When Paramhansa Yogananda began writing his intuitively-perceived interpretations of the sayings of Jesus, he prayed for Christ to guide him in divining the true meaning in his words.

Paramhansaji was blessed with the presence and vision of Jesus Christ many times during his life. On one such occasion, in later years, he asked a question of Jesus pertaining to these writings.

It was a time of silent prayer and his room became filled with an opal-blue light, and Christ appeared – radiant and about him a glow of golden light. Looking into his wondrously beautiful eyes, he asked Christ if he had pleased him in the way he had interpreted his teachings.

At once a Chalice appeared at Christ's lips, and then came over to touch his own, and Christ answered:

"Your lips have quaffed the same LIVING WATERS from which I drink."

Words of matchless assurance! This holy response was sacredly cherished within his heart.
THE FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do.”

(John 5:19)

In this sentence we must clearly understand the meaning of the words “Father and Son” and the two words “he seeth.” The definition of a “Son” was given by Jesus when He said in St. John’s Gospel, “All those that receive Him, to them He gave the power to be the Sons of God.” A piece of charcoal and a diamond lying side by side under the sun reflect it differently. The diamond receives the light of the sun and reflects it brilliantly, whereas the charcoal shuts out the light of the sun by its darkness and does not reflect it.

Likewise, the omnipresent consciousness of God shines equally in the life of a spiritual Master and in the life of a materially-minded man. The spiritual Master by the transparency of his consciousness, and purity of his living, reflects the omnipresent consciousness of God, whereas the materially-minded man by the opaque darkness of his material consciousness does not receive the impartial light of God.

There are spiritual-diamond mentalities and there are ignorance-dark mentalities. The Master mind who receives God through his inner transparency of developed intuition is called a Son and the individual who keeps himself ignorant and shuts God out is a prodigal son. There is no essential difference between a spiritual son and a prodigal son, for as charcoal by high pressure can be converted into a diamond reflecting the rays of the sun, so a prodigal son with a charcoal mentality can by spiritual development convert himself into a diamond mentality reflecting the omnipresent consciousness of God. Therefore, all prodigal sons who became real sons of God by inner purification are called Sons of God.

Omnipresent Father

Jesus spoke of such sons who could see by their intuitional eye (“he seeth” what the Omnipresent Father or Spirit is working in all creation). The word “Father” signifies the Omnipresent Spirit who to ordinary consciousness seems to be like a human father with a human form. Jesus in his body appeared to other human beings of his time as seeing through his physical eyes, but the real inner Jesus could see everything with his spiritual eye of intuition. Even as omnipresent Jesus appeared in a human body, so also God can appear in a human body materialized out of the ether even as He appeared to Jesus on the mountain top. At that time Jesus with the human eyes could not watch the materializing form of the Father with His hands working in all creation. It is the inner spirit with countless eyes in Jesus the Son which saw or intuitively perceived the Omnipresent Father secretly working, staying in the heart of atoms, of electrons and protons contained in everything materially created. The Cosmic Consciousness of the Father only works as the reflecting son in all
vibratory creation. Beyond all creation, God the Father is inactive and is only indirectly active in reflecting His intelligence as the Christ Intelligence in all creation. No physical eyes can see the Omnipresent, Invisible Father and know of His secret work in all creation.

“For what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.”

(John 5:19)

Any Son of God with a human body internally feels himself tuned with the Universal Christ Intelligence present in all vibratory creation. Every Master, true Son, knows that the Christ Intelligence present in all vibratory creation is nothing but the reflection of God the Father’s Intelligence present beyond vibratory creation. The sun reflected in a crystal ball is divided into two, the sun beyond the crystal ball and the sun in the crystal ball.

The sun in the crystal ball though limited is the same as the sun shining beyond the crystal ball. Likewise, God the Father’s Cosmic Consciousness shining beyond the crystal ball of cosmic vibratory creation though limited is the same as the sun of Christ Consciousness shining within the crystal ball of cosmic vibratory creation. Therefore, Jesus says that He, as one of the Sons of God, felt His Presence in all creation, believing the reflection of the cosmic Father beyond creation could only do as His Father’s Consciousness actuated Him to perform.

Respected Differences

“For the Father loveth the Son and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.”

(John 5:20)

God the Father differentiated Himself into the Holy Ghost or Cosmic Vibratory Creation or the Virgin Mary. In the womb of the Holy Ghost or Cosmic Vibratory Creation was born the Christ Intelligence of God the Father. Since God the Father differentiated Himself into God the Father beyond creation and God the Son in all creation, He respected all the differences that He created. So, God the Father beyond creation being ever-new Bliss and Love was reflecting the same ever-new Bliss and Love in the Son or Christ Intelligence present in all vibratory creation. This is what is meant by the “Father loveth the Son.” The Father showing all things to the Son denotes that God the Father’s Intelligence beyond creation has all Its revealing qualities in the reflecting Christ Intelligence in all creation. Hence as Omnipresent God knows everything, so also the Sons who can feel the Omnipresence of God likewise know everything.

Revelation of greater works to the Son signifies that to all Masters, including Jesus, as they more and more advance towards God, that is, more and more know about the endless manifestations of God’s power in eternally progressive creation, there will always be greater works revealed throughout eternity more wonderful than all the works revealed at one time. Greater works
signifies that the progress of creation in God is endlessly new, for God is eternal and eternally new in his expression.

"'For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will.'"

(John 5:21)

As the Father has the power to make a dead body alive by charging life force in it, so a master, if he is commanded by God, can make a dead body alive. Metaphysically speaking, real death means not only death of the physical body of sixteen elements, but also the disintegration of the two other bodies in which the soul is encased – the astral body of nineteen elements, and the casual body of thirty-five elemental ideas. Only these three bodies can be dead, that is, the soul can rise above the tentacles and attachment of these three bodies, providing it is raised in all space by being united to the consciousness of the Omnipresent Father.

"Quickening"

Those who by meditation techniques and help of God escaped from being held in the prison of the three bodies – such souls with their three bodies metaphorically dead, are quickened – that is, they are hastened out from the limitations of three bodies to the perception of the infinite kingdom of life. As God can help to resurrect souls from being buried within the delusive sepulchre of the three bodies, so also, Sons and Masters or real Guru-Preceptors who are one with the Father can raise any truly devoted disciple from the imprisonment of the three bodies to the omnipresent Spirit. A true Guru can help the truly meditating disciple to take his consciousness and life from the feel of the limited body out into the omnipresent space to feel all life in all space. By spiritual technique when a soul is quickly transferred from the body to feel the universe, is the meaning of the "SON QUICKENETH" or the "FATHER QUICKENETH".

"'For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.'"

(John 5:22)

The transcendental Cosmic Father lying beyond all creation was reflected himself as the Christ Intelligence in all creation. It is the Christ Intelligence in Vibratory Creation which is directly responsible for the creation of man. Therefore, it is Christ Intelligence which has given to each man his power of free choice to do good or evil. Hence, all men living in vibratory creation are directly responsible to the Christ Intelligence in all creation.
“THE SON JUDGETH ALL MEN” does not mean that the Christ Intelligence punishes or rewards each man, but that each man being made in the image of Christ and God, must suffer by his own action when he misuses his free choice. Man being made in the image of Christ should naturally live the life of Christ but when he resists and acts against the Christ Conscience in him, then he puts himself in disharmony with the ever-flowing judgment or wisdom or harmony or love or peace of Christ. When a river wants to flow and make a land fertile, if an embankment is put over the land, the river indirectly passes judgment of punishment by denying water. So also, when the soul puts up a wall of ignorance and non-receptivity and matter-identified living, he finds that the divine waters of Christ wisdom have passed judgment not to flow in his life.

In the study of the Scriptures, great care should be taken in not ascribing to Christ, who suffered on the cross, saying: “Father forgive them for they know not what they do,” and to God or God-like souls, any sin of revengeful thought or action. All sensible men desirous of knowing the Father must know that the Father remains hidden in all space and is manifesting through His true Sons who are born on earth and receive and reflect His wisdom. Those who mentally respect the Father but cannot hear His voice, should respect and honor true Sons of God, or Guru-Preceptors, whose voices are audible and through whose voices God speaks to truth-seeking devotees. It is so easy for devotees to not only hear the voice of God but to receive definite guidance through God-known Guru-Preceptors. Ignorant people do not receive God by purifying their minds, therefore they do not know that God exists. It is Christ and Christ-like souls who manifest God, and therefore ignorant people who do not honor or offer respectful attention to Sons of God or Guru-Preceptors cannot offer respectful attention to the Father who is responsible for the manifestation of true Sons on earth.

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; and hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.”

(John 5:24-27)

Interpretation

“Verily, verily, through the certitude which I feel through my intuition, I say you and all mankind, the devotees who listen to the Cosmic Vibration, the Word or comforting Holy Ghost and my guided wisdom felt in it, believe and know that my wisdom comes from God the Father.”

People wonder why there are so many so-called Christians who believe in Jesus and God who sent him, but never actually know or feel in their consciousness what everlasting life is or that they are free from condemnation or
working out of the veil effects of all actions of past lives. Only souls who can feel Christ in all creation by constant meditation and spiritual ecstasy are real Christians. They are the ones who know Christ as manifested as the Cosmic Vibration. They know and believe in Christ Intelligence and the Father who reflected that Christ Intelligence in all creation. That is why it is emphasized “HE THAT HEARETH MY WORD;” that is, he who feels Christ wisdom intuitively flowing into him can only believe in Christ or Him that sent him and those that know and believe Christ and God, they are one with the everlasting life emanating from them.

Such souls who are one with Cosmic Vibration and the Christ Intelligence in it and God’s Intelligence beyond creation are free from condemnation; that is, from the law of action and its inscrutable judgment which governs our lives. In passing from death into life, a man has to practice the technique of listening to the Cosmic Vibration and feeling Christ Consciousness. When he is consciously able to do that, he raises the three bodies as spoken of above and is metaphysically dead to pass on from the confinement of the three bodies to the perception of perpetual freedom of Spirit.

The Promise

Ordinary persons who do not know anything of the Cosmic Vibration or comforting Holy Ghost, which Jesus promised to send and which people can feel by practicing methods of Self realization as taught in the Original Praecepta Lessons, actually do not live; that is, consciously feel and live after death. But verily, verily, I say unto you, all devotees, the time is coming in future (as revealed to great saints according to this prediction of Christ) and the time has arrived now when advanced disciples who are really dead; that is, who by the Guru-Preceptor’s help and by meditation are able to lift their souls from perceiving sensations of the physical body, power and energy of the astral body and last, thought confinement of the causal body, shall hear the Cosmic Sound of Holy Vibration or Holy Ghost and feel their wisdom as emanating from the Son of God, or Christ Consciousness which is reflected in all creation and is the reflection of God the Father beyond all creation. And those advanced devotees who commune with the all-comforting Holy Ghost or Holy Vibration (as taught in Lahiri Mahasaya’s technique and as told by Christ to his advanced disciples before) shall not experience oblivion of death as experienced by ordinary dead people, but shall live forever; that is, feel their omnipresent life in all creation.

Apparently an ordinary soul lives only once in a life time because he cannot remember his identity during the process of transition from one life to another. Neither can he remember his identity when his soul passes through many incarnations, therefore an ordinary person is spoken of as living only once even though his soul is immortal. But a fairly advanced master passing through a few last incarnations required to finish up his latent desires can in his life preserve the identity of his soul. Such souls live because gradually they learn to live forever in God without their consciousness being interrupted by death. Ordinary souls live many times and die many times without knowing it, therefore in that sense, they don’t live forever.
Cosmic Energy

As the Father has eternal energy or Cosmic Life in Himself so He has given the Christ Intelligence in all vibrating creation to possess Cosmic energy by the condensation of which worlds are created, and He has given the Son or Christ intelligence to execute judgment and create anything in the universe. And this Son or Christ Intelligence can be manifest also in the form of a man or a human body as it was in Christ and Sons of God who can receive God Consciousness through the transparency of their consciousness.

When Jesus spoke of his physical body, he referred to it as the Son of man; that his body was the son of another man (which sprang from Joseph or which was spoken of as related to Joseph, immaculate or ordinary way as the case may be). Whenever Jesus spoke of the crucifixion of the physical body, he said it was “the Son of man” which should be delivered unto the gentiles and crucified. He spoke of the SON OF MAN or his body as different from himself who was THE SON OF GOD, the emancipated reflection of God. Jesus never taught that the omnipresent Son of God could be crucified.

“Whatever is made of gold retains forever the nature of gold. So, too, all that is born of Brahman is of the nature of Brahman.” – Shankara.

*Brahman – Supreme Spirit.
THE SPIRIT OF THE LAW
AND THE LETTER OF THE LAW

“At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungered, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat. But when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.

“But he said unto them, ‘Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungered, and they that were with him: How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the showbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests?

’Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless? But I say unto you. That in this place is one greater than the temple. But if ye had known what this meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the guiltless.’”

(Matthew 12:1-7)

Jesus was a believer in the Scriptures as written by the great prophets who appreciated Him. Men of realization who have the common knowledge of the same truth do not contradict one another. Because they express the same wisdom in various manners of thought, their disciples of limited understanding create differences and establish different cults with varying beliefs. Great Masters have no differences among themselves, but their disciples with limited minds see differences between one teaching and another. But when these disciples overcome their limitations by meditation and attain self-realization, they find all limitations vanished. In answer to the criticism of the Pharisees who claimed that His disciples were desecrating the sabbath day, Jesus answered in the above manner, quoting the Scriptures to support the actions of His disciples and explaining that it is the spirit of the laws laid down in the Holy Books which must be followed. Literal following of the laws would lead to delusion. For example, to perform distracting material work on the sabbath day may be sinful, as the sabbath day was intended for the busy worldly people who would thus take one day out of each seven days to meditate upon God. But to Jesus and His disciples, to whom every day was a sabbath, a day of God-contact, it was all right to perform any legitimate action like appeasing hunger or healing.

Besides, on the sabbath day no one can stop the functions of the body or control its involuntary movements or stop the racing of inner thoughts, all of which involve activity. If one outwardly remains quiet on the sabbath but inwardly thinks of worldly affairs, he may be superficially observing the sabbath day but spiritually he is profaning it. The disciples of Jesus were really observing the sabbath, for their minds were on God and Christ, even though their bodies were hungry, for casually they ate a few ears of corn as a matter of necessity. That is why Jesus speaks of David who lived in God, and who, when he was in need and hungry, went into the house of God and ate the sacred showbread and gave it
also to them that were with him. This was unlawful for David to do, for only the priests had that right.

Then Jesus speaks of Himself and the Spirit within Him which was greater than David or the priests who could, according to scriptural law, have special privileges on the sabbath. The consciousness of Jesus was one with God and as such was greater than the vibration of the temple where David ate the showbread. Jesus could feel this, being conscious of all present, past or future. That is why Jesus makes the plea that if ordinary spiritual people like the priests, and spiritual David, could go blameless when they broke the sabbath laws, how much more Jesus or his disciples who were one with God, could disregard outward law if they saw fit.

Then Jesus says to the Pharisees: “If you had known that my Spirit within the body temple is greater than the atmosphere of the ancient temple, then I will have divine compassion and sympathy with your understanding and I will not have to sacrifice wisdom by silence, on the altar of your ignorance. If you had known of the Spirit within Me and Its wisdom which guides all my actions and the actions of those that are with me, you would not have literally interpreted the Scriptures and the laws of the sabbath and condemned my guiltless disciples who stand faultless before the real scriptural laws and eyes of God.”

“And he said unto them, ‘THE SABBATH WAS MADE FOR MAN, AND NOT MAN FOR THE SABBATH: THEREFORE THE SON OF MAN IS LORD ALSO OF THE SABBATH.’”

(Mark 2:27-28)

The spiritual law of weekly divine communion of the sabbath is a law of spiritual conduct created for the advantage and spiritual upliftment of man, but living man was not created to blindly observe, without rhyme or reason, the sabbath day. Physical, hygienic, social, mental and spiritual disciplinary rules at different times of civilization and the evolution of man, were temporarily or permanently created to suit the development of man. The rules have to be modified and in spirit have to be differently followed, according to the changing needs of man in different states of civilization in the world progress.

Rules Are Variable

A rule consists of a system of actions initiated to produce certain physical or mental results. These rules are conditioned by time and the state of man. Hence they are variable in accordance with man’s environmental changes. For example, it has been shown above that the sabbath was for worldly people to give them one day of freedom from business which would enable them to commune with God. But if the businessman remained outwardly inactive and inwardly active with business thoughts, he was outwardly following the sabbath but inwardly nullifying the purpose for which the sabbath law created. A spiritual man who meditates seven days a week and fasts several days may be hungry on the sabbath day, so it would not be a sin for him then to eat a little food while he was conscious of God during even his eating. This spiritual man apparently
breaks the law of the sabbath but in spirit he does not. That is why Jesus says that all sabbath days were made for the advantages of man and that man under difficulty was not to blindly follow the letter of the sabbath law.

Thus it was illustrated how an unenlightened following of the sabbath may lead to great disadvantages. The ordinary dogmatic or hypocritical priest of ancient times might be so fanatical about following the sabbath day that he would not run out of his home and ride on a horse to bring a doctor for his dying brother, servant, or a guest. To follow the sabbath law by ignoring urgent needs as illustrated above is hypocrisy and defeats the purpose for which the sabbath day was set aside, for to ignore giving aid to a helpless man is a sin which disturbs communion with God by disregarding the dictates of conscience.

**Spirit of Service**

One can take rest on Sunday and commune with God, occasionally breaking the vow of inactivity whenever it is necessary to offer help to those in need. This would not contradict the spirit of observing the sabbath day. That is why Jesus says that all rules of conduct should not be blindly followed but should be modified with strict reason and not license whenever it was necessary to do so. That is why Jesus says if ordinary men can, without transgression, modify rules of conduct on the sabbath, therefore the Son of man (His Spirit within his body) was also master of the sabbath day and could modify it as He pleased.

Here Jesus speaks of Himself as the Son of man because He refers to His body which has to observe certain physical laws in order to observe the sabbath.

**Purpose of Sabbath**

“And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered. And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him. But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, ‘Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.’”

(Luke 6:6-8)

On this occasion, Jesus, knowing the Pharisees’ thoughts, that they wanted to trap Him, said to the afflicted man, “Rise up and stand forth in the midst of the throng in full view so that they could behold the glory of God of healing on the sabbath day.”

And when the man stood up Jesus addressed the throng:

"'I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? To save life, or to destroy it?’”

(Luke 6:9)
What Jesus meant was that to observe the sabbath day was to do good actions and to have spiritual communion. Hence, how could it be sinful to do good? The Pharisees wanted to imply that all actions including good actions were outlawed on the sabbath. Therefore Jesus wanted to show them that since observing the sabbath day was a good action, it was contradictory to outlaw good actions on sabbath days. It was worldly and evil actions that were to be outlawed, especially on sabbath days, so that the sabbath might be a model day after which all other days or life could be patterned.

More than emphasizing no actions on the sabbath day, negatively, it should be emphasized, positively, that sabbath days should be days of inner communion with God, no matter what one was doing outside, so that other days, though filled with business life, could be inwardly converted into sabbath days by feeling God during all activity.

“Lawful To Do Well”

Jesus, by His question, definitely pointed out that good actions could not be excluded on the sabbath. The Pharisees could not answer Him and remained quiet and then Jesus said unto them again,

“Which man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out? How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath day.”

(Matthew 12:11-12)

Jesus says: “Which of you, in this throng, will not lift a sheep fallen into a pit on the sabbath day? Will you not hold it and lift it out of the pit? Then, if it is all right in your material consciousness to lift a sheep, how much more is it necessary to lift a precious man, made in the image of God, from the pit of trouble? Then, it is absolutely evident that the sabbath was made to create spiritual consciousness and it is lawful to do any activity that increases that consciousness.”

“And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand.”

(Mark 3:5)

And Jesus looked on them with spiritual indignation because of the hard-heartedness of the Pharisees who refused to feel for goodness. Then He said to the man with the defective hand, “STRETCH FORTH THINE HAND.”
Effort of Will Necessary

Jesus meant, “Make an effort of your will to stretch forth your hand and send the all-healing energy there. If you do so and are in tune with Me, My divine will, controlling the cosmic energy of the universe, also present in your will and your bodily energy, will heal your hand.” The person healed had to do something to prepare his mental soil so that the seed of divine healing power coming from Jesus could sprout into the plant of healing.

“And he stretched it out and his hand was restored whole as the other. And the Pharisees went forth, and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against him, how they might destroy him. But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from Galilee followed him, and from Judea, and from Jerusalem, and from Idumea, and from beyond Jordan; and they about Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they had heard what great things he did, came unto him. And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him. For he had healed many; insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him, as many as had plagues.”

(Mark 3:5-10)

Spiritual Humility

Jesus, with His spiritual humbleness, not trying to resist material forces by spiritual miracles, withdrew with His disciples to the sea. A great multitude came to Him. Jesus told His disciples to have a ship where He could retire and avoid the throng. He had done his duty in healing many and He wanted to do His duty to God in solitude.

Many infected with plagues pressed upon Him to touch Him and became healed. Jesus, even though He was serving mankind, knew He was doing so with the power of God and that in the course of doing His duty to mankind he should not forget His duty to commune with God in solitude, without Whose power He could not do any healing and from Whom Jesus derived all His strength, love and inspiration.
WHAT JESUS MEANT BY RESURRECTION

“Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just: because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.”

(John 5:28-30)

“For the time is coming,” that is, in all future times it is the law that all those that are physically dead shall hear the sound of Cosmic Vibration and shall forsake the unconscious state of subconscious sleep which invades every soul after death, including all who are good and all who have done evil. Those who have done good, through their stored up effects of good actions, would be resurrected or reincarnated into spiritual earth life. Those who have stored up evil in their past lives with their astral bodies, would be led by the Cosmic Vibration to reincarnate in physical bodies with evil tendencies and brains, in evil families.

Trumpet of Gabriel

The Cosmic Vibration is the trumpet of Gabriel which lifts the astral and casual body of encased souls with good and bad Karma slumbering beneath the graves of after-death unconsciousness. Due to the after-death unconsciousness which invades all souls whether with good or bad karma, this Holy Ghost, or Gabriel’s trumpet of intelligent Cosmic Vibration, floats the various astrally encased souls to the respective shores of good and evil environments in earth life.

This Cosmic Vibration serves like dancing waves in the sea of ether to lead good souls to enter the luminous life-signals found by the combination of spermatozoon and ovum cells during the positive and negative connection between good parents.

Attracting a Bodily Home

When good parents unite in physical union they form a light at the base of the spine resulting from the positive and negative currents of the spine and sex organs. This light acts as a signal for the portal through which a good astral-encased soul can be led to be physically conceived in a combining spermatozoon and ovum cell. When the soul enters, the embryo is formed and gradually the body is ready to be born. Souls with bad karma have to enter into the body of evil mothers. When evil parents come into physical union, they form a dim dark light at the base of the spine, signaling the entry of a soul with evil karma.
That is why Jesus says with his universal Christ consciousness: “I CAN OF MY OWN SELF DO NOTHING”. That is, God, or Jesus as the Christ Intelligence, is not a divine autocrat who passes judgment on the actions of people. The Christ Intelligence in all matter never punishes anybody; instead, according to the vibrations of good or evil present in souls, the cosmic law in divine intelligence automatically pronounces a judgment good or evil as the case may be. This cosmic law and its judgment are based on the law of cause and effect which governs our life and is just.

Law of Harmony

As one hits his knuckles on a stone, his knuckles automatically get hurt without the stone’s will to hurt them; likewise the divine law of harmony gives birth to just conditions for all souls. When any soul acts against this law, he hurts himself. For example, the human flesh in the hand is sensitive – if it is dipped in cool water it produces a soothing effect. If it is dipped in fire, it burns. In such cases, the fire does not willingly burn an individual nor does the cool water produce, from choice, coolness in anyone’s hand. The one who touches the fire is responsible for getting the burn. The one who dips his hand in water is responsible for feeling the cold on his hand.

Like Attracts Like

Like attracts like. Souls with evil karma are born evil families, souls with good karma are born in good families. Evil families and good families attract souls with evil and good tendencies, according to the magnetism of their inner likings. That is, evil families like to get souls with bad karma. Good families like to get good souls. So, also, the evil ones like to get evil families and good souls like to get good families. The cosmic law and cosmic energy are only guides to help both good and bad to their respective destinations.

Jesus meant: “I, the Christ Consciousness present in all creation and all souls, seek not to materialize my wishes on earth, but to obey the just cosmic law of creation as guided by the will and wisdom of the cosmic consciousness, the Father who is present beyond creation as the Transcendental Absolute, and in creation as myself, the Christ Intelligence.”

Literal interpretation of the words used in the Scriptures has caused great havoc in the various interpretations of the Bible by intellectual writers who had little or no direct intuitional perception of truth. The word “graves” used by Jesus does not mean that only those souls that are buried in the graves will be resurrected. Many bodies are not buried but are cremated and blown away into the sky.

The word “grave” gave writers the thought that souls were waiting in the ground, ready to be resurrected when Gabriel blows his trumpet. It appears that for twenty centuries Gabriel has not sounded his trumpet, because the skeletons of millions can be found still in their graves. And what a crime for Gabriel to keep the good and bad waiting for centuries without discrimination. And suppose if Gabriel sounds his trumpet today, those wicked ones who were buried yesterday would be resurrected after a day’s waiting, while souls dead twenty centuries ago would be resurrected after twenty centuries. This popular idea of resurrection is baseless, revolting, injurious, and unreasonable. Jesus became resurrected or reincarnated in a death-destroyed remodeled body in three days.
Meaning of “Graves”

“Graves” signifies the after-death state of mental stupor or unconscious sleep which most souls have to undergo. Almost all souls except the advanced ones are buried beneath the graves of subconscious sleep. The wakeful consciousness of man is buried in the sepulchre of unconscious sleep. During sleep, he is not conscious of the body and the state of sleep which entomb the wakeful soul of man. In sleep the astral body and the causal body retire from the muscles and sleep in the cavities of internal organs and the spine and subconscious mind.

In wakefulness, the life force vibrates outward with many sounds and resurrects the sleeping astral body and mind of man into the state of wakefulness. Likewise, the after-death state of unconsciousness is spoken of as graves which entomb all souls of good or bad karma within their astral and causal bodies. The time of this death sleep is different for various people according to their individual characteristics, even as people of various habits sleep for long or short periods.

Just as the vibrating life force resurrects the wakeful consciousness of man into the wakeful state, so the voice of Cosmic Vibrating Energy lifts souls of good or bad karma, with their astral and causal bodies, from beneath the tomb of after-death state into the spiritual environment of earth or heaven, or good or bad environment of earthly life.

All Vibrations Have Sound

The word “voice” is very confusing as it suggests a human being, but all vibrations have their distinctive voices or sounds. The Cosmic Energy, or Vibration, also has a voice of Cosmic Sound which is called Amen by Christians or Om by Hindus. This Amen is the faithful witness in the beginning of creation – that is, all vibrating creation, is accompanied by the Cosmic Sound of Amen or Om or the Word or Holy Ghost, which is the first vibrating manifestation of God.

Meaning of “Voice”

God is the Word or Om or Holy Ghost or Cosmic Vibration or Cosmic Energy. God is Cosmic Sound resulting from the Cosmic Energy and Cosmic Vibration. God’s first manifestation is the Word or Intelligent Cosmic Vibrating Sound. Throughout the Bible wherever the word “VOICE” or “GOD SAID” is used, it signifies that God did not speak through a throat but that, whenever God wills to create something definite, His will stirs up and energizes the Cosmic Energy which produces various sounds. Hence, “God said” means God vibrating, and His Voice signifies His Intelligent Cosmic Vibration and Energy.

Body Forgotten in Sleep

Resurrection of life indicates reincarnation or rising again of souls from beneath the graves of the after-death unconscious state. A soul during sleep is not conscious of its physical body. Likewise, a soul after death is not conscious of its astral and causal bodies.
sleeping the unconscious sleep of death. How could souls who are sleeping in the after-death state keep vigil over their disintegrating skeletons buried in the graves?

In sleep the first thing that is forgotten is the body. In death likewise, the first thing that is forgotten is the physical body. In sleep though the physical body is forgotten still there is a link between it and the soul, so in wakefulness the soul becomes conscious of the same forgotten body again. In death the soul’s connection with the physical body is permanently severed. In the case of Jesus Christ, it was exceptional because even though in death his soul was separated from his physical body, by an act will with Cosmic Energy, he rebuilt his dilapidated body and housed his soul there again. In this case, the soul of Jesus Christ resurrected in the same body. The soul of Elias was resurrected or reincarnated in the body of John the Baptist.

However, as a soul after the unconsciousness of sleep wakes up in the physical body with the help of the withdrawn life force going out from the spine, heart, into the sensory motor nerves, so also, souls sleeping in the after-death state are waked by the Intelligent vibrating Cosmic Energy (His Voice) and are led to enter into newly built protoplasmic-homes of sperm and ovum cells which change into the embryo.

Sleep and Death

The difference between waking after sleep and waking after death is this – that in sleep a soul awakens from the subconscious state to the consciousness of the same physical body forgotten in the state of sleep. After the sleep of death is finished, a soul awakens not in the same body but in a different body. Resurrection of good and evil depends on the amount of good and evil performed by the use of the free will of man and is based on the scientific law of cause and effect.

A few evil actions cannot condemn a soul made in the image of God to be perpetually condemned into suffering. A few good actions could not qualify a soul to enjoy everlasting immortality. The amount of good and evil in souls brings them nearer to God or sends them father away from God. Various grades of good souls are born on earth but when one attains the final good, or God, he has not necessarily to come back on earth unless he chooses to do so of his own free will.

A Finite Cause

But if a soul, being made in the image of God, however much sin he acquired, and even though he may be the greatest of all sinners, and even though he had been sinning for many incarnations, he cannot be damned or judged to be guilty of sin forever. A finite cause cannot have an infinite effect.

A soul being made in the image of God is potentially and eternally good, but due to the misuse of his freewill, he might imagine himself to be evil, as a king’s son under the influence of liquor may think himself to be poor, but as soon as he recovers from his state of intoxication, he forgets his poverty consciousness. So, also, a soul not made with sin, whenever he wakes up in God, remembers his real nature to be eternally good.

Besides, God and Christ do not judge. We, being made in their images, are inherently law-bound to be happy when we are harmonious with God and Christ.
Consciousness. And when we are differently acting against the harmony of God, we suffer, due to our own actions.

Man Punishes Himself

That is why Jesus clearly says, “I of mine own self do nothing. As I hear I judge.” That is, the Christ Intelligence acts according to the vibrations of the cosmic law of God which governs our lives. A soul by wrong living can create a physical and mental hell, causing more suffering than he would undergo even in the after-death hell of fire as created by the vengeful imagination of man. And a soul by good living can create within himself a place sweeter than heaven.

Man under the influence of delusion ascribes to the all-loving God who is equally the father of all, a revengeful, vindictive spirit which creates hells and purgatories. God in His Infinite Love is calling the soul continuously to come back to His eternal kingdom of Bliss. But souls, when they misuse God-given independence, wander away from God and wallow in the mire of suffering, punishing themselves by the effects of their own errors.

The idea of an eternal heaven is true, for we are made in the image of God, and at the end of the trail of reincarnations actuated by our wandering material desires, we will find the heavenly blissful Father waiting to receive His prodigal children and to entertain them with the fatted calf of everlasting, ever-new Joy. But the idea of eternal damnation for eternally blessed souls made in the image of God is untenable and should be exploded and banished from the superstitious minds of men.

“If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true. There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.”

(John 5:31-32)

Jesus meant: “It is not right or true or proper if I give testimony about my own being. There is another, the transcendental Cosmic Consciousness beyond creation (God the Father) whose reflected Christ Consciousness in all matter bears witness of my being; that is, declares my wisdom as derived from Him, and I, Christ Consciousness, intuitively know that the testimony of God the Father of me or whatever God declares through my voice and teachings about me and my characteristics and about my being the Savior of all beings is true.”

Jesus and John

“Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth. But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved. He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.”

(John 5:33-35)

Jesus meant: “Ye believed in John and he bore witness and declared the truth which he witnessed within himself. You received the truth of God indirectly through the testimony of John’s human consciousness. But I, Jesus Christ, whose consciousness is one with the
intelligence in all creation, do not speak through the borrowed knowledge of another man, but these truths which I declare and which will save you from suffering entailed through physical consciousness, I receive through God the Father. John was burning with divine love and shining with the love of God's wisdom, and you are all willing for a little while to rejoice, watching the glory of God, but without sincerely following him."

"But I have greater witness than that of John; for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me. And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape. And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not."

(John 5:36-38)

Jesus meant: “But, I, Christ Consciousness, in my universal perception, witness and behold greater wisdom than that of John. John might have inspired you a little bit in God, but my work of resurrecting again souls unto God, as manifest in the lives of the disciples and the miracles which I have to work according to the wishes of the Father, and all the divine reformations which God has given me to finish during earth life, bear sufficient testimony that God’s absolute consciousness (and not partial as in John) has been vibrating in me. As the proof of the pudding is in the eating, so my various demonstrations of divine power amply prove the fuller and greater manifestation of God in me than in John, and my works, my consciousness, my teachings are witnessed and sponsored by the Heavenly Father consciousness.

"O, ye body identified souls, you have never heard the Cosmic Intelligent sound emanating from the Cosmos and all vibrating creation at any period of your life, nor have you seen the Cosmic Light emanating from the Cosmic Vibration as spread in all vibrating creation. For, if any of you had been blessed with such experience, you would have known God can be seen as a Cosmic Light in all creation and a sound vibrating in the intelligently guided devotees through their ecstatic communion. Also, if you know God, you would have understood that He can take any shape of any saint and appear before your eyes and talk to you.”

The Devotee’s Demand

“Hydrogen-oxygen gas is invisible, but can be converted into a piece of solid ice, so also, invisible Spirit can condense Himself through a devotee’s demand into any form. But it should be remembered, though God can appear to the devotee in a human form or as a great light or cosmic intelligent sound, He cannot be limited by the boundaries of a body or material vibration, for God is spread eternally where vibration cannot enter.

“Even as invisible God has become the visible worlds, universes, nature, earth, man, so God can take any shape He wants. When He is invisible Omnipresence, He is impersonal. When He is visible in the light of the devotion of a devotee, He is personal. Therefore, it is foolish to argue whether God is personal or impersonal. He is both. And because you all believe not in the Christ Intelligence manifest in my consciousness, that shows that you have not felt the Cosmic Vibration of God within you. All devotees who have heard the Cosmic Sound know that it is not an ordinary vibration, but that within it is the intelligence and inspiration of Christ Consciousness.”
“Search the scriptures: for in them you think you have eternal life: and they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. I am come in my Father’s name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only?”

(John 5:39-44)

Jesus meant: “Search the words of wise men in the Scriptures in which you think that eternal life and eternal wisdom are present for even those very Scriptures spoke of my coming. And yet, you do not come to me in whom you do not have to think of eternal life, but who is the very embodiment of eternal life in flesh. If you come to me, your isolated little lives floating away from God will find union with cosmic life. By connecting with eternal life you will find fulfillment of all your desires and freedom from the wheel of life and death created by your material desires.

“I am not seeking personal honor from men except that I am asking you to listen to me that I may deliver unto you the message of Him who sent me. I am not seeking perishable honor from men, for I have received the permanent recognition and love of God, but I know that your souls are diverted to the material world, loving its manifestations, and that has made you forget the ever-entertaining, ever-freeing love of God within you. Those that by eloquence, exaggeration and emotional appeal with pseudo-brilliance attract your attention, cast over you their false glamour. I have come to declare my Cosmic Father, not by emotional appeal, but by appealing to your intelligent sense.”

How Can You Believe?

“You refuse to receive my all-redeeming wisdom about the Father in your consciousness. How can you believe that the certificate and assurance of God’s protection is the highest security which is honored by all creation when you have learned to crave for the futile, short-lasting, fickle, empty praise of man? The attention of people towards you is fickle, but God’s loving attention or honor is lasting and insures every-certain security and guidance. Do not waste time seeking the fickle praise of man but utilize every moment of your life in doing those works which will draw the attention and favor of God.”

“Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if you believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?”

(John 5:45-47)

Jesus meant: “Do not think that because you do not listen to me, I will accuse you and hold you responsible before the Father.” (Jesus on the cross, instead of accusing, said: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do”). Jesus here revealed his all-loving, all-forgiving nature which not only wanted to draw souls to God, but to love and lift souls by love from the mire of error.
Unconditional Love

“There is one prophet, Moses, who justly judge your faults according to divine wisdom before God and you trust in him. Moses had the conditional love of the Father towards the son. If the son was good, the father loved him and if the son was bad, the father punished him. Moses treated his disciples with the conditional love of the Father, but the love I give you is like the unconditional love of the mother which loves the son no matter whether he is good or bad. And it is strange that when you believe Moses, you do not believe me who has greater love toward you than Moses had. For Moses wrote about my coming in the Scriptures and if you do not believe the visible prophetic writings of Moses, how could you believe my words only?”

Jesus, according to the conduct of a true devotee of God, was trying to persuade his ignorance-bewildered brethren through reason and manifesting love of God and humbleness, and not by theological threats and the fear of divine punishment or by the compulsion of physical miracles. If Almighty God used force to make his prodigal children come back to Him, they would be mechanical and not soulful creations.

God gave men free choice so that they could accept Him or cast Him off if they wanted, hoping perchance man would use his reason to forsake the temporary pleasures of flesh and choose the everlasting love in His spirit. Jesus, with all miraculous powers, was pleading with ignorant people and trying to awaken their wisdom by which they would use their free will to forsake the evils of sense pleasures and to seek the lasting ever-new bliss by meditating on God.
“THE ISLES SHALL WAIT FOR HIS LAW”

“And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, ‘THOU ART THE SON OF GOD’. And he straitly charged them that they should not make him known.”

(Mark 3:11-12)

Unclean spirits who possessed the bodies of some men could recognize Jesus as the son of God because, being in the astral world, they partially knew about the spirit of Jesus which supremely ruled there. All spirits, whether clean or unclean, knew that it was Christ and not Satan who had complete power over the inner world. Even though Satan tried to rule the astral world and earth, spirits knew that Christ Consciousness in Jesus was the real ruler of the inner world.

What Are Unclean Spirits?

The unclean spirits are those souls that leave their physical bodies in a state of sin. Murderers, thieves, drunkards and above all, treacherous souls, are considered unclean souls in the astral world, also those who ruthlessly and foolishly commit suicide. These souls roam in the astral world, imprisoned in the causal and astral bodies, finding no rest in the astral world and hating to be reborn on the earth, or, sometimes, grieving for not being born on the earth again. These souls have to roam about in the ether until some of the effects of their bad actions or karma are worn out through the operation of the divine law. These tramp souls are very unscrupulous, even as they were during earth life. A strong personality fully occupies his brain and shuts out the invasion of such tramp souls who are everywhere in the ether looking for a free ride, the occupation of a weak-brained individual’s body. The weak individual keeps his brain and mind empty and passive, indirectly inviting and enabling tramp souls to enter his thought-unoccupied mind.

When the exorcised spirits consciously recognized Jesus, he commanded them not to thus directly declare him as the Son of God. Since all things of the astral world are hidden according to the will of God, Jesus did not want himself to be revealed except in the natural human way.

“Behold My Servant”

“That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, ‘BEHOLD MY SERVANT, WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN; MY BELOVED, IN WHOM MY SOUL IS WELL PLEASED: I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT UPON HIM, AND HE SHALL SHEW JUDGMENT TO THE GENTILES, HE SHALL NOT STRIVE, NOR CRY, NEITHER SHALL ANY MAN HEAR HIS VOICE IN THE STREETS. A BRUISED REED SHALL HE NOT BREAK, AND SMOKING FLAX SHALL HE NOT QUENCH, TILL HE SEND FORTH JUDGMENT UNTO VICTORY. AND IN HIS NAME SHALL THE GENTILES TRUST’.”

(Matthew 12:17-21)
Matthew is referring here to the ancient prophecy of Esaias (Isaiah 42:1-4) about the future conditions surrounding the appearance of Jesus on earth.

Highly Developed Souls

When souls struggle and become highly developed and almost free, God can send them on earth from time to time to relieve the misery of His ignorance-stricken children by trying to show them a way of salvation through the exemplary lives of the true sons of God who have attained salvation by self-effort. God said, “Esaias, behold my child, Jesus, who has developed himself to please Me and become My beloved. Hence I have chosen him, sometime in the future, to act as the servant of a great message which will redeem many souls on earth.” God also promised that He would put His will and blessings and wisdom into the harmony-tuned soul of Jesus, that he might show divine judgment and wisdom and the art of super-living to the Gentiles.

God signified to Esaias further that Jesus, in his coming Christ-consciousness incarnation, having already spiritually developed, and being reinforced with the will and wisdom of God, would not have to strive to be spiritual nor cry for wisdom, and that no ordinary human being, walking on the streets of matter, would be able to hear the “voice” or cosmic vibrating Spirit of God encased in the body of Jesus.

Further, God signified that Jesus, the Son of God, would not be at all inwardly affected, though his Spirit was encased in the fragile reed of the body which might be bruised or crucified; that his Spirit, burning with wisdom like smoking flax, would not be quenched or suppressed by the persecution of the flesh in crucifixion; that he would only give up the body when he had sent forth or expressed his judgment or wisdom in complete spiritual victory; that Jesus would return to earth after death, declaring the victory of Spirit over matter, and that he would only go away from the earth after declaring to the world that he, even during crucifixion of his body, could retain the magnanimity and the spiritual qualities of the soul untouched by the tortures of flesh and the hatred of man.

Guru of the World

The sentence, A BRUISED REED SHALL HE NOT BREAK, AND SMOKING FLAX SHALL HE NOT QUENCH, TILL HE SEND FORTH JUDGMENT UNTO VICTORY, clearly declares that the body of Jesus, even though persecuted from all sides, would remain until the message of God was given, and by physical crucifixion the power of Spirit and goodness were to be declared as lords over the tortures of flesh and the hatred of men. God declared through Esaias that the Gentiles or entire world outside of Israel would accept Jesus as its Guru or spiritual guide, intuitively realizing the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

That this is the correct interpretation is shown by the further words of the prophet (Isaiah 42:4): HE SHALL NOT FAIL NOR BE DISCOURAGED, TILL HE HAVE SET JUDGMENT IN THE EARTH: AND THE ISLES SHALL WAIT FOR HIS LAW.

The prophecies of saints and Jesus can be understood only through the self-realization and developed intuition of true devotees. Intellectual professors write philosophical discourses which can be understood by all intellectual people. But the sayings of Jesus and the utterances of prophets are born out of pure self-realization and are not due to the uncertain activities of reason. Such sayings can never be felt by the intellect of man, and their meaning can be only guessed about by reason. The self-
realization of saints can only be felt and understood by those who have meditated and
developed self-realization. The detailed knowledge of the heavens as understood by great
astronomers through study and the use of telescopes cannot be possessed by a layman.
Likewise, what the wise men know about Truth and Spirit through the medium of their
clarifying telescopic intuition only can be known by ordinary individuals when they have
developed their vision and used their developed telescopic intuition hidden in the chamber
of their souls.

“And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, ‘Blessed be ye poor: for yours is
the kingdom of God. Blessed are ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed are ye
that weep now: for ye shall laugh. Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when
they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your
name as evil, for the Son of man’s sake, Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for,
behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the
prophets’.”

(Luke 6:20-23)

Jesus meant: “O ye souls who have become materially poor to help others and who,
although poor, are seeking not riches but God, ye are blessed for you poverty. Instead of
poverty being a hindrance, it will serve as a stimulus to seek the kingdom of all-sufficient
God, who will relieve you from want through eternity. Blessed are you who are in want and
seek God to relieve your wants.”

Blessed Disciples

“Blessed are you that are spiritually hungry now, for you shall find spiritual wisdom
and ever-new bliss, to be satisfied forever. Blessed are you that cry for God-realization
now, for you shall laugh and be blessed through eternity, being entertained by the attained
eternal ever-new joy of meditation. Blessed are you when for the sake of following the son
of man (the Christlike guru-preceptor, the embodiment of God) men shall hate you and
separate you from their company and reproach you and cast out your name as evil. All of
you are blessed who prefer to follow a God-tuned guru-preceptor in preference to evil
people.

“Blessed you are thereby when evil people by their hate and ostracism keep your
soul away from the influence of evil. Blessed are all those who are scolded for being good,
for the unjust criticism will enthuse the disciple all the more to follow the ways of peace
instead of misery-making evil. Blessed are you when men shall cast out your name as evil
for not tuning in with their evil ways, for you shall go into the admiring ever-new
consciousness of God.

“But remember, to be hated, ostracized, reproached or cast out for being evil is evil,
but when you are persecuted for the sake of truth as manifested in the Christ body of
Jesus, then you will be free. Rejoice ye in that day and leap and vibrate with ever-new joy,
for behold, those that will toil and labor and accept pain to follow the divine way, according
to the law of karma or action, will be rewarded in heaven, or the inner world, with eternal
bliss.
“Those that persecute you are the children of those who persecuted the prophets. Think to what great evil those forefathers came, and think what reward in heaven the prophets received from God for being persecuted in His name’s sake.”

“‘But woe unto you that are rich! For ye have received your consolation. Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep. Woe unto you when all men shall speak well of you! For so did their fathers to the false prophets.’”

(Luke 6:24-26)

Attachment to Riches

Jesus meant: “But physical, mental and spiritual woe unto you that attached to your material riches and are foolishly so satisfied as not to seek the all-misery-quenching truth.”

Jesus had some rich followers. He did not condemn the possession of riches but the attachment to those possessions and the selfish holding-on to them without sharing with others who were more needy. There are many rich people who think they have everything, even though they may be on the brink of a terrible disease, material loss or death. To be foolishly satisfied with riches is to cease seeking for the all-satisfying truth. To be satisfied with riches gives one the false consolation that he has everything, whereas he really has very little and even that is only given to him for use and is instantly taken away at the time of death. To possess riches and to be attached to them often makes one callous to other’s sufferings and gives one a false sense of security. Riches cannot prevent the advent of certain diseases or catastrophies or death. Hence the false satisfaction with possessions and riches must be discarded.

Jesus goes on to say: “Beware of riches, that they do not act as an opiate to deaden the desire for God, Who alone can give that eternal satisfaction and security which riches cannot. Remember that riches fulfill only a few material needs. Riches are good only when they are used to procure necessities for needy individuals. That is why you should be warned against the false security of riches. Woe unto you who think your inner hunger is satisfied with the possession of riches, for some day after death, or through loss before death, you will see that money cannot give you the security which you thought it could, and you will be hungry again for truth and will be pestered with helplessness and innumerable wants. Woe unto you who are smiling with material pleasure, for that will be short-lasting and then you will moan and weep that you spent your time pursuing evanescent material pleasure, whereas you should have spent your time in seeking the lasting pleasures of the soul.”

Duties Must Harmonize

“It is not that you should not laugh at all. But your material pleasures must not counteract your desire for spiritual pleasures, and your material pleasures must be governed by spiritual pleasures. The Sanskrit Scriptures says that a duty, when it contradicts another duty, is not a duty at all. For example, health culture should not be carried to such extremes that it takes away the desire for spiritual or intellectual culture or
vice versa. All duties must harmonize with one another. The highest duty to God should come first and then the other duties should follow harmoniously. The first and highest duty of man is to meditate upon the Divine Bliss. The second duty is to develop health, the third duty is to develop intellectual culture, and the fourth duty is to meet material needs. Another duty is to acquire material, mental, intellectual and spiritual powers so that one can share them with the needy children of God.”

Law of Relativity

“Woe unto you who are steeped in material pleasures, for when the intoxication of sense-pleasures vanish, your heart will be filled with satiety and you will all the more feel the contrast of your state of satiety with your lost pleasure. It is a psychological fact that pleasure is born of a desire fulfilled and pain is born of a desire unfulfilled. Both are crests of waves. Man is constantly tossing on the crest of the waves of pleasure and pain and indifference. In between the two crests of the waves of mental pain and pleasure is the hollow of the state of indifference. Man must still the waves of pleasures, pain and indifference on the lake of his mind so that on the quiet waters of inner being he can see the undistorted reflection of the mooned face of the soul. He who rides on the crest of material pleasure must also invariably ride on the crest of pain, since relativity is the law of the physical world. Those who float on the still waters of peace never have to undergo pain.”

Worldly Judgment

“Woe unto you when all worldly men speak well of you, that you are satisfied with material riches and worldly life. That satisfaction drowns your conscience and the power of judgment by which you can recognize your folly of relying on riches and worldly pleasure. Evil people naturally praise others who glorify and prosper in evil. Worldly people praise those that are engrossed in riches and forget God. Fanatics praise false prophets. All these are steeped in error and ignorance. The fanatics who follow false prophets fall into the same pit of error, like one blind man following another. Those that praise the false prophets, and the false prophets as well, fall into the pit of ignorance. Praise, when it blinds a person so that he does not recognize his faults, is harmful. When praise over-estimates the good in a man, it is pernicious. When praise correctly estimates one’s virtues and inspires him to be more virtuous, it is good. It should be remembered that praise does not make anyone better and blame does not make anyone less than what he is in reality. Blame, if it spurs one to correct himself, is good; and praise, when it injects a greater enthusiasm to be worthy, is beneficial.”

“BUT I SAY UNTO YOU WHICH HEAR, LOVE YOUR ENEMIES, DO GOOD TO THEM WHICH HATE YOU, BLESS THEM THAT CURSE YOU, AND PRAY FOR THEM WHICH DESPITEFULLY USE YOU. AND UNTO HIM THAT SMITETH THEE ON THE ONE CHEEK OFFER ALSO THE OTHER; AND HIM THAT TAKETH AWAY THY CLOKE FORBID NOT TO TAKE THY COAT ALSO.”

(Luke 6:27-29)

Jesus meant: “But I say the words of wisdom unto those that are sincerely listening to me, love those that consider themselves to be your enemies, for they are your brothers.
Both you and your enemies are the children of God. Hence you must not consider yourself an enemy to those who, under the influence of passion, think they are your enemies. Due to the intoxication of hatred and anger, they forget that all human beings are made in the image of God and are brothers. Such people eclipse the divine image in them. So you must not allow yourself to be drunk with anger and delusion so that you also lose the consciousness of divinity within you.

“Those that are your enemies burn themselves with hatred and anger, forgetting their inner peace. Why should you by imitating them likewise burn yourself with wrath and lose your inner equanimity? Do not let anybody steal your peace which offers absolute protection to your entire life.”

Love Your Enemies

“There are two reasons why you should love your enemies – (1) because your so-called enemies are your own brothers, sons of the One Father, and you do not want to forget, by impulsively responding to others’ emotions, that you are a child of God and a brother of your so-called enemy, (2) by hating your enemies you forget the divinity within you as well as increase the error in your enemy by making him more angry. By hatred, you do not want to intensify the error in your enemy, but by love to make him remember the forgotten God-love within him. Remind him of the God-love within you which you are ready to share, due to this relation of brotherhood.

“Do good to them who hate you, for hate will only bring more hate to you, while the water of good may quench the fire of hate in your enemy. Above all, by hating those that hate you, you harbor the misery of hatred within you and poison your inner life of peace. If you do good to those that hate you, they might see their error and cease to hate you. Those that hate you, you should not only mentally love but actually do good to them, that they may realize that you are trying to remind them of the relation of divine brotherhood existing between you. The poison of hate increases by hatred and can be counteracted and neutralized only by the chemical of love.

“Bless them that curse you – that is, wish evil for you – for they might observe your example and change their attitude. If, as often as anyone wishes you evil, so often you wish him good, he cannot long retain his evil attitude against you. When anybody hates you, ordinarily you may think that by hating him you will stop his hatred, but you cannot do so, for even if your enemy is weaker than you are, and outwardly fears you, he will inwardly hate you all the more.”

Healing of Hatred

“The only way to heal the malady of hatred in a mistaken brother is to continuously use the salve of your love. The divine way of conquering hatred is the only way. For those that despitefully use you, pray to God that they may be forgiven and freed from suffering the otherwise inevitable results arising from their evil actions. If you pray to God for those that hate you, God will recognize your nobility in trying to rescue you brother fallen into the pit of hatred, and reward you with divine wisdom and love. By praying for those that hate you, you not only use your own loving attitude but reinforce that with God’s power to heal those error-stricken brothers who are suffering from hatred.
“He who strikes you on one cheek, let him strike you on the other also. If you can do so you will reject the virus of hatred from your angry brother and prevent that virus of disquieting emotion from entering within you.

“It may seem ridiculous to allow a second blow after receiving one slap. It is true that it is better to have courage to strike your enemy than to forgive him through fear. But if you have the courage to slap your brother and yet do not, because you love him, or if you let him strike you again because you want to heal him by your love, then you possess a great spiritual power of divine love. If anybody is angry with you, just say, ‘I am too comfortable to be angry with him.’ If anybody strikes you once and wants to repeat it, say unto yourself, ‘I am too comfortable to be ruffled by two slaps or more. I will not disturb my peace within.’ When, by your spiritual example and adamant determination to save your peace from the robbers of disquietude, you can maintain your ideal personality, then you would be a towering example of truth before the eyes of others.”

Strength of Self-Control

“To let others smite your cheek a second time is not advised to develop you into a mental or moral weakling, but to instill in you a greater strength of self-control gained by overcoming the impulse of acting under the influence of the spirit of revenge. It is easy to slap back when anybody hits you but it requires a greater mental strength not to strike back.”

Practical Sympathy

“And he that takes away your overcoat, do not prevent him from taking your coat also. This may seem like very impractical advice in the modern world. The meaning is that a spiritual man of high order feels no loss when he parts with his overcoat for someone in need, or when he is asked to part with his coat after parting with his overcoat. The spiritual man who sees God not only in his own body but in the bodies of the poor and afflicted finds equal enjoyment when he takes off his overcoat and coat from his one body and puts them on another one of his bodies. The spiritual man who is one with God sees himself as the Self of all; sees himself in his own body as well as in the bodies of others. When such a divine person takes off his own coat and overcoat from his one body and gives them for the use of another body in whom he sees God, he feels by this action that he has not lost anything but that he has done this for himself, only in another body, just as one transfers a ring from one finger to another.

“In giving the overcoat and coat, one must use discrimination. But to give your own things to those that need those things more than you do, is good. You must learn to clothe other bodies as you do your own, with equal pleasure, that you may know that your Self is present in the bodies of others. Practical sympathy dispels the darkness of separation and is the light by which you can see all hearts tied with one golden cord of divine love. And that God throbs in all hearts, suffering in the afflicted, rejoicing in those that are whole.”
BUILD YOUR HOUSE OF CONSCIOUSNESS
ON THE ROCK OF IMMORTALITY

“And he spake a parable unto them, ‘Can the blind lead the blind? Shall they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?’”

(Luke 6:39-41)

Those that are physically and mentally or spiritually blind, if they try to lead others who are like them, all will fall into the same ditch of physical, or mental, or spiritual suffering. The disciple who has studied for some time with a master does not all at once become like the master. A master is he who has perfectly acquired the art of contacting God. When a disciple can also completely contact God he becomes like the master. But an advanced disciple just the same always gives respect to his master who has been the portal to freedom and a messenger of God. Jesus honored John the Baptist as the guru of his past incarnations even though Jesus had become more advanced than John the Baptist.

“Know Thyself”

It is unprofitable act for a man to go on beholding the defects or blindness of spiritual vision of others when he himself is spiritually blind. It is a waste of time to uselessly spend his time measuring the spiritual defects of others when he could very well profitably spend it in correcting his own faults. Those that spend their time criticizing others have no time for criticizing their own faults. This mistake is indulged in by people of all walks of life. There are some people who are angry themselves but cannot stand anger in others. Some people are greedy themselves but cannot stand greed in others. Some people gossip about others but cannot stand being gossiped about. Some people have very bad social manners yet they never recognize that fact in themselves. Some people criticize others about certain faults which they themselves possess plentifully.

So it is a psychological and metaphysical error to spend our time in pointing out the mental dirt in other souls when we ought to spend our time in cleaning out the inner dirt residing within the mansion of our own soul. How can we say to our brother, “I know the art of pulling out ignorance from your soul,” when we have not pulled out our own ignorance? Dispelling ignorance is not an easy job. It requires practical experience and practical living of the life. If we are not a jeweler how can we teach others to distinguish between good and bad jewels or detect imitation jewels mixed up with good jewels? So, if we are not a divine jeweler how can we teach others to distinguish between ignorance and wisdom? To pull out ignorance from others’ souls presupposes that we have pulled ignorance out from our soul first.
Avoid Hypocrisy

Therefore we are a hypocrite, insincere in our actions, if with our vision befogged by ignorance, we try with that blurred inner vision to heal others suffering from inner blindness. Whenever we think that we are not progressing spiritually and that we are wasting time meditating, then reflect, that by being able to sleep we forget all the dualities and miseries of physical existence, indeed, the whole world vanishes into the invisible vastness; so if we could produce conscious ecstasy and samadhi at will, we will be able at the time of misery and death to be conscious of the vast kingdom of bliss which remains locked up hidden behind our state of wakefulness and subconscious state, even as the all-misery quelling sleep remains hidden behind our conscious mind.

We have learned to sleep but have not learned to be in ecstasy which is far more enjoyable than sleep, and which can constantly show us that matter is the frozen imagination of God, as sleep shows us that dreams and nightmares are our own frozen imagination. A dreaming person can never know that a nightmare is a nightmare unless he wakes up. So also, unless we wake up in the land of ecstasy and become one with God and awake in God, we cannot realize that this universe is a frozen imagination of God or the dream of God which can be dispersed only by our awakening in Spirit and by samadhi.

When we are engrossed in watching a tragedy scene in a motion picture we almost begin to feel the reality of the picture, and the seemingly real material nature of the motion picture becomes strong upon our consciousness. But suddenly when we are troubled by a particular scene of cruelty in the motion picture or a catastrophe like the burning of a city, if we look up suddenly from the picture to the beam falling upon the screen, and if we closely watch the figures in motion on the screen, we realize that all the solids, liquids, human beings and misery are nothing but the different vibrations of the electric current, and that all the human beings, scenes and material things in this picture are nothing but different manifestations of electric current.

Seeing God Dreaming This Cosmic Dream

Likewise, the materially-engrossed individual beholds rain, sunshine, property, change of weather, birth, death, marriage as material facts. But when this individual wakes up into the consciousness of God through constant ecstasy or union with God then he begins to see a light trembling in all matter. He sees that all matter with solids, liquids, gaseous substances, with human life and thought, is nothing but the different vibrations of that all-pervading, quivering light of God. By further development one can actually see God dreaming this Cosmic Dream.

In a motion picture house while a picture is playing, one person can concentrate on the beam falling on the screen and another might concentrate on the pictures on the screen. These two individuals of course would have two different experiences. The man concentrating on the beam which causes the materialization of the pictures on the screen would see only a beam of light without any pictures and the man concentrating on the pictures would see the pictures without the sight of the pictureless beam.

Likewise, a person concentrating on matter will see only material objects and a person concentrating on God’s light would see God. And a man sitting in the motion picture house can once in a while look at the pictureless beam falling on the screen as well as the pictures on the screen. So likewise, the man who has highest Nirbikalpa Samadhi can see the great light of Cosmic Energy which is coming from God and falling on the vast space
creating the pictures of planetary stellar universes as well as the motion picture of this universe. Such a divine man and advanced individual can see the pictureless cosmic energy as well as the motion picture of the universe emanating from it.

“"For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit: neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. FOR EVERY TREE IS KNOWN BY HIS OWN FRUIT. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: FOR OUT OF THE ABUNDANCE OF THE HEART HIS MOUTH SPEAKETH."

(Luke 6:43-45)

The Physical Nervous System

A human being is composed of three kinds of trees, (1) the physical nervous system with its roots in the brain and the trunk in the spine (the cerebro-spinal axis) and efferent and afferent nerves branching out from it as the branches, and the senses and sensations at the end of the nerve branches as the fruits.

This human tree of nerves yields good or bad sensations according to the nature of the individual who owns this tree of nervous system. When an individual administers the water of poisonous thoughts at the root of this tree of life in the brain he produces fruits of evil sensations hanging from the branches of different nerves. That is, when a person feeds his brain with evil thoughts those thoughts create desire for evil sensations, and the end of the optical branch nerves or the auditory branch nervous system becomes laden with fruits of evil sensations in the form of desires to listen to words of flattery or words of evil. Likewise the tactual and olfactory and gustatory nerves are laden with the fruits of sensual desire and sensations of greed.

That is why it must be remembered that a brain that is fed with good thoughts creates a good tree of life with good habits and cravings for good sensations. Every tree of life has its roots in the soil of Cosmic Consciousness and as such the human nervous system was originally made to attract and enjoy good sensations. But man, through his freedom of will, has converted this tree of life into a bearer of fruits of evil sensations. Once a nervous system is changed so that it produces for evil sensations, it is very hard to change it. For the good nervous system will not produce fruits of desire for evil sensations nor an evil tree of life produce the fruits in the form of desires for good sensations.

Besides this physical tree of life man is fitted with two other trees – the astral tree of life and the tree of consciousness.

The Astral Tree of Life

With the Astral Powers

(2) The astral tree of life has its roots as the thousand petaled rays in the brain. The sushumna cerebral current is the trunk of this tree of life and the fine currents branched out through the nervous system are the astral branches. This astral tree of life, being fed by Cosmic Energy, usually produces fruits of fine inner perception which the advanced devotee can pluck and enjoy. As a person cannot enjoy the fruits of a mango tree hidden in
a garden, so a person or a devotee who has not seen this astral tree of life with the light of ecstasy cannot possibly enjoy its fruits of fine perceptions. Some of the fruits of this astral tree of life consist in possession of miraculous powers of seeing visions which are true to life and of listening to sounds beyond the reach of human ears, of feeling touch sensations of the bodies of others, of smelling astral fragrance, of astral taste, of possessing the power to dislodge the astral body from the physical body, of lengthening or shortening the astral body. Behind this tree of astral life is the tree of consciousness.

Tree of Consciousness

(3) The ordinary tree of consciousness has its roots in the intelligence in the brain. Its trunk consists of the mind and its branches consist of reason, will and feeling. It bears fruits of evil and good desires. When one feeds this tree of consciousness with the water of intuition springing from the foundation of meditation then this tree of consciousness becomes entirely a good tree bearing only fruits of good desires. Hidden beneath these three trees of the physical nervous system, of astral life, and of consciousness, is the tree of Superconsciousness.

Tree of Superconsciousness

The tree of superconsciousness has its roots in Cosmic Consciousness. Its trunk consists of superconsciousness and its branches consist of superconscious perception, subconscious perception and conscious perception. This tree of superconsciousness when perceived will be found to bear fruits of superconscious intuition and of subconscious spiritual dreams and fruits of good sensations. God can be spoken of as the root and the Cosmic Energy can be spoken of as the trunk and all rays shooting out of this Cosmic Energy for the creation of universes can be called the branches. The worlds and universes of astral and physical constitution can be spoken of as the fruits of the tree of Cosmic Consciousness.

God originally planned that this tree of Cosmic Consciousness should only bear fruits of good vibrations, but Satan put some poison sap of his evil desires in this tree of Cosmic Energy. That is why we find collisions, earthquakes, dissolutions of planetary systems, and so forth.

Speech Is Our Index

When Jesus said, “Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh,” he meant that speech is the index to the contents of the heart. The vibrations of an individual’s speech, no matter how dressed up with polished language, contains the vibration of his inner tendencies buried in the heart. Hence, in the tone and vibration of a man’s voice we find the echo of his heart experiences. A bad man may imitate the voice of a good man, but his evil heart will certainly vibrate in his pretending voice. So, we must remember that the vibrations of our heart reverberate in the vibration of the voice. Through the tone of the voice of an individual and its vibrating mildness or harshness we can recognize the nature of his hidden heart. The whole history of an individual as to how he lives his life within himself and his family is revealed in his voice. Also the postnatal and prenatal story of one’s
life is written in the eyes of an individual. Those that cannot detect other’s lives through their eyes can, by the perception of calmness, detect the evil or good hidden in the nature of an individual’s voice.

“And why call ye me, ‘Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built a house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon the house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.’

“But he that heareth and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth: against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell: and the ruin of that house was great.”

(Luke 6:46-49)

Jesus spoke: “And why call ye me Christ Intelligence, the Lord of all creation, without knowing how I manifest myself in creation and in your consciousness? Because you call me Christ but do not feel my presence in your consciousness, is why you do not lead your life as I say unto you or as my consciousness signifies by its Christ vibrations beneath your superconsciousness. When you will be able to feel my Christ consciousness by awakening your superconsciousness then you will do the things which I signify through your inner perception, but not before.”

House of Consciousness

“Whosoever, forsaking the slums of matter and sensations, cometh to me hidden in the temple of superconsciousness, can listen to the silent vibrations of my inner being, and accordingly his nervous system automatically acts according to the perceptions of the inner divine impulses. He is a soul who builds his house of consciousness not on the foundations of passing pleasures but who digs deep with the pickaxe of meditation and God to the unshakable rock of intuitive knowledge, building his house of bliss on the everlasting rock of cosmic consciousness. And when the flood of ignorance comes in life or in the after-death state in all its vehemence and impetuosity, the house of cosmic perception and intuitive understanding built on the rock of God consciousness is unshaken. That soul who overcomes material desires and has built his house of cosmic consciousness, will not be carried away by the flood of reincarnation-producing desires. The soul who has built his consciousness on the rock of God consciousness shall not lose his consciousness in death or life but will forever be housed in immortality.

“But that devotee who hears the voice of his inner consciousness and inner perception but does not act according to those inner impulses is a man who has built his consciousness on the foundations of earthly habits. When temptations will come to him, his house of self-control will break and he will be swept away by the tide of ignorance and his temporary house of spiritual discipline will be devastated.”
NO MIRACLES CAN BE PERFORMED
WITHOUT GOD-CONSCIOUSNESS,
HENCE THE FOOLISHNESS OF EGOTISM

“Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his
disciples, and said unto them, ‘Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?’
Jesus answered and said unto them, ‘Go and show John again those things which ye do
hear and see:

“‘The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the
deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And
blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.’”

(Matthew 11:2-6)

Jesus says, “Go back and tell John Baptist of all you have seen and heard about the
demonstrations of God through me – how the physically and spiritually blind receive
physical or spiritual inner sight, and the lame walk; physical, moral and spiritual lepers are
healed and cleansed by wisdom; the physically deaf get back their hearing; the spiritually
deaf hear the voice of wisdom; the physically dead are made alive again through cosmic
energy; the spiritually dead are renovated by wisdom and spiritual baptism, and the poor in
spirit receive the living contact of God wisdom and God vibration.”

(Gospel signifies God’s spell or God’s vibration.)

God never speaks to anyone except His devotees. Of course He can speak through
a human form to the devotee but He usually speaks through intelligent vibrations appearing
as sounds in the ether, or God vibrates His wisdom through the intuition of the devotee.

Jesus speaks of his message vibrating with God-consciousness. No one can preach
God-vibrating truth unless he feels it within himself. Ordinary spiritual teachers preach and
speak about truth through book-learning, but Masters like Jesus speak of the truth which
they feel within their consciousness.

“Not My Own Glory”

“And blessed is he who does not find fault with me by accusing me of egotism that I
perform miracles to extol my own glory. Blessed is he who instead will appreciate the
demonstrations of spiritual miracles which I perform through the sanction and will of God to
bring other deluded souls unto Him.”

Miracles performed by semi-developed souls might delude them, as they begin to be
spoiled by the laudation of admirers, forgetting to give the glory and the praise to God
alone. No miracles can be performed without God-consciousness, so it foolish to seek self-
laudation. The devotee in the course of his higher spiritual development receives the gift of
miracles, but to use miracles without the sanction of God is sin and involves spiritual
degradation.
Jesus realized that usually the display of miracles might be a divine offense, but whosoever recognized that he was performing miracles to declare the glory of God was blessed, for he would receive divine realization.

John The Baptist

“And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John: ‘What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that wear soft clothing are in king’s houses. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.’”

(Matthew 11:7-10)

Jesus asked the people, many of whom were followers of John and visited him in the wilderness:

“What went you out into the wilderness to seek? Not a man clothed with soft gorgeous silk garments, but John the Baptist dressed only in skins. But he is a divine reed vibrating with the wind of God. Surely you did not go to seek a gorgously dressed man of political authority who could be found in a king’s court, but you went to see in the wilderness a man of greater spiritual authority than those in earthly courts of kings. Yea, you went to see a prophet who declares God. But he is greater than an ordinary prophet for he is a special prophet ordained to be my preceptor in a former incarnation and also to perform a great part in the divine plan in that he was to come on earth at this time to declare the son of God in me.”

That is why Jesus quotes from the Scriptures,

“‘Behold I (God) send my messenger (John the Baptist) before thy face (in advance of thee) which shall prepare thy way before thee (and it is ordained that my divine messenger John shall make the minds of the people recognize the Christ in thee, O my son Jesus.)’”

“‘Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.’”

(Mark 1:2 and Malachi 3:1)

Even though God has given independence of all creation, yet in this Satan-disordered cosmos God has certain plans to work out to defeat the influence of Satan and re-establish His kingdom. Prophets from time to time declare the will of God: hence Jesus quotes that it was ordained by God long before, as expressed in the Scriptures, that John the Baptist was to declare Jesus Christ. The Guru-Preceptor was to introduce his Disciple Jesus to the world.

“‘Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater prophet than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of
**Matthew 11:11-15**

> Verily I say unto you all that among those that are born of flesh there have been none greater than John the Baptist, for he has been selected to baptize Christ Jesus, reformer of world cycle.

Jesus was again and again emphasizing the greatness of John the Baptist and all that he had been in a previous incarnation (as Elijah) and all that he was to perform in connection with him (Jesus).

**“The Least in Heaven”**

> Nevertheless anyone who has attained final emancipation in the least possible way in the kingdom of heaven is greater that John the Baptist.

Jesus here is distinguishing between John the Baptist's self-realization in earth life and the self-realization of even the least individual soul who is finally liberated in the kingdom of God.

> “And from the time preceding John the Baptist until now, or until this present time and all future times the kingdom of God suffereth violence (allows itself to be seized by violent will and determination.)” Jesus says with the great Yogi Patanjali that the violently determined devotees get salvation and the heavenly blissful state by throwing their vision, life force and concentration on God. “And the violent take it by force” signifies that a soul who deeply, intensely and continuously meditates, being guided by a proper yogi-preceptor, knows how to quickly and forcefully release his life from the body and allow it to join the cosmic energy present in all space. This releases the soul from the bodily prison and unites it with its cosmic home in all space. Patanjali specially emphasizes that those that are very eager to know God and meditate deeply, quickly unite with Spirit. The above law that the heavenly kingdom can be attained quickly by spiritually eager people is manifested in the life of John the Baptist who seized the kingdom of God by the violence of his will.

**Old Testament Prophets**

The Old Testament prophets or seers who revealed the will of God, and the law – that is, the plan of God as worked out in creation and revealed through the Scriptures, prophesied about spiritual happenings until some of that prophecy was actually fulfilled in the life of John the Baptist who was to be seen on earth according to divine plans, and as that plan had been foretold by the prophets.

Then Jesus speaks and explains how John the Baptist’s life was no fortuitous happening, but occasioned according to divine plan. Then Jesus say’s “all those that have power of vision to receive and understand the truth about the prophesy of John the Baptist’s coming, let them realize that he is none other than Elias (Elijah) of a former incarnation.”
Jesus here definitely points out that reincarnation alone explains how souls are taken by death and leave the shores of life without attaining salvation can again strive and attain final emancipation through many human incarnations. Reincarnation means that when a soul leaves a body in an undeveloped state it must come back into another body in earth life to finish its spiritual development and regain the consciousness of its lost identity with God. Jesus clearly points out that the soul of Elias had entered the body of John the Baptist because it had not reached final emancipation and because it had to perform certain activities according to the divine plan in connection with the life of Jesus.

“He that hath spiritual ears to hear and feel the vibration of truth, let them hear or realize the truth behind my words.”

Spiritual Hearing

Most of the people who heard Jesus justified the action of God because they were baptized or spiritually prepared by John the Baptist. But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the advice of God coming through Jesus, even though this counsel was given for their own good, because they were not baptized or prepared by John.

"But whereunto then shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows, And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.

"For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He hath a devil.' The Son of man came eating and drinking: and they say, 'Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners.' But wisdom is justified of her children.”

(Matthew 11:16-19)

Jesus said the men of this generation are like ignorant children who sit idly in a market place, neither buying anything nor busy with joyous play, nor repenting for whiling away the time uselessly. What Jesus meant is this – that the world is a market place where people buy with their labors material or spiritual things. But most people are ignorant and foolish like children who come on earth and are too lazy to exhort one another to be engrossed about worthwhile things. Such people always accuse one another for their faults in not being progressive, saying, “We played the flute but you didn’t dance.” Such ignorant people, instead of being busy with spiritual things, while away their time in physical and mental laziness. Some casually mourn for whiling away life’s valuable time uselessly, while others never shed a tear for fruitlessly idling away their life.

Jesus meant that in this market place of earth, where true devotees are busy marketing spiritual qualities, some casually revel in spiritual things, while some do not rejoice in spiritual culture at all. Some mourn for not finding the truth and some never weep for not finding truth. He also signified that this earth is full of people who pass the time in accusing one another for not being spiritually progressive. That is why the Pharisees pass their time in inner idleness and indifference, accusing one another about their faults of wasting time. Being thus engrossed in foolishness, they act like ignorant children and fail to take advantage of the good brought to them by God through Jesus Christ.
Life’s Market Place

Jesus went on to say, “Ye Pharisees and lawyers who are busy whiling away your time in the market place of earth where you could find God, you are ignorant, indifferent, blind and mentally scattered so that you could not recognize the spiritual greatness of John the Baptist and the good which he could do unto you. Ye foolish people, you think he is possessed of a devil, even though he is outwardly self-controlled enough not to even eat bread or drink wine. If you can think of one who is outwardly self-controlled as being possessed of a devil, then how could you recognize the son of God hidden behind the son of man or human nature which outwardly eats and drinks? Ye think of me as a greedy man, a wine taster, and one who associates with publicans and sinners. Ye know not that all children of wisdom like me, whatever they do, even though outwardly not understood, are justified by the subtle and immutable laws of true inner wisdom.”

Jesus emphasized in his above saying that John, though he was far advanced, still was in a state of spiritual self-discipline where he had to fast and follow certain laws of physical actions, whereas he (Jesus), even though he took bread and wine, was far ahead of John the Baptist and had so attained God-consciousness that eating bread and drinking wine according to custom had no connection except with his physical nature (son of man) and did not touch his spiritual nature as manifested in him as the Son of God.

Self-Discipline

Jesus implied that John the Baptist was body-conscious so he had to follow physical discipline in spite of his inner spiritually, whereas the Son of God in Christ was completely detached from the actions of the son of man, Jesus. Jesus signified that the Pharisees and lawyers were so spiritually blind that if they could not recognize the spirituality of the outwardly disciplined John the Baptist, how could they recognize Jesus’ great spirituality hidden behind the apparently unmodified and ordinary life of the olden times? Jesus did not condemn the self-discipline of John the Baptist nor did he sanction eating and drinking without being guided by wisdom, but he only said that the spiritually blind can neither recognize the goodness of man even when he is outwardly good, nor can they recognize the deep spiritually hidden behind a simple life.

Guided by Wisdom

Jesus also supported his actions as being guided by wisdom. That is, whatever he was doing was guided by true intuitive wisdom only. Jesus ate and drank to be sociable to publicans and sinners and to make them feel he was one with them. By doing so, Jesus could closely associate with the sinners or error-makers who needed him and whom he could help because of their confidence in him as being one of them. If Jesus took up a belligerent attitude denouncing all social activities, he would have been shunned by all, and it would have been impossible for him to do good to all. Jesus knew that his eating or drinking would not harm him or anyone, and that the closeness of his magnetic personality with the sinners would redeem them from their errors. Jesus knew that his eating or drinking was not important, but it was a paramount necessity for him to associate with sinners by apparently becoming one of them and sympathizing with them.
“Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein more of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:

“Woe unto thee, Chorazin! Woe unto thee, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.

“And thou, Capernaum, which are exalted unto heaven, shall be brought down to hell: For if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable for the Land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.”

(Matthew 11:20-24)

“O ye inhabitants of Chorazin and Bethsaida, you have seen the mighty works of God’s hidden power, but you have not profited enough to change your ways, even though you witnessed spiritual demonstrations and saw what they could do to you. Your unreceptive mental attitude will ultimately lead you to follow the paths of evil and fall into its pits of misery. Even the people of ancient Tyre and Sidon would have been more receptive if they had witnessed such divine demonstrations; they would have deeply repented their evil ways by going through penance of wearing sackcloth and putting on ashes. I prophesy unto you that when I will leave this body and am in my Christ Consciousness I shall joyously watch the souls of the dead inhabitants of Tyre and Sidon lifted to a higher region of vibratory existence.”

What Is the Day of Judgment?

The day of judgment is not fixed by the gods at certain period but it consist usually of the period after death when disembodied souls receive the judgment or fruits of actions according to the accumulated actions of their previous lives. The day of judgment, therefore, is a time after death when souls, according to their individual karmas, receive judgment according to the cosmic law as to what kind of rebirth or spiritual promotion they should have on earth or another higher sphere of existence.

“And that is why I know and can foretell to you, O inhabitants of Chorazin and Bethsaida, that because of your spiritual indifference you will reap evil fruits on the day of judgment of your karmas after death, for even the inhabitants of Tyre and Sidon, due to their less wicked ways of living, on the day of judgment of their karmas will reap better results. My consciousness – which is omniscient, perpetual and uninterrupted by death – now sees all that will happen in the future to you all. I prophesy that I surely shall grieve on your day of judgment for your folly, O ye inhabitants of Chorazin and Bethsaida.”

Jesus speaks concerning Capernaum (his stated abode during his public life – thus the most favored city) as to how she will suffer in the future and also says that its inhabitants are very blind and unappreciative of the spiritual demonstrations they had seen. He says that if the inhabitants of Sodom had seen such demonstrations they would have a better state now and hereafter than Capernaum, who was “exalted unto heaven” by being the scene of many of Christ’s miracles, but who failed to appreciate her honor.
WHAT IS SIN? HOW MAY IT BE FORGIVEN?
IS IT POSSIBLE FOR ANYONE
TO “FORGIVE THE SINS” OF ANOTHER?

"And Jesus answering said unto him, ‘Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee.’ And he saith, ‘Master say on.’

"There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me, therefore, which of them will love him most?’ Simon answered and said, ‘I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most.’ And he said unto him, ‘Thou hast rightly judged.’

“And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, ‘Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head. Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss me feet. My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: BUT TO WHOM LITTLE IS FORGIVEN, THE SAME LOVETH LITTLE.’"

(Luke 7:40-47)

Every action of an individual, whether good or bad, is governed by the law of karma or the law of cause and effect. Good actions produce good results. Evil actions produce evil effects. Any evil action against society is called crime. Any evil action against the welfare of the soul is called a sin. When a criminal breaks a city ordinance he is condemned according to the laws of the city. But the governor of the state who has power over all the laws may forgive him. Likewise, the law of karma which governed the life of this sinful woman and all individuals is inscrutable in its ways and operation. But God, being all-powerful, and His saints who are tuned with Him, being also very spiritually powerful, have the strength, by the exercise of will force, to stop the fruition of evil karma in any individual.

Forgiving Sins

Only God and sons of God can completely or partially forgive the sins of an individual against his soul provided that he is very devoted and seeks forgiveness, not through supplication but through divine love. Each soul being made in the image of God, can never essentially change no matter how apparently sinful. Sin only acts like a crust which prevents the pure soul from meeting the pure Spirit. When that crust of sin is broken the soul mingles with Spirit. When a quart of sea water is sealed in a bottle and placed in the sea, the bottle keeps the water from mixing with the ocean of sea water. When the bottle is broken the sea water in the bottle becomes one with the ocean. Similarly, souls are bottled up in sin and thus prevented from contacting the omnipresent Spirit. When the bottle of sin is broken, the soul is released and becomes one with the Spirit.

Each soul is a potential child of God and has in him the full divine love. When a soul becomes sinful or follows the path of ignorance he turn away from God. When a soul
concentrates too much on sense happiness, it is sinful. That is, it forgets to find the superior happiness of ever-new bliss present in the soul and which can be tasted in meditation. One who loves sensual pleasures more than the blissful contact of meditation is a sinner against his true happiness. No matter how intense such souls have been in following material happiness, when their minds turn within and sincerely seek and finally attain happiness by meditation, they do not have to partially or completely go through the suffering linked to their previous sense attachment.

Meaning of “Sinner”

Every soul, being made in the image of God, is a child of God and as such is all powerful. Hence, when a child of God chooses to be identified with the senses or to act against his true happiness, then he is a sinner, that is, a violator of his true divine happiness. But if this sinful soul realizes that he, through dream delusion, temporarily imagined himself to be a sinner but in reality is the son of God, then he feels that overwhelming faith that he is not a sinner but a true child of God. When this faith in his true inner Self arises, then he forgets his imagination about being a sinful person and realizes that he is the true son of God.

This conviction of being a sinner is imaginary and changeable in a soul. But the latent conviction that a soul is a son of God is unchangeable and permanent even though temporarily hidden under the covering of sin. So, every soul who has faith in and love for the divinity of his soul and the all-powerful nature of God finds quick freedom from the results of all evil actions done in the past.

If a room is dark for a thousand years, the darkness cannot be driven away by beating it with a stick. But if a light is brought in, a thousand years of darkness is dispelled at once. Similarly, when a soul is in the darkness of ignorance and full of evil actions for incarnations, nevertheless, when the light of wisdom and faith in soul and God is lighted, then all the darkness resulting from the accumulated seeds of evil actions of incarnations is dispelled at once.

This sinful woman whom Jesus forgave was a potential God. In spite of her many sins she realized the potential power of God within herself and the power of Jesus which could awaken within her the God-consciousness which would release her from the necessity of reaping the results of her past actions. This is what is meant by the forgiving of sins.

Spiritual Doctor

A blind man cannot lead the blind. A sinner cannot forgive another sinner. A sinful priest cannot forgive the sins of a sinful church member. Confession to a priest who himself needs confession does no good. Confession to a real spiritual priest is good. A spiritual priest is a spiritual doctor who can diagnose the psychological defects of a confessing church member and prescribe for him the spiritual remedy.

Every individual sinning against his own happiness must seek the advice of a spiritual teacher and learn the ways by which he can be free from reaping the results of his sinful actions. Ordinary priests cannot forgive the sins of their disciples. Only extraordinary souls can do so. Great masters are known to take the results of others’ sin in their own bodies. Jesus was crucified because he absorbed the sin of his disciples and many people
within his own body. So the crucifixion of Jesus was also governed by the law of cause and effect. But even though the body of Jesus was crucified, his soul became free to unite with God. By crucifixion Jesus was able to work out the sins of the results of evil actions of his disciples and many souls in his own body and thereby offered his disciples and many others the prize of spiritual freedom.

Ordinary spiritual doctors or priests cannot forgive or free the sinful people coming to them for advice except by offering them only a spiritual prescription. Priests, if they have actual God-contact, may develop the power not only to give spiritual advice to sinners but also to impregnate them with spiritual power by which they can be free from the results of their evil actions. All good and evil actions are impinged in the brain cells and are left as evil habits in the mind. A person suffering from evil habits and evil-saturated brain cells can free himself by learning methods of meditation from spiritual teachers and practicing them regularly until his evil habit is transformed by good habits of calmness and peace, and his evil-saturated brain cells are cauterized by divine energy and charged into good-saturated brain cells.

**Impregnate with Power**

Brain cells saturated with evil thoughts are cauterized by the relaxed life force accumulating in the brain. A body-identified physical individual keeps his life force continuously identified with his muscles and senses, but a spiritual, meditative man keeps his muscles and body relaxed and his mind away from the senses so that the life force is relaxed from the sensory motor nerves and is accumulated in the brain. That is why meditation is the best way of changing the brain cells and uprooting habits from the mind.

**Cauterize Brain Cells**

A divine soul like Jesus has the power by will force to charge the brain with cosmic energy which cauterizes all the evils saturated in the mind. The woman who was forgiven of many sins through her faith, relaxed her mind from her senses and went within. When Jesus found that this sinful woman was willing to quit her identification with the senses and concentrate on the brain he stimulated the life energy gathered there with this cosmic energy and cauterized her brain cells, burning all the seeds and tendencies of sin saturated there.

So, ordinary spiritual teachers should not think it is easy to forgive the sins of their disciples. A spiritual teacher who can relax his mind from the senses and gather his energy in the brain and cauterize his brain cells through such repeated actions can show others how to do likewise. When he develops very far, by an act of will he can send the energy in the receptive and relaxed souls and heal their brain of evil habits.

Any individual, being made in the image of God, is potential divinity. But when a soul, made in the image of God, is identified with his body and sense pleasures it forgets its own divine nature. Therefore it acts against its own interest and it sins against itself. If a prince squanders all his money on his wicked, pleasure-mad friends, wining and dining them, then he sins against his own interest. Likewise, when a princely soul caters to the temporary pleasures of the body, it forgets to concentrate on the ever-lasting ever-new bliss hidden within it.
Freed by Love

God is love. Every soul, deluded or in a wicked state, is made in the image of the love of God. No matter how deeply an error-stricken soul is identified with its physical pleasures, when by meditation it greatly feels the love of God within itself, then it begins to rise above all its bad habits of being identified with sinful sense pleasures. This is what happened to this woman who loved much. The sinful woman felt the love of God greatly within herself and therefore her sins were forgiven. That is, with her own consciousness and with the help of Jesus Christ, her consciousness became free from the habits of sin or being identified with sense pleasures.

It must be strictly remembered again that only God and the great saints who understand and know the exact relation of mind, habits and the brain of individuals can change the nature of their brain cells and mind and thus can forgive them or free them from suffering the results of their own evil actions. If a person drinks virulent poison and then confesses about his sin of desiring to commit suicide to an ordinary priest, the later cannot forgive the poisoned individual from suffering the results of his sinful act against the body and thus avoid death.

If a priest cannot forgive individuals from the sins or results of bodily poisoning, how can he forgive them from the results of their mental, moral and spiritual sins? Some credulous sinners think that by confessing their sins to an ordinary priest they receive divine amnesty and freedom from suffering the results of their evil deeds. Because by confession they receive a sort of mental consolation and because they cannot see the subtle operation of the law of karma (cause and effect) governing all actions, they think they are forgiven.

Cosmic and Human Law

The operation of cosmic law in regard to human actions is different from the operation of human law. A criminal, when detected and if properly convicted, is quickly punished by the human law, but if undetected, he is able to go free. The cosmic law does not consciously punish any individual. Every individual rewards or punishes himself inasmuch as he is in tune with the cosmic law or acts against it. If a man hits his knuckles against an iron wall he is hurt not only because of the desire of the iron wall to hurt him, but because he was foolish enough to strike the iron wall.

Man is born in the image of God and the cosmic laws of harmony govern his life. But when he uses his free will to act against the harmony of his own being he causes suffering unto himself. When he is in tune with the inner harmony in the soul he rewards himself with happiness. God never punishes individuals or rewards them. They punish or reward themselves, according to the results of their evil or good actions respectively.

When a man works evil there is no conscious force in the world ready to pounce upon him and destroy him. But the seeds of his evil actions remain lodge in the brain ready to attract more evil and germinate on the soil of a favorable evil experience. Evil actions leave evil tendencies. Evil tendencies grow into evil habits and evil habits result in evil actions. This is the way a sinner punishes himself. His own tendencies go on hounding him until he becomes desperate to do more and more evil without cessation.
This cycle of evil is what is meant by eternal damnation. That is, a soul does evil over and over against his own desire. A person suffering from the results of bad habits feels so helpless that he fears he has to eternally go on through many incarnations reaping the results of evil actions. However, eternal damnation does not mean that a soul has to eternally suffer from the results of evil actions. It is only that a deep sinner helplessly goes on reaping the results of his actions so that he feels he is eternally condemned to be under the influence and in the tentacles of his evil habits. The inveterate smoker, the drunkard, the opium addict, the palate slave, the sex addict, the servants of anger, jealously – all feel that they are eternally damned because they act evilly against their desire to be good.

However, there is no evil habit however strong that cannot be broken by good company, meditation and continuous effort to adopt the antidote of a good habit to counteract the evil habit. Those that have evil habits forget that the habit was performed after a long period of time and several initiations of continuous evil actions. Likewise, when an evil habit is already formed it automatically takes away an individual’s freedom to act as he pleases.

Evil persons have to act evilly in spite of their willingness to be good, but that does not mean they can never be good. Even if evil persons are very willing to be good, they should not expect that by one or two good actions they can be free from evil. If they continue for long to do good actions and stay away from evil company and evil thoughts which stimulate evil actions, they will certainly grow good habits which in time will crowd out evil habits.

A murderer, when detected, may be executed by human law but he may go free if he is undetected. But according to cosmic law a murderer stores up murder tendencies in his brain.

A murderer is not punished by being murdered by some other individual according to the vengeance of cosmic law, as many suppose. The divine law does not work according to the tit-for-tat policy. The divine law does not work according to the eye-for-an-eye, tooth-for-a-tooth policy. A murderer, instead, stores up murder tendencies within himself and from the very time he commits murder he begins to punish himself continuously through conscience, inner terror and for failure to act according to the law, “do unto others as you would they should do unto you.”

Punishment by Conscience

A murderer knows that he would not want to be murdered and caused physical pain and the mental terrors of nonexistence. So, when he commits murder and goes scot-free, he is haunted with the thought of having acted against his conscience, committing a deed which he is unwilling to have happen to himself. This murder tendency remains within the murderer as a murder habit and the terror of being murdered himself. If the murderer does not free himself, by meditation and God-contact, or satisfy his conscience by giving himself up unto the law, then if he goes scot-free in one incarnation, in his next incarnation he will find that he is carrying within himself the bomb of a murder tendency. Under the influence of the fire of anger, his mental bomb of the murder tendency might explode into another sudden action of committing murder, wherein he, in turn, might be murdered by his
opponent. It should be understood here that the cosmic law in this case does not murder
the murderer through another individual, but the murderer, by his own evil actions, attracts
murder unto himself.

"And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven."

(Luke 7:48)

Jesus realized through the drawing or receptive power of the woman that Cosmic
Energy went out of him and entered into the body of the sinful woman, healing her sinful
habit-saturated brain cells. In the above sentence, “Thy sins are forgiven,” Jesus
emphasized that God’s energy passing through him had been the principal factor in the
healing of the woman. Jesus emphasized the seed of healing of the divine power which is
the first essential factor in the healing of an individual's physical ailment.

Seed and Soil

In his next saying, “Thy faith hath saved thee,” Jesus emphasized the soil of
conviction in the unlimited power of divine healing which is the second factor required in the
healing of physical ailments by divine power. Just as a plant grows after the seed has been
sown in the properly tilled soil, so the divine plant of healing sprouts forth when the proper
seed of divine power of God is sown by a master on the soil of a devotee’s true faith.

“And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, ‘Who is this that
forgiveth sins also?’ And he said to the woman, ‘Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.’"

(Luke 7:49-50)

Those that sat at meat with Jesus wondered who Jesus could be, that he could
forgive the sins of an individual. No doubt the people wondered about the power of Jesus,
for He was one with God and could do all wonders sanctioned by the Divine Will.

Sin-Paralyzed Will

“O woman, thy conviction in the unlimited power of divine healing charged your sin-
paralyzed will with Divine Will, causing a release of energy lodged up in the brain and
which, reinforced with the cosmic energy from me, has burned out the sinful habits lodged
in your brain cells. Now, released from the automatic reaction and compulsion of evil habits
and sense-slavery, you can be conscious of the revived peace of your soul.”

In this sentence, “Thy sins are forgiven,” is emphasized the divine power and the
power of Jesus which roused the omnipresent divine will to send the healing cosmic energy
to the brain cells of the sinful woman. And “Thy faith hath saved thee,” emphasizes the
release of the latent healing life energy in the brain cells of the sinful woman due to the
revival of her sin-paralyzed will in response to the divine will of Jesus and God.
WHAT IS BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST?
CAN AN EVIL MAN BE A HEALER?

“And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and showing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve were with him. And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils, and Joanna the wife of Chuza, Herod’s steward, and Suzanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.”

(Luke 8:1-3)

“Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb; and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw. And all the people were amazed, and said, ‘Is not this the son of David?’ But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, ‘This fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.’ And Jesus knew their thoughts.”

(Matthew 12:22-25)

Jesus, having already attained God-consciousness, not theological degrees, and having converted his consciousness into the consciousness of God in order to avoid any selfish thought, went to cities and villages preaching about the ever-new joyous state which one can attain by meditation in the kingdom of God, that is, in the state of Cosmic Consciousness. Many women were healed who were possessed of evil spirits. Women who are emotional very easily attract disembodied “tramp” souls roaming in the ether trying to possess the bodies of absent-minded souls. Mary Magdalene was relieved of seven devils – that is, seven tramp souls who possessed her body at different times.

Accusations of Priests

There was one possessed with a devil and who was blind and dumb. Jesus healed him also. All the people were amazed and said, “Is this the son of David?” Or in other words, “Does Jesus belong to a human family?” When the Pharisees and the scribes came down from Jerusalem and heard about the wonderful healings performed by Jesus they accused him of casting out devils or evil-spirits by the help of Beelzebub, the prince of the devils.

As there are various kinds of angels in the astral world due to their different kinds of self-realization attained during their earth existence, so, in the after-death state in the astral world, there are various kinds of evil souls who departed from this earth. There are petty evil spirits and powerful evil spirits among evil souls. But when souls attain their complete oneness with God they are all equal. There are no higher or lower liberated souls in God. All are equally omnipotent.

Jesus, in order to answer the accusation of the Pharisees, spoke in parables.
“Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand; and if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand? And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.”

(Matthew 12:25-28)

How can Satan, the Cosmic Evil, cast out the satanic souls whom he controlled and who were carrying out his nefarious wishes in the cosmos? If the rulers in a kingdom are divided in their activities and ideals and act contradictory, they cannot carry on their rule. It is Satan who, working on the evil karmas of individuals, sends bacteria and messengers of disease to infect them. How could Jesus use the same satanic or Beelzebub force to destroy Satan-produced diseases? This view is untenable and unreasonable.

God Is the Source Only of Good

It is similarly untenable that God, the Source of all good and Who is nothing but good, could send, in any way – no matter what the offense – disease and suffering to human beings. Therefore, all evil is the creation of Satan and not God. Good health, reason, self-control, peace, desire to meditate, every thought of welfare for the body, mind and soul come from God. And every physical, mental or spiritual ailment which infects the body of man comes from Satan. Satan is trying to torture people by evil and God is trying to redeem people by good. The life of Jesus demonstrated that truth, for, when he was cursed and abused by evil people, he did not use is divine force to destroy them. Instead, he used his love and infinite divine compassion to say, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

Jesus said that every city or house, whether it is good or evil, cannot exist if its members are divided in their aims. If there are some in the house who want to be evil and others who want to be good there are bound to be clashes and mental collisions. So Jesus said that if the Pharisees accused him of healing by Beelzebub they were wrong, for the evil force certainly does not want an individual to be free from the miseries perpetrated by evil spirits.

Similarly, if a good or bad group of people want to retain their individuality, they cannot act against their own aims. Jesus goes on to say, “If you accuse me of casting out devils by Beelzebub then the same thing must be true of other healers.

Those members belonging to your community who have healed others and cast devils must have done so by the same power as I have. Therefore, in accusing me of casting out devils by Beelzebub you are also accusing the divine, child-like wise people of your community of having cast out devils by Beelzebub. When they hear this accusation they will certainly condemn you that you maintained that devils are cast out and sickness healed by the power of Beelzebub. But if I cast out evil, disembodied souls by awakening the invisible all-flowing spiritual presence of God, then those so healed will feel in their consciousness not only release from evil spirits but the presence of the Almighty Cosmic Consciousness.”
Great Law of Unity

Jesus’ saying that every city or house divided against itself can not stand is a great law which should govern all successful households, cities, religious organizations, nations and races of people. When there is division in the family or country there is trouble, disharmony and disintegration. Harmony should be the breath of life governing all religious organizations and countries.

"Or else how can one enter into a strong man’s house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house. He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.’ Wherefore I say unto you; ‘All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.’"  
(Matthew 12:29-31)

Jesus said: “Or else how can I enter into the strong organization of Satan in the cosmos and destroy his evil works in nature and wicked influence in men unless I bind Satan by my wisdom? It is because I can consciously behold Satan and use my will against him that I able to cast out the evil spirits which possess souls. But I could not cast out Satan's agencies by the power of Satan. Satan or Beelzebub, not being with me, is against me, and I could not use his power against himself. All souls that are not in harmony with me act against my laws and suffer. Every soul who does not know how to gather wisdom by contacting me in meditation scatters his concentration in the body and remains distracted, suffering from restlessness.

“He who has interiorized his consciousness by meditation gathers wisdom and bliss with the help of my Christ Consciousness within his soul. But he who is not identified with me within his consciousness scatters it in the flesh and sense pleasures and is full of disquiet and trouble. That is why I declare the truth unto you all that all kinds of errors, physical, mental and moral, belonging to those that are identified with their bodies will be forgiven and whatever other errors they do to work unknowingly against God shall be forgiven.

“But those souls who have consciously felt the holy cosmic vibration of \textit{Aum} in meditation and deliberately ignore it or ridicule it as a physical sound, the effects resulting from their errors will not be forgiven.”

Blasphemy Against the Holy Ghost

When a soul contacts the holy vibration (as St. John heard this voice or sound like a trumpet) and feels the ever-new joy in it and then deliberately reverts to an inharmonious life, he has to suffer the consequences of his actions in the form of a corroding inner restlessness and state of mental destruction. No one can commit any blasphemy against the Holy Ghost who does not know it first as the cosmic sound heard in meditation. If, after listening to this cosmic sound, one deliberately leads an inharmonious life, he cannot be saved from reaping the result of his bad karma. A person ignoring the intuitional guidance of this cosmic sound in meditation has to work out his own karma of an inharmonious life and distracted mind.
All kinds of physical and mental errors can be dispelled or their fruition modified with the help of great souls but no one can remove the restlessness of a distracted devotee who blasphemess against this perception of cosmic vibration and bliss. By deliberate deeper acts of meditation he must remove his restlessness in order to regain his bliss consciousness and vibratory contact of God or Holy Ghost. It is clearly evident that all kinds of errors performed by individuals can be more or less destroyed by their own efforts and the blessings of great masters, but no master can give a soul the contact of Cosmic Vibration and joy of meditation unless he forsakes his restlessness by his own effort of will. This is what is meant by blasphemy against the Holy Ghost not being forgiven. Those that blasphemy against seeking the vibratory contact of God cannot be forgiven by anybody else but must make their own effort to regain the contact of Holy Spirit by deep meditation.

"AND WHOSOEVER SPEAKETH A WORD AGAINST THE SON OF MAN IT SHALL BE FORGIVEN HIM: BUT WHOSOEVER SPEAKETH AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST, IT SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN HIM, NEITHER IN THIS WORLD, NEITHER IN THE WORLD TO COME."

(Matthew 12:32)

Jesus said: “And whosoever uses wrong language against any son of man or any individual with a body, including Me with My body, will find forgiveness from God and the masters if he seeks it and is repentant. But anyone who contacts the Cosmic Vibration and at the same time thinks or talks evil and vibrates evilly in contradiction to the good and harmonious vibration of the Holy Ghost or Cosmic Vibration or meditation suffers from restlessness in this world and in his next incarnation. If he keeps on doing it he would form the habit of mental restlessness so deep in the soul that he would feel that he was eternally condemned to be restless and to be denied the ever-new blessed contact of holy vibration in the soul.”
THE POWER OF “PEACE, BE STILL”

“Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, ‘Let us go over unto the other side of the lake.’ And they launched forth.

“But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled with water, and were in jeopardy. And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, ‘Master, master, we perish.’ Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm. And he said unto them, ‘Where is your faith? and they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, ‘What manner of man is this! for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.’”

(Luke 8:22-25)

Jesus, although apparently asleep, inwardly was one with God. The center of an individual’s consciousness is in the conscious mind during wakefulness, the subconscious mind during sleep, and in superconsciousness during deep meditation. When an individual is concentrated in the state of wakefulness, his subconsciousness and superconsciousness remain in the background. When he is asleep, his consciousness and superconsciousness remain in the background. But a master like Jesus, whose center of consciousness is Cosmic Consciousness, no matter whether his body is awake or asleep, is always awake in Spirit, able to watch his body sleeping, or working in the state of wakefulness, even as God watches all human beings equally whether they are asleep or awake. That is why Jesus had said, “Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?” (Matt. 12:6)

Present in All Space

As God’s consciousness is omnipresent, He knows life and death, sleep and wakefulness, of all creatures present in Him, even as we know all our thoughts within our one mind. Even as a human being with his one life is conscious of the sensations of his body or of pain that may occur in any of the twenty-seven thousand billion cells of his body, so God’s consciousness, being consciously present in all space, knows everything that happens even in any one of the tiniest atoms among all the countless creations in the cosmos.

Jesus questioned his disciples’ faith because they did not realize that, even though he was asleep, his consciousness was one with the Father and was awake in the storm, in the boat, in the disciples and in everything. If the disciples had had faith in the omnipresent consciousness of Jesus, they would have known his inner consciousness would protect them even though his body apparently slept.

So Jesus said: “Why are you afraid through ignorance, and have not faith in the all-protecting omnipresent power and consciousness within me?” With the sanction of the divine will to prove his omnipresent consciousness and power of God within Him, Jesus rose and commanded the forces of nature, winds and water, and addressed the sea:
“O ye boisterous sea and wind which are governed by cosmic forces and who are created and are active according to the will of the omnipresent God, the Father with whom I am One, I command you to change your vibration and be peaceful and quiet.”

“PEACE, BE STILL”

As soon as Jesus, with his omnipresent consciousness and the omnipresent will of God within him, vibrated peace, the God-guided forces of nature immediately followed his example. It seems to ordinary persons that the wind and ocean are working by blind forces without any plan. But it is evident that the harmony in nature, the routine of seasons and the mathematics of planetary order reveal an intelligent law and cosmic plan of God which governs them. The unthinking person ascribes the law and order in this world to chance and nature, but the divine man who consciously perceives God in everything knows that everything, all planetary and stellar systems, are governed by the will of God.

Hence, Jesus, being a master, not through imagination but by self-realization being one with Spirit, had God-like powers. Even as God controls the elements of nature, Jesus, being one with Him, could control the wind and the storm.

A Miracle of My Master
Which I Witnessed

I had the blessing of witnessing the controlling of nature by my great Master, Swami Sriyukteswarji. Once in Puri during a very hot summer day, when there was not the slightest prospect of rain or clouds, I had to participate in one of my Master’s religious processions. So I went to him and remonstrated that it was almost impossible to lead the procession on the hot sands with bare feet in the city streets. The Master replied, “I will tell you a secret. Tell no one now. The Lord will send a cloud and drops of rain will cool the sand that you all may have the procession. So long as you will hold the procession God will keep the umbrella of clouds over your heads and sprinkle little drops of rain to keep your feet cool.”

To our group’s great astonishment, we noticed that as soon as we started with the religious procession the entire sky was filled with clouds as if by magic and very light rain fell, cooling off the sands in the city streets. As long as the religious procession of the Master paraded in the streets, the clouds and comforting rain continued, but as soon as the procession came back to the hermitage the sky burned with the oriental sun, the sands scorched with the extreme heat, and the clouds and rain passed away as if they had not been. The Master remarked, “Did you see how God works for us? He works for all and responds to all, but few consciously realize when God consciously responds to their prayers. God is not partial to a few devotees but responds to all if they would have faith in Him. Human children ought to have implicit faith in the omnipresent power and kindness of their one Cosmic Father.”
HOW JESUS HEALED –
THE LIFE FORCE ALONE WHICH HEALS

“And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanched. And Jesus said, ‘Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, ‘Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee, and sayest thou, ‘Who touched me?’ And Jesus said, ‘Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me.’

“And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately. And he said unto her, ‘Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole: go in peace.’”

(Luke 8:43-48)

Jesus, being conscious of his inner consciousness and of the astral world and the life force in all bodies, knew that this woman, by her will power, through her hands contacting the hem of his garment, had taken out some life force from his body into her body which like an x-ray had burned out the disease afflicting her. As a diseased person has to touch the electrodes in order to be benefitted by the current issuing from an electrical apparatus, so the woman desiring magnetic healing made a contact with the body of Jesus and reinforced her body with the subtle aura or astral current emanating from his body and surrounding it.

In every diseased human body medicine or mental healing only rouses the inert life force to effect the healing. A sick person can rouse his healing life force by his will power revived by the strong will of a healer, or the sick person may by faith draw the life force from a magnetic individual’s body and thereby rouse and reinforce his own all-healing life force to effect the healing of a sickness. That is why Jesus said, “Some subtle faith has touched my astral emanation by an astral hand and has withdrawn virtue or life force from me for healing purposes.”

When Jesus said, “VIRTUE IS GONE OUT OF ME,” he emphasized the seed of healing power that went out of him. When he said, “THY FAITH HATH MADE THEE WHOLE”, he emphasized the soil of healing. Both are necessary for the growing of the plant of healing. In the healing of the woman, Jesus is teaching to healers they must be sure of two factors in divine healing – the faith of the person desiring to be healed and the ability of the divine healer who must know how to charge himself with divine healing power by daily deep God-contact in meditation. A seed does not grow on a stone but on good ground, so the virtue or the seed of life force which went out of Jesus, being absorbed on the proper soil or faith of the woman, produced healing in her. It should be here noted that Jesus, in his own home country, with all his power, failed to heal the sickness of some people who were too material to be filled with the consciousness of God.
In order to understand the divine law of healing as used by Jesus one should acquaint himself with the science of the healing of all diseases. A disease consists of an inharmonious condition producing pain or unhappiness immediately or remotely in a living creature. Human beings are affected with three kinds of diseases which affect the body, mind and soul. The body is affected by bacteria, accidents, wounds and organic troubles; the mind of man is affected by mental bacteria of fear, anger, greed, insatiable sensuality, selfishness, jealousy and morbid tendencies producing mental discomforts and agonies. The soul diseases are produced by ignorance and cosmic delusion by which a man forgets his perfect divine nature and concentrates on his imperfect human nature.

There are various ways of healing the above three kinds of diseases. The way to destroy delusion is to meditate deeper and deeper until one has ecstatic contact of the ever-new bliss God. Ignorance can be destroyed not only by meditation but by reading true scriptures with intuitional understanding and by association with God-contacting saints. Devotion, good actions of helping oneself and others to be free from physical, mental and soul suffering, introspective discrimination of religious truths, and moral living are the bludgeons that slay delusion. Churchgoing or good company only shows that a person is interested in spiritual things but unless he actually associates with those who contact God and who can teach the technique of God-contact one can never be liberated.

One should never become hidebound in a dogmatic teaching but should find out the greatest teaching which gives Self-realization and become loyally engrossed in it. To try several paths until one finds the best spiritual path is the only way, but having found the best path and being sure it is the best path, one should loyally keep traversing it until he reaches the highest God-consciousness. One should never be satisfied with dogmatic teaching or just the spiritual assurance of others. Unless one knows that he contacts God he must keep seeking Him until he contacts Him.

All psychological diseases can be destroyed by self-analysis, attentive introspection, and by association with mentally healthy people and by trying to live their example. Concentration and meditation destroy mental diseases and corroding bad mental habits. In meditation the mind becomes interiorized and withdraws the life force from the muscles and nerves and concentrates them in the brain cells where the evil mental habits are grooved. This concentrated life energy in meditation burns out the grooves of mental habits which are lodged in the brain.

The Needle of Attention

Attention is the needle that forms the grooves of mental good or bad habits. It is by deep attention to an evil experience or good experience that a bad or good habit is formed in the brain. These good or bad habits remain in the brain like good and bad records of human experience. As ordinary phonographic records can be played by a needle, so the good and bad records in the brain grooves can be played and brought forth by the needles of attention. That is, whenever attention is given to good or bad habits they manifest themselves in mental and muscular activity. Will power and auto-suggestion from others can also destroy mental bad habits. Will power can concentrate energy in the brain grooves with healing results. Auto-suggestion is useful when a man’s will is paralyzed by the experience of continued mental disease; then he can reinforce his own will power by the suggestion of another strong will that he be healed. Auto-suggestion which is used in most
forms of healing can revive the disease-paralyzed will and send energy into the brain effecting the removal of the destructive habit lodged in the brain cells.

Mental bad habits can be destroyed by associating with those that have good mental habits. The timid should associate with the brave, the sensual with those possessing self-control, the restless with those that have meditative habits. Exercise of will power and staying away from the bad company that feed the specific bad mental habit can destroy it. As good doctors can handle chronic diseases, good mental healers can help one by auto-suggestion or transmission of energy by will through the ether. Only Christlike souls can send divine energy by will power to invade the brain of the psychologically diseased individual and by the divine energy can burn out the bad mental habits in his brain.

The Cause of Disease

It must be remembered that spiritual ignorance is the real cause of mental and physical disease. If one removes ignorance from the soul by meditation and God-contact he has automatically removed mental and physical disease from his body. That is what Jesus meant when he said, “SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD (destroy delusion) AND ALL ELSE (healing of the body, mind and soul) WILL BE ADDED UNTO YOU (will be given to you without your making special effort to achieve them).”

Psychological diseases give birth to physical diseases. In fact most physical diseases derive their roots in the mind through disease convictions. If for fifty years you have been enjoying health you think you can never be sick, but if you suddenly find yourself physically ill you think at first you will get well, but if your physical disease stays for six months you become convinced that you will never get well. It is a great psychological error to feel this way for you should use and constantly visualize the conviction of fifty years of healthful experience and health consciousness to dislodge this six month’s old conviction of disease.

All diseases can be treated in two ways – by physical methods and by mental methods. The physical method of treating disease consists of fasting or rejuvenating the Life Force. In fasting the will reverts to the Spirit and brings energy from it reinforcing the energy in the body which stimulates physical healing. Physical healing is also possible by use of chemicals and vitamins in fresh herbs which produce healing by eliminating poisons and destroying bacteria in the human blood. In fasting one should be guided by expert advice as to the method and length of time of the fast.

Use of Medicine and Food

As herbs cannot be had during all seasons extracts from them came into use. Medicines also have some healing power, just as poisons have power to destroy the body. Those who disbelieve in medicine and its effects on the human system should prove by using poison that it has no effect on their system. Any fanatical mental healer who says medicine has no effect ought to drink poison and prove its ineffectiveness on his own system. Strong iodine heals wounds but when taken internally in sufficient quantity may kill a person. Such healers should abandon food as well as medicine, for whoever eats food uses the medicinal or health-giving properties of the food.

But while I speak of the power of medicine derived from God, I must say that medicine has not that power of healing possessed by the mind if one knows how to use
that power. Those who constantly live by medicine weaken their minds and they have to
live by medicine, just as some people I have known cannot live without periodic operations.

Ultra-Violet Rays

Better than medical healing is the healing by the ultra-violet rays in the sun or ultra-
violet lamps and the knowledge of their proper use. As ocean bathing is healing, so sun
bathing is extremely important, effecting all kinds of healings. Healing by rays is very
useful, as the rays can change the atomic disorder of cells in chronic diseases. Spinal
adjustments and massages are effective and sometimes better than the treatment by
ordinary rays, for the adjustment of the spine releases obstructed Life Force which can
bring about a quicker and surer healing of physical diseases than anything else. Treatment
of cases of pneumonia have been treated very efficiently by good osteopaths and
chiropractors.

Yoga exercises also help adjustment of spinal vertebrae which releases the pressure
on the spinal nerves and brings about the normal flow of Life Force in the nervous system
which also brings about healing of many diseases. Praecepta methods of exercise directly
awaken the all-healing Life Force and teach one the quickest methods of healing disease.

The above are the different methods of healing by physical methods which more or
less stimulate the Life Force and effect the healing. Operations in certain cases
are necessary but should be avoided as much as possible. Operations may remove diseased
tissue and prevent it from affecting healthy tissue. But people should depend more on the
all-healing power of the mind, and not on artificial means such as operations.

The Mental Healer

Healing of physical diseases is made possible by stimulating the will, imagination,
emotion, or reason in the physically ailing patient. The mental healer must be a student of
deep psychology so that he can detect the nature of the patient, and must be a person of
great concentration who can exercise his own will, imagination, emotion or reason on his
patients. The advanced mental healer must treat patients according to their nature,
stimulating will in the strong-willed patients, stimulating imagination in imaginative ones and
so forth.

A true story is told, that during a fire when everybody shouted “fire” a dumb man
living in the home shouted “fire, fire” with the rest of the people and received back the lost
power of speech through the shock and excitement.

However it should be remembered that will, emotion and reason have no healing
power of themselves. They only stimulate the partially inactive Life Force in the physically
sick individual which burns the disease-making bacteria. Most mental healers use auto-
suggestion and reason to stimulate the imagination and will in their patients. As mentioned
before, the will and imagination of the healer stimulates the will and imagination of the
patient. The roused will and imagination in the patient in turn awakens his partially inactive
Life Force which in turn burns the disease-making bacteria and brings about healing.
Absent Healing

Absent healing is based on auto-suggestion. Auto-suggestion is based on rousing
the latent imagination to release the healing Life Force in the patient. Instantaneous mental
healings are caused when the healer and the person to be healed are perfectly tuned to
each other. If the healer has a strong will and imagination and the person to be healed has
faith in the healer’s ability to awaken his will or imagination then the patient will be healed
through his own awakened Life Force. The time element in healing arises when either the
healer is deficient in his healing power or the person to be healed is not properly receptive
to the healer’s healing vibrations.

Jesus and great savants healed by sending cosmic energy into the brain of the
diseased patient. The divine energy sent by a Master unites with the partially inactive brain
energy of the patient and their combination burns away disease bacteria or diseased habits
or habits of ignorance lodged in the brain almost instantaneously. The last mentioned
divine way was the method that Jesus the Christ used to heal possessed souls or the lame
or the blind. Only Masters, if they have divine permission, can by divine will force use the
cosmic energy to materialize into new body parts in the affected individual. Therefore, when
Jesus healed, he felt “virtue is gone out of me”. That is, the conscious cosmic energy which
he always felt within himself went out of him to effect the healing.

Also, whenever Jesus said, “Thy faith hath made thee whole,” he emphasized that
no matter how great the seed of healing power a healer possessed, he has to have the
necessary soil of faith of the patient in order to produce the desired healing. “Thy faith hath
made thee whole”, signifies, “Thy mental receptivity in my healing power has made it
possible to produce the desired healing.” Doubt is the static which disturbs the reception of
the vibration of healing from a great healer. A diseased individual must tune his soul, radio-
like, with faith and proper mental attitude in order to receive the broadcastings of absent or
direct healing vibrations from the healer.

Different Types of Healing

Lastly it must remembered that all methods of mental or physical healing should be
administered to people according to their mental inclinations and mental habits. Jesus said,
“PAY UNTO CAESAR WHAT BELONGS TO CAESAR,” – that is, those that believe in
medical healing, let them go to the medical healers, and those that believe in healing by the
methods of osteopath and chiropractor, let them use such methods, and those that believe
in healing by rays, let them go to those who practice healing by electricity and so forth, and
those that believe in mental healers, let them go to the mental healers, and those that
believe in the unlimited power of healing of the Masters and God, let them go to the
Masters and God.

All healers have limited power of healing. Only God has unlimited power of healing.
So, if one by deep devotion and meditation constantly tunes himself with God and with
unflinching faith goes on asking the Father’s help in spite of the invasion of undesirable
doubts, he will certainly find the desired result. But often those that are not in tune with God
can find quicker healing by being in tune with those souls and Masters who are already in
tune with God. As devotees and Masters give all their devotion to God, so also God in turn
gives unlimited power to His true devotees and Masters for healing of body, mind, and soul.
The Masters specially emphasize the healing of the soul from all ignorance. Devotees who want to be healed of ignorance should continuously and uninterruptedly believe in their *gurus* or true God-sent spirited preceptors.

**God Sends The Guru**

During the period of philosophical curiosity God sends the seeking individual ordinary teachers or brings about the study of some soul-awakening spiritual books. But when an individual is soul-bent to know God, He sends an enlightened soul or *guru* to teach the seeking devotee. Then God Himself uses the intelligence, Self-realization and teachings of the enlightened soul or *guru* to teach the seeking devotee. The seeking devotee must always be loyal to such a *guru* the God-sent messenger, throughout life and through incarnations, if necessary, until he finds redemption.

A person who learns from an ordinary teacher is called a student and a person who learns from a *guru* is called a disciple (*chela*). A disciple who faithfully learns and lives in life the teachings of a God-sent *guru*-preceptor will attract the same *guru* throughout incarnations, if necessary, until liberation is attained. That is how Jesus attracted to himself the *guru* of his former incarnation, Elijah or Elias, in the form of the reincarnated John the Baptist.

It should be emphasized again that one should never ignore any mode of healing which more or less operates according to divine law. But one must distinctly remember it is better to use mental power than physical methods of healing and it is best by faith and meditation to call into operation the unfailing, unlimited divine healing power for healing not only the body and mind but the soul. Great *gurus*, by their will power, can transmit cosmic energy into the brain of the disciples, burning out habits of ignorance of many incarnations which hound the devotee. Again it must be remembered, seek ye the method of healing soul ignorance first, and the healing of the body, mind and inner being will be automatically added unto you without any specific effort.

**Jesus’ Methods of Healing**

When Jesus healed the man who was possessed he did it by two ways. First, his consciousness being in tune with the Christ intelligence in all creation, he used the Christ will which governed all astral forces and entities, to compel the unclean spirit to leave the brain of the possessed individual. Second, he used his will power to sent the cosmic energy in the brain of the possessed individual and destroy there the habits of being possessed by the unclean spirit.

Now by the revelation of the science of various forms of healing we know how Jesus Christ worked his method of healing. Jesus used only the divine power of healing and he gave all the credit of his healings to God, as Jesus within himself did not feel the “I am” or ego-consciousness, which is born of the identification of the soul with the physical body. Even when Jesus said, “I SAY UNTO YOU, ARISE,” or become healed, he meant not the ego or “I am” consciousness within him but the unlimited God-consciousness in which his soul had become united. Unless the soul forgets “I am” or ego-consciousness born of the body, by intuitional meditation and interiorization of consciousness, it cannot be one with the Spirit.
When Jesus said, “I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE”, he did not mean by the “I” the consciousness in connection with the body, but he meant the consciousness of his mind which was born in connection with his soul, the true and perfect image of Spirit. Every devotee has to forget his physical ego-consciousness and concentrate on his soul before he can be united to the Spirit. So Jesus meant, “I (all who by meditation have attained their soul consciousness) and my Father (and the Cosmic Consciousness as I have felt through my soul consciousness) are one (are inseparable).” When an ordinary person says, “I will do this” he refers to his “I am” or ego-consciousness born of the identification with the body. The ordinary person knows that he is body and hardly feels his soul but when Jesus referred to the “I” within him he always meant the soul-consciousness united with the God-consciousness which he felt within himself.

Needs of Sinners

“And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, ‘Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?’ But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, ‘THEY THAT BE WHOLE NEED NOT A PHYSICIAN, BUT THEY THAT ARE SICK. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I WILL HAVE MERCY, AND NOT SACRIFICE: FOR I AM NOT COME TO CALL THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT SINNERS TO REPENTANCE.’”

(Matthew 9:10-13)

“Those that are physically well do not need a doctor, but the sick in body need the aid of a doctor. The same holds true in spiritual things. I love to dine with the sinners and publicans because they, being mentally, morally and spiritually sick, need divine healing through the godly life manifesting through me.”

Jesus meant that only highly evolved souls like himself could cure the soul-sickness of others. That is why he associated with sinners and publicans and not only with religious or intellectual people. There is a tendency in many churches to attract nicely-dressed, rich people. One often hears in churches remarks like this: “We had a well-dressed, nice-looking crowd this morning.” The real divine minister should teach spiritually advanced people more advancement and spiritually sick people the art of spiritual healing. Jesus associated with his disciples to make them more advanced and kept company with sinners so that he could heal their soul-sickness.

Jesus goes on to say, “But go and learn what it means to attend to spiritually sick people and not to cater to spiritually healthy people. I will have compassion and mercy by which I will try to heal spiritually sick people from their soul maladies and I will not let them be sacrificed on the altar of their destiny or karma. I will use mercy and compassion to save them and not forsake them. I am here not to call only those that already are redeemed but specially all kinds of sinners from all walks of life who in their worldly wisdom and ignorant conceptions of life remain identified with the body and suffer from agonies and worries, not seeing their mistakes and thus not repenting that they might enjoy the everlasting bliss contact of God in meditation”.

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HOW JESUS RAISED THE DEAD –
HOW TO RETAIN CONSCIOUSNESS
IN THE AFTER-DEATH STATE

“And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus’ feet, and besought him that he would come into his house: for he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying.”

(Luke 8:41-42)

“There cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue’s house, saying to him, ‘Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master.’ but when Jesus heard it, he answered him, saying, ‘Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole.’ And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the maiden. And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, ‘WEEP NOT; SHE IS NOT DEAD, BUT SLEEPETH.’”

(Luke 8:49-52)

Jesus said: “Do not fill your soul with the fear of hopelessness, but believe in the all-powerful divine will within me, and your daughter shall come back to life.”

Due to the serious condition of the maiden, Jesus did not wants his mind to be disturbed by the presence of inharmonious people, so he asked only his advanced disciples, Peter, James and John, to follow him. To those weeping and wailing, he said, “Why are you making such a fuss and weeping? Although your physical eyes behold the maid as dead, still I can see she is only sleeping in God and can be brought back alive through His will.”

“And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead. And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, ‘Maid, arise.’ And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat. And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.”

(Luke 8:53-56)

Jesus freed himself from all vibrations of doubt by sending all the doubting Thomases away from his environment. Then Jesus, with his body and right hand filled with dynamic cosmic energy, took the dead damsel by the hand and vibrated his life-giving power within her, saying, “Damsel, by the God-consciousness and cosmic vibration which are equally present within me and your dead body, I vibrate and will with my cosmic will that you be conscious of this life-giving cosmic energy and forsake your deathly sleep and wake up.”
Raising the Dead

Jesus, being aware of the Christ intelligence which governs all astral forces and disembodied souls, commanded by his universal will the disembodied soul of the damsel to re-enter her body which was already charged by life force sent by Jesus through cosmic energy. The twelve-year-old damsel was instantly healed and arose, to her parent's astonishment. Jesus, realizing the secrecy and seriousness of divine healing of the dead, asked those present not to discuss the matter with others.

He asked that the girl be given something to eat. Saints, after ecstasy, always like to drink water in order to revive the consciousness of the body. So Jesus wanted the girl to eat so that she could remember and feel her body again after her soul's return into the body from the astral world.

Awakening the physically dead and awakening the spiritually dead by giving God-consciousness are considered two of the greatest forms of healing performed by the great Master. Greater than healing the physically dead is the changing of a soul who is materially-minded into a God-minded soul. Great Masters can transmit God-consciousness into advanced disciples by a special technique of will and divine permission.

"And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, 'Thou son of David, have mercy on us.' And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, 'Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, 'Yea, Lord.' Then touched he their eyes, saying, 'ACCORDING TO YOUR FAITH BE IT UNTO YOU.' And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, 'See that no man know it.' But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country."

(Matthew 9:27-31)

The cosmic energy sent by Jesus into the eyes of the blind men, being an intelligent and all-powerful and all-creative force, rearranged the life-trons, electrons and protons which had been deranged in the diseased eyes of the blind men, and brought about the required healing.

After they had received the healing Jesus said, “Be careful that no materially-minded men hear about your healing, for such men, no matter what spiritual demonstrations they behold, love to disbelieve in the Almighty Power of God.”

Possession

"As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil. And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marveled, saying, 'It was never so seen in Israel.' But the Pharisees said, 'He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils.'"

(Matthew 9:32-34)

There is nothing mysterious about devils or disembodes souls except that people have not studied their characteristics. Many scientific secrets which formerly lay hidden in
nature are now commonplace matters. So, some day when people will be more spiritually advanced they will understand all about the mysteries of life and death and the souls that have gone into the unknown.

When the devotee, by constant practice of meditation, can transfer his will and attention from the conscious to the subconscious, and when he can go deeper and send his concentration consciously beyond the portals of the subconscious, and from superconsciousness felt within his body can project his consciousness on the light of Christ intelligence hidden beyond the state of wakefulness, dreams, subconsciousness and superconsciousness, he can then behold a vast inner universe of luminous vibratory planets and vibratory spheres peopled with various qualities of disembodied souls possessing various earthly karmas.

Astral Nightmares

As a man may sleep one or two hours or three hours or twelve hours or may have sleeping sickness, so many souls after death remain in the state of unconscious sleep for a little while or a long time, according to their karmas in earthly life. As restless and excitable souls often experience nightmares during sleep so also those souls that led a confused and wicked life in their earthly existence, find themselves, after death, suffering from astral nightmares.

Souls with good karma alone are able to be awake in the astral land after their sleep of death. Most souls, after sleeping this sleep of unconscious death, wake up in the womb of a child-bearing mother. Sometimes good souls who have practiced many virtues are transferred to enjoy the results of their good karmas in astral planets where most of the limitations of earth life are non-existent. Only souls that by meditation can control their hearts and remain engrossed in the constant ecstasy with God-consciousness during their lifetime can retain their consciousness during the time of death and also in the astral world.

It is easy to understand that a soul who, like St. Paul, by the bliss and contact of Christ Consciousness, could arise above the body and daily experience the state of death when the soul goes out of the body and contacts Christ Consciousness, would be able to retain his consciousness after death. In order words, he who practices retaining his consciousness by daily meditation will certainly retain his consciousness when death comes upon him and in the after death state.

The testimony of the devotee who can retain his consciousness in the after-death state declares the mystery of the astral experience. As the worms live in the earth, fish live in the water, men live on earth, birds live in the air and angels live in the fine airless vibratory regions, so also there are various atmospheres and vibratory regions in the astral universe where different kinds of souls, according to their merits and demerits of their pre-astral existence in earth life, occupy the different vibratory spheres.

“Astralocuted”

Just as fish cannot live in the air for long, so tramp souls must remain in gross vibratory astral planets, whereas the finer souls live in the finely vibrating subtly luminous planets. If tramp souls dared to approach the luminous planets they would find themselves shocked or electrocuted or “astralocuted”, that is, destroyed by high voltage of astral energy. The tramp souls of the astral world who live in dark regions may, by affinity and

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agony of their desire to be reborn, get hold of weak-minded earthly souls riddled with bad karma. Then these souls are spoken of as possessed of devils.

Likewise, great souls can be possessed by divine saints. Just as a President of the United States cannot accept invitation anywhere unless the proper invitation is given to him, so also divine saints do not appear except when they are invited by their advanced devotees. Advanced devotees, by the urge of their devotion, with closed eyes can see or talk to saints in vision. When they develop further they can see saints with open eyes, talk to them or touch them, even as the advanced disciples of Jesus were able by their devotion to see Jesus the Christ after his resurrection in flesh and also were able to touch him.

So the idea of devils possessing souls must not be discarded as superstition. While one meditates on God one must be absolutely convinced that his body in charged with a high voltage of cosmic energy emanating from the thought of God and thus he is protected from the invasion of tramp souls in the astral world.

The tramp souls who try to possess the bodies of divine souls become astralocuted or shocked and are driven back to the dark spheres of the astral world. Anyone with God-consciousness should therefore never be afraid of the possibility of being possessed by evil spirits.
WHAT SHOULD MODERN CHURCHES OFFER THEIR MEMBERS? –
THE VITAL NEED TO REPLACE SERMONS WITH BLISS OF GOD-CONTACT

“And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.”

(Matthew 9:35-36)

It was wonderful how Jesus with his great divine power went about through the busy cities and villages teaching in their synagogues God’s vibratory truth or gospel coming through himself. He took compassion on the multitude who had no spiritual leader.

“Then saith he unto his disciples, ‘THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTEOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW: PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.’”

(Matthew 9:37-38)

“The harvest of cosmic consciousness is plenteous and endless, but there are very few devotees who will labor to sow the seeds of meditation in order to reap its harvest. Pray therefore that God the giver of cosmic consciousness may bless you to become true laboring devotees and through His grace and your spiritual efforts you may attain the harvest of that cosmic consciousness.”

Abundant Harvest

The harvest of God-realization is abundant as it offers eternal wisdom, eternal ever-new bliss, eternal consciousness and immortality. But there are very few human beings who will live a life of discipline and continuous meditation so that they may reap the eternal harvest of God-contact in the short season of life. God-realization comes to the devotee not only due to his efforts of self-realization but also because of his divine compassion. The devotee who with pride by reason of his spiritual realizations demands of God to surrender Himself finds many difficulties in reaching his ultimate spiritual goal even though he attains miraculous powers.

Neither does a devotee receive divine mercy if he only blindly believes in God and deliberately breaks all spiritual laws as laid down by God’s true children, the prophets. That is why God is the Lord who grants the final harvests of all spirituality grown by the devotees on the soil of their meditative life.
Each devotee should regularly practice all the step-by-step methods of higher realization and at the same time with deepest devotion pray unto his own Father-God to grant him final liberation. Pray unto God who can grant salvation to give His blessing that you may become divine laborers tilling the soil of your consciousness with meditation and sowing in it the seeds of wisdom and self-realization, that in the end you may reap the richest harvest of all-sorrow-liberating God-contact. God can be attained not by proxy, blind beliefs nor sudden unmerited divine visitation nor by dying, but by spiritual labor of scientific meditation and divine grace.

Transfer of Spiritual Power

“And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.”

(Matthew 10:1)

As wealthy people can transfer their funds during their lifetime or after they are gone to anyone they choose, so also great prophets of self-realization can by certain techniques transfer their spiritual ecstasies, God-wisdom and healing power unto their true disciples at any time. That is how Jesus called his twelve disciples and transmitted into them spiritual powers and divine authority over disembodied souls to cast them out when they sinfully blasphemed by possessing human beings. Jesus also instilled in his disciples the power to heal all kinds of diseases.

Free Will of Judas

At this point it must be remembered that Jesus also gave his divine power to Judas but Judas used his free will to ignore his spirituality and stoop to evil ways. Even though Jesus gave to his disciples an equal measure of divine power, the disciples according to their various degrees of spirituality and good and bad karma received and manifested his teachings differently. Disciples like St. John were completely liberated during the lifetime of Jesus but Judas had to work out his evil karma of his betrayal of Jesus through many incarnations.

Certain great Masters in India state that Judas has been working out his sins for twenty centuries and was liberated only in the present time, the Twentieth Century. The bad karma of Judas was very great because he sinned and blasphemed against Jesus who contacted the holy vibration or the Holy Ghost and God the Father (cosmic consciousness) within him.

Jesus did not send out his disciples with theological degrees but equipped them with power born of God-contact to preach the gospel or God-vibration as felt in meditation through the example of their spiritual lives.

How Modern Churches Should Be Organized

The Christian churches have done much good in keeping alive the thought of Jesus but they have failed to give God-contact to their church members. This is due to the fact
that ministers and leaders who guide church members are chosen according to their physical personality, oratorical power, organizing ability or theological degrees, and not according to the quality of their self-realization. Jesus and his disciples did not have any theological degrees or college education, nor did they take lessons in elocution, but they preached what they knew from direct God-contact. Jesus said, “WE SPEAK THAT WE DO KNOW, AND TESTIFY THAT WE HAVE SEEN.” (John 3:11).

The leaders of modern Christian churches, in order to be loyal to Christ and God, must change their methods of holding people by hackneyed repetition and revamping of the same sermon every Sunday, by social gatherings, movies, bazaars and dances, and must try to keep the people together in the church, if they want to keep together, by the spontaneous loyalty born of their self-realization garnered in the school of discipline and meditation taught by the church.

The Sunday morning service must not consist of various motions of the body and mind required in chanting and singing, standing up and sitting down, prayer, church recital, and so forth. It should consist mostly of meditation, cessation of bodily motions, absence of mental restlessness and presence of God-contact. Where bodily motions cease and mental thoughts dissolve God begins to appear as stillness and divine bliss on the altar of peace and changelessness.

Feeding Sermons

That is why Jesus complained that most people were satisfied to join the services in the synagogue but there were few laborers who deserved to reap the harvest of eternal abundant spirituality. As most modern churches are satisfied to create the big costly church organizations to feed sermons to the not-spiritually-hungry church members once a week on Sunday mornings, so the church paraphernalia has become a top-heavy, scantily useful organization.

All spiritual teachers, instead of first concentrating on the building of big churches with heavy mortgages, should establish the temples of self-realization in the soul of their followers. Besides, all ministers and leaders of spiritual teachings should teach only after they have attained some degree of God-contact by deep regular meditation. Ministers of churches should be selected according to their devotion to God and self-realization through meditation. As in the West the churches have become places of Sunday sermons, similarly the big Hindu temples in India have become places of occasional chanting and ceremonial worship.

God-Communion

Big temples at first were occupied by great teachers but after their passing people with ambition for power and money seized the temples and desecrated them with their unspiritual methods. Now the great teachers, usually due to the monopoly of the priests, have left the temples and live in sequestered nooks and temples where they preach self-realization to selected students not by preaching all the time but by meditating with them on God-contact. Sermons only create the desire to know God, but meditation with great saints gives one the knowledge and bliss emanating from God-communion.
God-Contacting Ministers Are Real Need of Churches

What is necessary now is not new denominations but the real teaching of Christ and the living of the teachings of Christ, improving the quality of church members by meditation and the selection of God-known, God-contacting ministers. All churchianity can be abolished and real Christianity be brought back in the church if the churches are made places for daily meditation including Sundays. The atmosphere of meditation will change churches from nests of delusive, diving churchianity into the heaven of Christ consciousness or Christ-i-anity. That is why Jesus endowed the disciples with divine power so that they in turn could instill that power in the people and heal them from ignorance. Jesus also taught them the art of developing dynamic will power and healing by which they could heal the afflicted bodies of people who wanted to be spiritual but could not be so due to their physical defects.
“BE YE WISE AS SERPENTS,
AND HARMLESS AS DOVES” –
JESUS SPOKE OF THE SERPENT
OR KUNDALINI SPINAL POWER,
AND THIRD OR SPIRITUAL EYE,
SYMBOLIZED BY A DOVE

“And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, inquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence. AND WHEN YE COME INTO AN HOUSE, SALUTE IT. AND IF THE HOUSE BE WORTHY, LET YOUR PEACE BE UPON IT: BUT IF IT BE NOT WORTHY, LET YOUR PEACE RETURN TO YOU. AND WHOSOEVER SHALL NOT RECEIVE YOU, NOR HEAR YOUR WORDS, WHEN YE DEPART OUT OF THAT HOUSE OR CITY, SHAKE OFF THE DUST OF YOUR FEET. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.”

(Matthew 10:11-15)

“And into whatever city or town you go, find out who are spiritual and worthy to receive your message of salvation; there abide with such people, accepting their hospitality as your spiritual wage, until you have taught them enough and are ready to go elsewhere to help others. On visiting another family salute it humbly as the manifestation of God. If the family is spiritually deserving then make it feel your soul’s peace. But if you find that family unspiritual and unappreciative of your gift of peace then withdraw it to your own soul. And whosoever will not receive your message of divine liberty, nor listen to your words of wisdom, then depart you from that house or city – shake off the dust of their evil vibrations. This will be a proof of their evil natures before their own conscience. Verily I say unto you that the law of karma will punish that city or home who refused your soul-liberating message even more than Sodom and Gomorrha suffered due to the effects of their own misdeeds.”

Transferring God-Consciousness

It has been explained before that great teachers can transfer their God-consciousness and peace to worthy disciples just as rich man can transfer his wealth to anyone. The disciples of Jesus having the power to transmit peace to God-seeking people were advised in the following way: “O ye beloved disciples, transmit peace into worthy souls in spiritual homes and places, but if you go to a place and find the people spiritually unworthy, retain your peace within you and leave. Even though I ask you to live by the charity of the people in a house, in no way forget to retain the consciousness that you are spiritual lions, divine children made in the image of God. That is why if any house that will not appreciate your exemplary spiritual lives or profit by the words of your wisdom, then go away from that place, not in anger, but firmly declaring the folly of the ignorant people who could have had salvation through you but failed to receive it due to their extreme unfriendliness and unreceptivity. The actions of those that treat you with unfriendliness will be recorded by the Cosmic Law and thus attract evil karma. Verily I say unto you that the
judgment of the Cosmic Law against the ignorant evil-doers of Sodom and Gomorrha would be less severe than the judgment of that Law against those spiritual offenders who blaspheme against God by not recognizing you who are the highest representatives of Christ-intelligence and God."

"'BEHOLD, I SEND YOU FORTH AS SHEEP IN THE MIDST OF WOLVES: BE YE THEREFORE WISE AS SERPENTS, AND HARMLESS AS DOVES. But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues; and ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.'"

(Matthew 10:16-18)

"Behold, wherever you go, my consciousness must be manifest in you and you must consider yourselves always humble, inoffensive, unrevengeful, like a meek lamb, even when you are surrounded by ruthless, conscienceless people like ravenous wolves. In order to deal with satanic, wolfish people and sense-temptations, you must always abide within your great wisdom and calmness born of the divine realization which you received by awakening your serpent-force or coiled divine energy and in the peace which you have acquired by concentrating in your peace-producing, dove-like, three-colored spiritual eye."

Inner Meaning of Serpent

What Jesus meant when he spoke of being wise as serpents and harmless as doves is not generally understood. Ordinary serpents have no wisdom, are quick to anger, and are stupid enough to bite people and get killed. Doves are not harmless, for they kill and eat insects. Even though the dove might be used as a symbol of peace for its peaceful looks, the serpent certainly does not look wise or inspiring. Jesus used these words in a symbolic, esoteric sense, since he was talking to his advanced disciples.

The Oriental Scriptures have used the simile of a serpent to illustrate the coiled force or the force that passes through a coiled passage at the base of the spine. The astral force which passes through the coiled serpentine passage at the coccyx from the senses to the brain with the help of some high technique of Self-realization, is termed the awakened Kundalini or awakened coiled force.

Kundalini Force Cannot Be Accidently Awakened

Many people think that this Kundalini force can be easily awakened or roused by accident. They are the ones who mistakenly speak of the Kundalini awakening or divine awakening as being dangerous. In the state of sleep the energy and consciousness in the human body retire from the muscles and sensory nerves and senses to the region of the heart, spine, and brain. In deep ecstasy the devotee knows how to consciously withdraw life force from the coccyx and heart and to race it through the coiled passage at the base of the spine and through the spinal plexuses and brain, upwardly reversing their direction, toward God.
In the ordinary body-identified individual the life force and consciousness continuously flow downward through the coiled passage at the base of the spine, so that he is conscious only of the body and its sense pleasures.

Any great saint of any religion who has attained God-consciousness knows how to withdraw his consciousness and life force from the sense regions and the spinal cord passage and the plexuses in the spine to God-consciousness in the brain and the eternal space surrounding the body.

Moses Lifted Up the Serpent in the Wilderness

Moses is spoken of as lifting up the serpent in the wilderness – that is, by deep meditation, he lifted his consciousness and life force through the coiled passages at the base of the spine to unite them with God-consciousness in the brain, in the wilderness or deep silence born of meditation.

Awakening the Kundalini force is extremely difficult and cannot be done accidentally. One who is able to awaken the Kundalini fast approaches the state of Christhood. Many ignorant teachers think awakening the Kundalini force is identical with awakening sex-consciousness, an extremely ridiculous and erroneous conception. Jesus knew that most of his disciple had awakened their consciousness by rousing the Kundalini or coiled serpentlike force and therefore he asked his advanced disciples to retain their deep wisdom and calmness which they had acquired by the Kundalini awakening, whenever they were confronted with persecution.

Warned Against Revenge

Anyone who has awakened this coiled force, that is, has taken his consciousness through the coiled passage at the coccyx to the brain, has acquired miraculous power and by the powerful awakened energy in his brain and will power, can destroy his enemies or conquer all temptations. That is why Jesus warned his disciples not to use divine power to wreak revenge on enemies, but to use the celestial power of love to conquer them. Jesus elsewhere demonstrated this conviction when his enemies arrested him to bring him before Caiaphas, and Jesus would not use his spiritual powers against them, though he plainly said: "THINKEST THOU THAT I CANNOT NOW PRAY TO MY FATHER, AND HE SHALL PRESENTLY GIVE ME MORE THAN TWELVE LEGIONS OF ANGELS?" – (Matt. 26:53.)

Jesus later, when crucified and suffering on the cross, performed the greatest spiritual miracle of his life by saying: "FATHER, FORGIVE THEM; FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO." (Luke 23:34.)

Demonstrates Love Silently

No matter how much a person is evil or acts against divine laws, God never uses His miraculous powers to destroy him. The evil person destroys himself by his own sins. God is love and He demonstrates love by silence; by silently loving the wrong-doer, He calls him back to the Divine Home. God with all His Almighty Power never uses physical force to conquer evil. He uses love and wisdom to defeat evil in the world. All those Christ-like souls who love Him know that they should never use divine power to destroy God’s erroneous children, but should use His love to win them.
To use divine power for evil purposes is blasphemy and conducive to great spiritual downfall. That is why Jesus asked his disciples to use the most harmless and strongest peace-force by awakening the spiritual eye by meditation to conquer all other so-called strong forces of evil.

When anybody concentrates at the point between the eye-brows with eyes closed, he sees a light which has a white star in the middle, encased within a sphere of blue light which is encircled by a golden ring of light.

When the light switch in an automobile is turned on, it sends light through one wire into two wires which illumines two headlights of the automobile. Similarly, the medulla oblongata sends life force through two optical nerves into the two physical eyes.

The Single Spiritual Eye

Jesus said, “IF THEREFORE THINE EYE BE SINGLE, THY WHOLE BODY SHALL BE FULL OF LIGHT.” He meant that any devotee who knows how to focus his inward gaze at the point between the eyebrows finds that the light traveling through the two eyes and optic nerves becomes centralized into a single visible spiritual eye at the point between the eyebrows.

By higher meditation the devotees knows how to penetrate his consciousness and life force through the telescopic spiritual eye of three colors into eternal space. Any devotee who can focus his eyes and is able to behold this spiritual eye and is able to enter it finds his physical body and his body of the universe filled with cosmic light and the light of wisdom.

The Christmas Shepherds Followed A Spiritual Star

When the shepherds saw a star intimating to them the birth of Christ, they beheld through their spiritual eye the star of wisdom where Christ Consciousness was manifested in the body of Jesus.

Every devotee must know how to take his wisdom through the Star of the East or the rising star of wisdom which he beholds in front of him in meditation, to the Christ Consciousness lying behind it.

Those spiritual teachers who have gone beyond their human consciousness into Christ Consciousness by penetrating through the spiritual eye have tremendous powers and can perform many divine miracles. So Jesus warned his disciples, who had found infinite peace by penetrating their consciousness through the spiritual eye or the dove of light, that they should not misuse their spiritual powers when they were confronted by the wickedness of mistaken children of God.

The Three Colors Of The Spiritual Eye Compared to a Dove

The spiritual eye has been compared to a dove because of its three colors – the mouth of the dove is compared to the white star in the middle of the spiritual eye, and the two other colors – blue and gold – in the spiritual eye have been compared to the two wings of the dove.
All Christlike souls aspiring to attain the kingdom of God must behave divinely and conquer evil only by soul force even as God does. Evil cannot be conquered by the evil use of divine power.

It would be easy for devotees who have acquired miraculous power to try to conquer their enemies by the evil use of divine force. So Jesus warns his disciples of the danger of losing hard-acquired divine force, if one uses it to wreak vengeance against his own divine brethren working under the influence of the intoxication of delusion.

Evil Cannot Conquer Evil

Now we understand what Jesus meant when he commanded his disciples: “Be ye therefore wise as serpents and harmless as doves.”

Jesus further prophesied as to persecutions his disciples would meet at the hands of uncomprehending men. That is why Jesus said: “My children, beware of materially-minded men who will deliver you up the judges and get you whipped in the synagogues for preaching the gospel of divine freedom. Ye shall be taken to task before governors and kings for living my truth and preaching it. The Gentiles and the political forces who oppose you for living the truth and preaching my message will be condemned before the tribunal of Cosmic Law. Their evil treatment will remain as testimonials which will act against them during the judgment delivered by Cosmic Law.”

Beholding Our Cosmic Body

An ordinary man, consciously identified with his own body, uses his eyes and feeling to see himself limited by his body, family, society, country, world, and a certain portion of space. But when he meditates and penetrates his consciousness through his spiritual eye, he beholds himself in all space, and all living creatures as different forms of his own self. In that state, with his body and mind as the central states of consciousness, he beholds all living beings as the limbs of his vast cosmic body. Such a devotee who has awakened his serpent force has taken away the searchlight of his consciousness from a limited part of matter and sensations in one body and has expanded his consciousness to light up all space and has an actual perception of the sensations of all living beings.

Such a devotee by awakening his serpent force, or reversing the searchlight of his senses through his body to God, becomes identified with eternal wisdom and is not at all disturbed by trials and temptations. Such a devotee who beholds through his spiritual eye his existence in all, who feels an ineffable peace and attunement with all living creatures and things, and who beholds all selves as manifestations of his own being, becomes harmless to all, equally loving all different parts of his own cosmic body. This attainment is what Jesus meant when he asked his disciples to be wise as serpents and harmless as doves.
HOW ONE SHOULD ACT UNDER PERSECUTION –
INTUITION, NOT EGO, SHOULD BE MAN’S GUIDE

“But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in the same hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you. And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name’s sake: BUT HE THAT ENDURETH TO THE END SHALL BE SAVED.”

(Matthew 10:19-22)

“When they arrest you do not use your calculating limited human reason, but let God speak through your intuition and voice. Let not your human ego speak but let the wisdom of your Father speak through your inner surrender to Him. Even a human brother will persecute a spiritual brother who will follow truth. You will be hated by all materially-minded people for following the Christ intelligence within you. But he that withstands persecution for the truth to the end of life will be saved from reincarnation of the misery-making earth-life.”

In the above words, Jesus is outlining how God-guided people should act when confronted with persecution. In business matters and lawsuits, people definitely plan their activities and their words in all transactions, but Jesus points out that souls who are in tune with Cosmic Consciousness are guided by it in their senses, thoughts, feelings, intelligence and intuitions.

Guided by Higher Wisdom

Hence, God-tuned souls in all their activities should be guided by the higher wisdom and all-seeing intelligence instead of depending on the preparedness of limited reason. Cosmic Consciousness does not reason with devotees, it only drops truths in their intuitions. The devotees use their intuitions to guide their reason and speech and actions. Intuition is not born in reason but is the father of reason and can satisfy all the demands of reason.

Human reason is based on sense experience and is limited by it. If the sense experience is misinterpreted, the human reason proves to be erroneous. A person beholding a cloud of dust on a hill from a distance might be led to think that the hill is on fire emanating a cloud of smoke. This shows how reason which is dependent on sense experience can blunder if sensory experience or observation is faulty or incomplete.

On the other hand, even as God knows the truth about all things through His omnipresent intuition, so His devotees also know everything through their developed intuition. God has no eyes, nor senses, nor reason dependent on the senses through which He knows. He is the Knower, the process of knowing, and the wisdom to be known. Hence He knows everything through His intuition or feeling present in everything.

Jesus urges his disciples to depend on the unlimited power and guidance of intuitive God-perception and not on their limited reason when they are confronted with persecutions.
or human problems. So He said: “O my dear ones, when for the sake of preaching my all-emancipating truth you are delivered before the governors, do not plan how or what you will speak in defense of your truth and yourself, for God and Cosmic Vibration will speak through your voice and reason (being present with you) instantaneously in the same hour in which you will be required to speak.

Depend on Intuition

“You, being in tune with the Spirit of your Heavenly Father, must feel that it is not your ego but He that will speak through your intuition, reason and voice. I prophesy that when you live and preach my truth, Satan will create great mischief and will rouse a material brother to persecute a spiritual brother and the unspiritual father will persecute the spiritual child and the unspiritual children will rise up against their parents who believe my truth and will put them into trouble and be the cause of their great suffering and death. And for manifesting the subtle pure light of Christ Intelligence in your actions, you will be disliked by materially-minded men who are used to living in the darkness of ignorance. That devotee who does not only overcome the trials in the spiritual path for a little, but who is patient and endures difficulties, temptations and spiritual disappointments of not finding God by prayers or years of meditation, to the end of life, shall find eternal life and be permanently saved from further trials, ordeals and sufferings which go with desireful reincarnating individuals.”

“But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another; for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of Man be come.”

(Matthew 10:23)

“But when they persecute you in one city, take the path of least resistance and divine meekness and fly into another city to preach His message. And you will not finish preaching in the cities of Israel until the words and message delivered through my body (Son of man) become known all over the earth.”

Warned Not To Use Divine Powers Spectacularly

In the above words Jesus instructed his disciples to be led by God and use His power in doing good things only. Jesus warns the disciples not to use divine power in any spectacular way. That is why he says: “O ye beloved disciples, when people persecute you for preaching my message in a city, use your common sense and divine meekness to follow the road of least resistance and fly away and preach in another city, for verily by the all-seeing power of spiritual vision, I declare unto you and prophesy that it would take a long time for you to preach my message in the different cities of Israel and you will be doing so until the Son of man or my body and its name and its work on earth become fully known.”

“THE DISCIPLE IS NOT ABOVE HIS MASTER, NOR THE SERVANT ABOVE HIS LORD. It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If
they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of his household?"

(Matthew 10:24-25)

In the above words, Jesus emphasizes that the persecution of his disciples would be as great if not greater than he himself would endure, so he says: “Beloved ones, you know that even a Master-like disciple is not honored like his Master, no matter how far the disciple is spiritually advanced, nor is a glorified servant ever regarded as great as his lord. It is spiritually sufficient before the eyes of God that the disciple becomes equal to the master and the servant becomes powerful like his lord, but the same is not true before the eyes of the people. Thus, when the materially-minded people and the Pharisees have called the Master of the house of Christ teachings “Beelzebub” (Prince of Devils), then how much more shall they criticize you all who are followers of the truth revealed in Christ Consciousness?”

“'Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the house-tops.'”

(Matthew 10:26-27)

In the above words, Jesus says to his disciples even though they must be meek and humble, following the course of least resistance during their preaching campaigns by flying from one city to another and even though they would be subject to great criticism, they should fearlessly speak about the hidden truths, even though their exposition and newness might evoke terrible criticism from the wicked and ignorant. For the sake of the true seekers all hidden truths must be revealed for their benefit.

“O ye, my beloved ones, be meek but fear not your critics, for the sake of the true seekers to whose awakened consciousness all truth covered from the gaze of the spiritually ignorant must be uncovered. There is no wisdom that will remain forever covered or hidden from the awakened consciousness and spiritual hunger of the devotee. All things, all truths that the spiritually dark, ignorant people cannot perceive will be perceived by those that are developed in intuitional self-realization. All the truths which I describe to you in the darkness of secrecy and which are hidden from the gaze of all, I ask you to reveal with the light of your self-knowledge, that others who are highly advanced may understandingly perceive them. And all the truths which you hear from me and all the truths that I shall reveal through my Christ Intelligence in your intuitional ears within, for public use, you can loudly preach to all without distinction.”

“Speak Ye in Light”

“I say unto you again that all the esoteric truths which I vibrate within you in the secrecy of your soul, you must transmit to other souls who are in light or are already spiritually advanced due to their past good karmas; and all the general truths which you hear from my words, you can preach loudly from all platforms wherever you are before the gaze of the public.”
It must be noted that Jesus asks his disciples to spread two kinds of teaching – one, the hidden higher teachings to the selected spiritually advanced people; second, the general teachings for the public-at-large.

**Power of Cosmic Law**

“AND FEAR NOT THEM WHICH KILL THE BODY, BUT ARE NOT ABLE TO KILL THE SOUL; BUT RATHER FEAR HIM WHICH IS ABLE TO DESTROY BOTH SOUL AND BODY IN HELL.

“Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father, but the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.”

(Matthew 10:28-31)

In the above, Jesus is emphasizing that it is a great sin if one, for the fear of man, acts against the cosmic law and thus brings disaster upon himself. Jesus also speaks of the omnipresent, all-knowing power of God which protects and appreciates the work of the devotees who are martyred for the sake of truth.

“O ye beloved disciples, for the sake of attaining immortality, fear not even if you have to sacrifice the body. The sacrifice of the body will not bring destruction to the soul, but sacrifice of a spiritual principle might bring disaster to the soul and the body as well. Fear not those that can kill your body, but be aware of the Cosmic Consciousness which evolved your soul and body and which can dissolve them back again within Itself due to the action of your own ignorance.”

When Jesus speaks of God as destroying both body and soul, he meant that God has complete power over the bodies and souls of all creatures, even as kings have power over the bodies of their subjects.

“Every soul is made in the image of God and as such is indestructible. Persecution may destroy the body of man, but acting against the laws of truth affects the body as well as the soul in the after-death state. The miseries of the body end in death but the agonies accruing out of an individual's evil actions in one life continue in the soul in the after-death state. Be warned, dear disciples, about the sins against the laws of the soul, more lasting than the errors against the body. Beloved ones, fear not the temporary persecutions of people for a little while on earth, but remember your connection with the Heavenly Father whose consciousness is within you and everywhere, even in the insignificant dying sparrows which are sold for two farthings.”

**Omnipresent Father**

“Remember you have to deal with this ever-watchful, beloved Father throughout eternity. Remember that God is conscious through the present, past and future. He is conscious of every hair on your head; and the cosmic law ever watches every action, good, bad, or indifferent, the countless actions of your life, that it may justly give you the earned result. Therefore, fear not your persecutors and thus desist from preaching the truth, for remember your life and actions as the children of God concern the Father more than the
mechanical life of the sparrows who are free from good and bad karma and whose lives, insignificant though they are, are well-attended to and taken care of by Him.”

Glossary:

“Them” – Worldly people, “Kill the soul” – Dissolve the indestructible soul. “Fear him” – Stand in awe before Him. “Which is able to destroy both soul and body” – Who is almighty and, through His cosmic law of cause and effect, can dissolve your soul and body. “In Hell” – Self-created misery which burns the inner being as well as the outward health. “Without your Father” – Without the consciousness of the Father who is omnipresent, omniscient.

“"WHOSOEVER THEREFORE SHALL CONFESS ME BEFORE MEN, HIM WILL I CONFESS ALSO BEFORE MY FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN, BUT WHOSOEVER SHALL DENY ME BEFORE MEN, HIM WILL I ALSO DENY BEFORE MY FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN."”

(Matthew 10:32-33)

Christ’s Promise of Eternal Protection

“Whoever shall admit that he is in tune with my consciousness and my teachings before materially-minded people and persecutors shall find me also in tune with him and I shall speak with the Father about taking him in His kingdom of luminous space even though he may have sins of evil karma. Every soul who will suffer physical death as the consequence for teaching my truth will find his consciousness passes through the Christ Intelligence in Cosmic Vibration to the sphere of Cosmic Consciousness which exists beyond all vibratory creation.”

Denial Brings Punishment

“That individual who will deny or desist from exercising his Christ Consciousness and Christ living before materially-minded people for fear of persecution, will find, when he reaches the blissful Christ-Intelligence-state after death, that consciousness weakening within him (due to his previous denial) and thus will be prevented from remaining in the Christ Intelligence or entering into the higher God-the-Father-state or Cosmic Intelligence which exists beyond Christ Consciousness.”

In the above words Jesus is giving warning that if any disciple, after contacting the Christ Intelligence within him, does not openly share that consciousness with others because of fear of persecution and selfishness, he will lose that consciousness and be unable to advance further.
JESUS EXPLAINS WHY GOD-LOVE SHOULD COME BEFORE FAMILY-LOVE

"Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man’s foes shall be they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. AND HE THAT TAKETH NOT HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOWETH AFTER ME, IS NOT WORTHY OF ME."

(Matthew 10:34-38)

"O ye beloved disciples, think not that I came to bring a material peace in earthly life. I came not to give a short-lasting material happiness, but to give to the valiant spiritual soul a two-edged sword of wisdom and self-control by which he can slay material pleasure and temptation or any evil family influence which might obstruct his soul from attaining everlasting happiness and spiritual freedom.

"The eternal truth which I preach and which is manifested within you will variously affect people with various good and bad karmas, so that a good devotee of mine might not agree with his materially-minded father, or a daughter saturated in Christ Consciousness might not be in tune with her unspiritual mother, and the spiritual daughter-in-law might act against the material wishes of her mother-in-law, and a man enjoying ecstasy in Christ Consciousness and meditation might find the members of his own material family acting against him due to their own evil karmas and tendencies.

Parents Given by God

"Since parents are given by God to a devotee, the devotee must not so materially love them that he forgets to love his Heavenly Father. The devotee who materially loves his son or daughter more than God and forgets to meditate upon Him is not worthy to feel God and know Him as the only great Cosmic Lover. He that is not prepared to hold his Christ Peace of meditation at all times during the crucifixion of calmness by restlessness, of self-control by temptation, of divine loyalty by persecution, does not deserve to retain his Christ Consciousness from the earth life to eternal life."

It must be specially noted that Jesus does not mean that his teachings will not bring peace in family life amidst truth-seeking family members, but he warns family members not to remain steeped in the ignorance of a material life but to take the sword of wisdom to destroy all their earthliness.

Jesus goes on to say that if a devotee finds his own family members dissuading him or obstructing him from cultivating God-consciousness, he should not yield to them but should go on developing his divine consciousness. Jesus reminds the devotee that he should remember that he has to reap the consequences of his own actions and he should not let his earthly family because of its perversity turn him against his own Heavenly Father. Jesus points out that those that overcome all obstacles in order to have self-realization
create good karma and tendencies which automatically lead them to the attainment of Cosmic Consciousness.

Glossary:

“Not peace but a sword.” Not earthly peace but divine strength and determination. “To set a man at variance against his father.” To strengthen a spiritual man to resist the influence of an unspiritual father. “And he that loveth father and mother more than me.” He who loves God’s creatures more than God does not deserve to know Him. “Taketh not his cross.” Fights not temptations with self-discipline. “Followeth after me.” Takes his mind from the plane of sense to the star of Christ Consciousness in meditation.

Material Happiness Is Not Lasting

“HE THAT FINDETH HIS LIFE SHALL LOSE IT: AND HE THAT LOSETH HIS LIFE FOR MY SAKE SHALL FIND IT. He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me. He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward, and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man’s reward. And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.’”

(Matthew 10:39-42)

“A person in tune with a prophet or a righteous man or the vibration of a disciple’s name and acts mercifully will receive prophetic qualities, or righteousness, or divine mercy, respectively, according to the merits of his actions.

“He that finds material happiness in his life will lose that happiness in death, and he that loses the material happiness of his life in order to find the Christ Bliss will find eternal happiness. He who is in tune with Christ-tuned disciples is automatically in tune with Christ Consciousness. And he who can receive Christ Intelligence in his expanded consciousness is in tune with the Cosmic Consciousness out of which Christ Consciousness emanates.

“O ye disciples, remember that he who discovers only the material pleasures of his mundane life will lose the divine joys hidden behind it. Also, he that finds the cosmic joy of meditation in life loses the desire to be attached to the pleasures of material life. He who loses the desire for material life in order to find the Christ Intelligence within will find the everlasting joys hidden behind material life. That devotee who forgoes the pleasure of the body to feel the ever-new joy felt in ecstasy with Christ Consciousness in meditation will find that all material prosperity and pleasures of earthly life will be added unto him. He who forsakes earthly happiness for God happiness will find earthly happiness too, but he who seeks material happiness only will lose it because of its short-lasting nature.”

In Tune With Christ Consciousness

“Those devotees who are in tune with your consciousness, my beloved disciples, will gradually, through your aid and meditation, contact the Christ Consciousness within them.
Those who will be able to be one with the Christ Consciousness in all vibratory creation by deep meditation, and will discipline their lives under your tutelage, will ultimately be able to be one with Cosmic Consciousness beyond creation, whose reflection is present in the Christ Intelligence within me. He that receives in his intuition the disciple’s consciousness will know Christ Intelligence. That person who feels Christ Intelligence in meditation will ultimately realize God the Father who is reflected as the Son or Christ Intelligence.

“Beloved ones, you must realize that the devotee who has supremely expanded his consciousness by meditation in order to receive Christ Consciousness or a prophet’s consciousness, will be in tune all vibratory creation, and he that tunes himself with the consciousness of a righteous individual and lives his own life according to the law of cause and effect will be a righteous man. And he that gives even a cup of cold water to the thirsty or a cup of cool wisdom received from any of my disciples to slake the thirst of the little children in the path of God will find good karma and heavenly tendencies that will eventually lift him towards Christ Consciousness.”

Parallelism With Gita

These words of Jesus Christ have a remarkable parallelism with some of the words of the Bhagavad Gita. The Gita says: “Those individuals that worship different deities and different ideals attain what they desire, but those devotees who want Me (God) come unto me.” Jesus also meant that all good actions are rewarded and followers of different forms of virtue attain their objectives according to their innate desires. But those who are in tune with the prophet or who want to achieve Christhood attain their goal and become prophets and Christlike, according to their heart’s desire.

Glossary:

“Findeth his life.” Puts material happiness as the goal of his life. “Lose it”. Lose that material happiness in death. “Loseth his life for my sake”. Sacrifices his material pleasures in order to contact the blissful Christ Consciousness in meditation. “Find it”. Find everlasting happiness. “Receiveith him that sent me”. Is in tune with Cosmic Consciousness which reflects the Christ Consciousness present in all creation. “Receiveith”. Holds wisdom by expanding the capacity of his consciousness. “Receiveith a prophet”. Is in tune with a prophet’s consciousness. “A prophet’s reward”. The wisdom which is rewarded to a prophet. “A righteous man’s reward”. The reward of a virtuous happy life which comes to a righteous man. “Little ones.” Beginners on the spiritual path. “A cup of cold water.” A measure of cool wisdom which quenches the scorching thirst of material desires. “In the name of a disciple”. Through the spiritual vibrations of a disciple. “In no wise lose his reward.” Will not lose the result or beneficial karma of his good actions.

Real Service Rendered Humanity by the Disciple

“And they went out, and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them.”

(Mark 6:12-13)
The disciples preached about the vibrations of God-consciousness which came through Jesus and asked people to repent and forsake their material attachments so they could attain God-consciousness through spiritual awakening. The disciples by the power of their developed will freed people from obsessions and healed many sick people of their various diseases, anointing them with oil. These services distinctly show that the disciples were more than products of a theological school; they were preachers who actually lived the truth in life and thus by their spiritual examples did great good to mankind by healing bodies of physical diseases and souls of ignorance. They were unlike the modern theological students who, just by the virtue of an ecclesiastical degree, try to preach the truth to others from book learning and not from living the truth in actual life.

“And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught. And he said unto them, ‘Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while’: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.”

(Mark 6:30-31)

“O ye beloved disciples, part with the crowd and come by yourselves into the quietness of the desert place. And relax there and recharge yourself with God-consciousness before you go out to preach again.”

Necessity for God-Communion
Before and After Preaching

The above saying of Jesus is extremely important in connection with preaching the divine message. Jesus pointed out that the disciples should always be equipped with divine consciousness through deep meditation before they preached about the gospel of God-consciousness and also after they had finished preaching and felt themselves spiritually depleted, when they should again retire in quiet places and recharge themselves with God-consciousness. The modern minister, instead of wasting time in reading a lot of books in preparation for the Sunday sermon, should meditate very deeply and have ecstatic contact with God before and after each Sunday sermon.
VIEWS OF THE MASTERS ON DIET –
THE LAWS BY WHICH JESUS
PERFORMED THE MIRACLES
OF FEEDING THE MULTITUDE
AND OF WALKING ON THE WATER –
WHAT JESUS MEANT BY FAITH

“After these things Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, ‘Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?’ And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, ‘Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.’ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, saith unto him, ‘There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?’

“And Jesus said, ‘Make the men sit down.’ Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.”

(John 6:1-13)

It is evident that according to the custom of the time, Jesus did not sponsor strict vegetarianism inasmuch as he often ate with his fishermen-disciples and here he distributes the two fish to be fed to the multitude.

Vegetarian Diet For Spiritual Discipline

It is true that those are in a state of spiritual discipline ought to favor a vegetarian diet. But to the great masters, when they have attained God-consciousness, fish eating has little meaning, for they see whole world as nothing but the manifestation of God’s idea. To them all forms of physical experiences are nothing but the different acts of consciousness under the influence of the cosmic dream. When a man is dreaming that he is sitting at a dinner table eating fish, meat, eggs or vegetables, no doubt he feels differently affected according to the taste and different effects of different foods on his dream palate and dream stomach and dream body, but when he awakes from his dream, he finds that his eating of fish, meat, eggs or vegetables in the dream land are nothing but different forms of imagination and fanciful experience. To the dreaming man there is a difference between
the dream dish of fish and of vegetables but when wakes from the dream he finds that the
dream fish and dream vegetable eating were nothing but different ideas and mental
experience.

To the man of realization, likewise, the very consciousness of giving reality to any
form of diet is delusion. When he wakes from the dream delusion of the cosmos, he
realizes he is Spirit and never ate anything nor had any physical experience or body except
in dream consciousness.

It should at this time be strictly remembered that the consciousness of the body or
the various forms of eating and their different effects on the body must not be ignorantly
denied as taught by some orthodox mind-believers. Instead of spending time imagining
about the delusion of non-existence of the body, at the same time stimulating the delusion
by eating and all forms of activities connected with the body, one should instead spend his
time on God-contact. When that individual achieves spiritual ecstasy and becomes awake
in God-consciousness, he will realize that the universe with all its experiences are not his
dream but God’s dream, dreaming through Him.

Hence, all spiritual aspirants must first lead a life of spiritual discipline, observing the
more healthful vegetarian diet and meditating on God, and not claiming to be men of great
realization who are above all ordinary rules of physical life.

Rules About Fasting

Jesus had told before, that he, the bridegroom, the divine master, and his disciples
were not to fast on the Sabbath day as they were already saturated with divine
consciousness and needed no fasting to rise above the consciousness of the body. But
Jesus also said that when he would be taken away and his spiritual vibration would not be
physically present, the disciples would have to fast and lead a life of strict discipline.

Jesus could not very well ask the multitude to live on vegetables as there were very
little vegetables growing in Asia Minor and the desert places where he preached. Jesus
saw that the greatest thing he could do would be to saturate people with God-
consciousness and when they would become Godlike they would know what to eat.

Jesus always looked to the comfort of the people so he put them by fifties on the
green grass. That Jesus also loved order is evidenced by his arranging the multitude into
groups. St. Luke, reporting the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes, tells us: “And he said to
his disciples, ‘Make them sit down by fifties in a company.’

When the people were comfortable seated on the grass, receiving some magnetism
of the earth, Jesus took the five loaves and fishes and gave thanks to God and, looking up
into the astral region through his spiritual eye, he charged the five loaves and two fishes
with condensed cosmic energy, so that they contained in their small forms enough energy
to satisfy the hunger of five thousand people.

Jesus also cast his cosmic energy into the hungry stomachs of the multitudes
making them realizes they had enough energy in their brain and flesh to satisfy all the
hunger of the body and to supply the lack of energy experienced during the state of hunger.
Thus the multitude was fed with five loaves and two fishes.

If a small eye-dropper is connected to a big reservoir of water, that eye-dropper
would continuously drip one drop of water at a time. If thousand of persons drank the drops
of water coming through the little eye-dropper one at a time, they would be filled even
though the water came in tiny drops, but continuously. The water coming in tiny drops is
sufficient to quench the thirst of countless people. The five loaves and two fishes were broken up into tiny fragments but inwardly they were like the water continuously charged with cosmic energy so that they kept on continuously materializing themselves into different crumbs of bread and fish according to the divine commandment of Jesus.

The first human beings, symbolically called Adam and Eve, were materialized according to the will of God, but later they reproduced themselves through the medium of sex creation. Similarly, though bread is made by man and fish is caught by him from the ocean or lake, he forgets that the original wheat and fish and all things were created by the power of will and special creative energy of God.

Jesus Had God’s Power

Jesus, being in tune with God, had the power to create anything at any time. Jesus could command the cosmic energy to condense into electrons, protons, atoms and molecules of any kind, of any density and specific gravity. Thus, Jesus kept on materializing the fragments of fish and bread as they were used up; also, by his magnetic energy, he charged the multitude with enough magnetism so that they felt satisfied after eating little pieces of bread.

Jesus had this power of tremendous magnetism by which he could make five thousand people think and feel that they were satisfied by eating a few crumbs of bread and fish. Such mental miracles have been also done by some of the miracle workers of India. It must be remembered that the feeling of hunger can be taken away from an individual or many individuals by the suggestion of a strong will.

Jesus Was A Man of Great Precision

Jesus told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.” It is clearly evident in the above saying of Jesus that he actually multiplied the bread crumbs and fishes by cosmic energy so that after the five thousand were fed, there were twelve baskets filled with fragments of barley loaves and fishes. We see, also, that Jesus was a man of great exactness and precision. He taught his disciples to be economical and not to waste God’s bread and God-made-food. Jesus specially asked the disciples to gather up the fragments of bread and fish because they were the special creations of God on this occasion.

“Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, ‘This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.’ When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.”

(John 6:14-15)

Jesus never wanted to be a king of a temporal material kingdom, for he was already the Prince of the Universe, being one with the Father, and thus a true king of all kingdoms of the earth.
“And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone.”

(Matt. 14:22-23)

The fact that Jesus went apart to pray showed that he was still trying to develop in Spirit. When the ultimate, final state of God-realization is acquired, there is no necessity for praying because then one becomes always one with God, no matter whether one is in a solitary place or a crowded place. God does not need to pray or meditate because He is omnipresent and is seeking nothing beyond Himself. He is engrossed in His joy and need not attain any higher state than His own consciousness.

Our Evolution Depends on
Our Distance from God

All other beings who went out of God into matter can approach nearer and nearer unto the kingdom of God by giving up their prodigal roamings and desires in the land of matter. Souls are more or less advanced according to the various distances that exist between them and God during their return journey back to His mansion. Even Jesus, after his passing, took three days to meditate and work out his seeds of actions (karma) left over from past incarnations, and also to work out the sins of his disciples and devotees for which he partially took upon himself to atone.

“But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves; for the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, 'It is a spirit'; and they cried out for fear. But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, 'Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.'

“And Peter answered him and said, ‘Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water’. And he said, ‘Come’. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink; he cried, saying, ‘Lord, save me’. And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, ‘O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt’? And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased. Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, ‘Of a truth thou art the Son of God.’”

(Matthew 14:24-33)

“Be of good cheer that you are able to witness the miracle of God working through me; that I with my solid body can walk on the water and can talk to you. It is I, the same as you have seen me, with the same physical body. The Spirit in me is your Redeemer from all earthly troubles. Why should you be afraid of me?”
Great Yogis Can Perform All Miracles

The appearance of Jesus walking over the waters in view of his disciples is a miracle that can be performed by great yogis who understand the relation of mind and the electronic composition of the body.

When a man of realization discovers the entire cosmos as a dream of God and all matter as made of electrons and protons, light waves, he finds that he rises above the ordinary laws of matter. His body being made of light could not drown in the ocean also made of light.

An ordinary individual’s body drowns in water because he does not realize that his body is made of the same substance as the water. If a man was drowning in sleep, he would feel the suffocation of drowning during the sleep state. But while he was dreaming that his dream body was drowning in the dream ocean, if he knew the art of changing or controlling his dreams at will, then he could also behold his dream body floating safely on the dream waters by changing his dream thoughts.

The Art of Materializing Our Imagination

Ordinarily, a human being can imagine or visualize a solid body walking over the liquid waters of an ocean. Now if that person could concentrate deeply and materialize his imagination, he could dream or see a vision of his body walking on the waters.

Jesus, being in tune with God, knew that the cosmos was made of the different materialized dream-ideas of God. He saw that his disciples were rowing on a dream ocean and he saw his body was also a dream. Knowing the art of creating or dissolving the cosmic dream, he made the disciples who were under the delusion of a cosmic dream see a cosmic picture of his body walking on the ocean.

A glass of milk will dissolve in a gallon of water, but if the liquid milk was frozen it would float. Jesus, knowing the relation of will and body as differentiated dream waves or different electromagnetic waves, could do anything with his body in relation to all matter by mere willing. By will power he changed the specific gravity or the electronic composition of the body and made it float on water.

Iron of Materially

If a small piece of cork is tied to a heavy piece of iron, it will drown in a pot of water, but if the iron was separated from the cork, the cork would float on top of the water. Likewise, the body is overloaded with the iron of material consciousness. That is why it drowns in water. When the material consciousness is separated from the body by meditation, then the body can float on water or walk or fly in the air at will. In a dream when one beholds a dream body drowning in a dream ocean, he can by the art of changing dreams see that the dream body is floating safely on the dream waves. As a man can change his thoughts so a superman can change his experiences in the world, just by changing his intuitive convictions.

Peter by power of faith or mental concentration became attuned to the consciousness of Christ, free from the material dream of matter. Thus Peter as he went out of the ship could walk on the water as he approached Jesus Christ. But when Peter
concentrated on the boisterous winds, he forgot his divine consciousness. His habit of beholding matter as real came back into his mind and immediately he felt his body drowning. Peter cried out: “Lord, save me.” And immediately Jesus put forth his hand and caught hold of him, saying, “O THOU OF LITTLE FAITH, WHEREFORE DIDST THOU DOUBT?”

What Jesus Meant by Faith

“O Peter, why did you make your faith and cosmic consciousness little by contradicting it and driving it out by the ordinary consciousness of matter?” Jesus tells Peter that he should always keep his cosmic consciousness steady and not delude it with the consciousness of matter brought through the channel of the habit of doubt. By faith or steady conviction that God is all one can get away from the consciousness of matter.

It should be strictly understood that Jesus did not mean by faith, just mental belief which evaporates at the slightest contact with doubt. Jesus had elsewhere told that the harvest was great and there were few laborers to reap it. That is, God-consciousness and its powers are unlimited, but there are few people who steadily develop themselves by meditation so that they can form a steady conviction about the all-powerful nature of God.

One who is always conscious of the body is not conscious of Spirit. In sleep the consciousness of the body is forcibly and temporarily thrown away from the soul. But in meditation the body consciousness is consciously removed, and during ecstasy attained by deeper meditation a faith or deep mental realization comes about the immaterial, electric and mental nature of the body. The greater a man is on the spiritual path, the greater is his faith or meditation-born conviction about the immaterial nature of matter and his own body.

When Jesus scolded Peter for losing faith at the time when he was walking on the water, he meant: “O Peter, why did you diminish your intuition-born, Christ-consciousness-stimulated faith or Self-realization and revive your consciousness of matter through doubt?”
JESUS' TRUE MEANING IN SAYING:
“I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE:
HE THAT COMETH TO ME
SHALL NEVER HUNGER” –
CHRIST CONSCIOUSNESS
THE ONLY TRUE MANNA

“The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was none other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but that his disciples were gone away alone; (Howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias nigh unto the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks.)

“When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took shipping, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus. And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, ‘Rabbi, when camest thou hither?’ Jesus answered them and said, ‘Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.’”

(John 6:22-27)

Jesus said: “Verily of truth, I say unto you, by feeling your thoughts within me, I find that you seek me not because my divine miracles roused you to seek God through me, but because you are more interested to quell your hunger by the divinely-produced loaves which you ate to your fill. It is foolish for you to concentrate and use up all your time thinking of perishable food to sustain a perishable body.

“You should seek that divine wisdom and ever-new bliss found in meditation which once acquired will endure and help to nourish your life until it becomes immortal. The spirit within the Son of man or my body can teach you how to seek that divine bread of wisdom which can make your life everlasting. Transcendental God the Father has kept that salvation-giving, immortality-making bread of divine wisdom concealed in the Christ-Intelligence which you can contact in meditation by following my teachings through me.”

“Meat” or Substance

Anyone visiting Jerusalem and the surrounding desert territory will find out the people live mostly on bread and meat and very little on vegetables. Jesus uses the word “meat” because meat was one of the principal foods of the people who lived in his country.

But the word “meat” is not used at all times by Jesus to signify animal flesh. He used the word “meat” principally to signify substance.
Glossary:

“Meat which perisheth” – The food which is perishable. “That meat which endureth” - Divine bliss and wisdom which forever satisfy the soul and are its imperishable nourishments. “Sealed” - God has sealed all secrets and powers in the Christ Consciousness of Jesus to be given to all devotees who meditate on the soul within.

“Then said they unto him, ‘WHAT SHALL WE DO, THAT WE MIGHT WORK THE WORKS OF GOD?’ Jesus answered and said unto them, ‘THIS IS THE WORK OF GOD, THAT YE BELIEVE ON HIM WHOM HE HATH SENT’.”

(John 6:28-29)

“When people suffer and when devotees on earth send out their soul-call unto God, then He works and responds by sending a spiritually advanced divine son like me who by his exemplary spiritual life can teach people to be God-like and work God’s work in their own lives.”

God Sends His Special Messenger

In the preceding, Jesus is again saying that ordinary spiritual seekers come in contact with divine books or ordinary spiritual teachers through their inner call, but when a devotee is extremely anxious to know God, then a special messenger or advanced Guru-Preceptor arrives in divine response to the soul’s quest.

That is why Jesus is subtly pointing out that anyone who wanted to be actually like God and works His truth in his life, must follow somebody who has striven and already attained God Consciousness. He re-emphasized that anyone who wishes to work like God must do so through one who knows God. That is why Jesus said that it was the wish of God that true devotees believe in him and his teachings.

Glossary:

“This is the work of God” – The decree of God that anyone who was in tune with the Christ Consciousness in Jesus by deep meditation would find himself working the work and doing the will of God.

“They said therefore unto him, ‘What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? What dost thou work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’ Then Jesus said unto them, ‘Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. FOR THE BREAD OF GOD IS HE WHICH COMETH DOWN FROM HEAVEN, AND GIVETH LIFE UNTO THE WORLD.’”

(John 6:30-33)
“Verily, from the omniscient insight within me I declare unto you that Moses gave you spiritual inspiration but did not show you how to get the bread of heaven or the Cosmic Christ Intelligence hidden within Cosmic Vibratory Energy. It is the transcendental God the Father present beyond vibratory creation which sends you, through me, the knowledge of contacting the Christ Intelligence hidden behind the heavenly region of Cosmic Vibratory Energy. For the Christ Intelligence, the only reflection of God the Father which is hidden behind heaven or Cosmic Energy, came down on earth and became manifested in my life. Anyone who by meditation will be in tune with my life will be in tune with the everlasting life of Christ Intelligence which is the source that instills life in all living things in the world or cosmos.”

Belief Not Enough –
Living the Christ Life Is Necessary

Jesus was here pointing out to advanced devotees that a mere belief in him without living his truth in life could not possibly rescue them from the tentacles of cosmic delusion.

Jesus in the above words was explaining in parables what kind of bread could nourish the devotee and give him everlasting life. Jesus points out that bread signified the Christ Intelligence hidden in heaven or within all Cosmic Energy. The Cosmic Energy guided by the latent Christ Intelligence transmutes itself into different rates of vibration, creating semi-conscious life force, potentially conscious electrons and protons, atoms, and molecules which in turn form themselves into solid, liquid, gaseous, and astral living substances constituting the cosmos, island universes, stellar systems, planetary systems, solar systems, the earth and its human inhabitants. Jesus was pointing out that he came on earth not to uplift people only with simple inspirations, but with the distinct mission of teaching people how to expand their consciousness into Christ Intelligence so that they could feel the cosmos as their bodies and the Christ Intelligence as their own consciousness.

Jesus pointed out that no one except souls like him who are in tune with Christ Intelligence hidden behind Cosmic Energy could show other devotees the art of contacting Christ Intelligence. As a man is conscious of his mind cognizing any sensation at any part of the body, so a Christlike Master is aware of his consciousness present in everything and he knows and feels in his consciousness everything that occurs in any part of the cosmos. This is also what Jesus meant when he said: “ARE NOT TWO SPARROWS SOLD FOR A FARTHING? AND ONE OF THEM SHALL NOT FALL ON THE GROUND WITHOUT YOUR FATHER.” (Matthew 10:29)

God Is Consciousness of All

God is conscious of every point in space and matter, and saints who are in tune with Him become omniscient like Him. By “bread of God,” Jesus signified the Christ Intelligence which is present in Cosmic Energy working the work of creation. Jesus also pointed out that his body which came down on earth was not sustained by ordinary human consciousness but that Christ Intelligence was present within him – the same Christ Intelligence which gave consciousness and life to all living creatures in the cosmos.
Glossary:

“Gave you not the bread” – Could not give the all-redeeming Christ Consciousness. “Heaven” – The light or astral region behind space. “Father” – Cosmic Consciousness as a conscious Personality. “True bread” – The Christ Intelligence which is the true substance, sustaining all. “Bread of God” – Christ Consciousness emanating from God which is the divine bread sustaining all creation and created objects. “Is he which cometh down from heaven” – The Christ Consciousness which came down from infinite space and became manifested in the human body of Jesus. “Giveth life to the world” – Sustains all created things.
CHRIST PROMISES EVERLASTING LIFE
TO ALL HIS DEVOTEES –
ALL THOSE WHO BY MEDITATION HAVE
ENLARGED THEIR CONSCIOUSNESS
TO RECEIVE THE INFINITE

"Then said they unto him, ‘Lord, evermore give us this bread’. And Jesus said unto them, ‘I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE: HE THAT COMETH TO ME SHALL NEVER HUNGER; AND HE THAT BELIEVETH ON ME SHALL NEVER THIRST. But I said unto you, ‘That ye also have seen me, and believe not. All that the Father giveth me shall come to me, and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.’"

"FOR I CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, NOT TO DO MINE OWN WILL, BUT THE WILL OF HIM THAT SENT ME. And this is the Father’s will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that everyone which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

(John 6:34-40)

"The Christ Intelligence and the enlightened I-AM (or Ego, human Consciousness) in me are one, thus the Christ Consciousness in me is the source of life and consciousness of all living beings. Because the Christ Consciousness is manifest in my life and I am conscious of it, any devotee who comes to me with a receptive attitude and who disciplines his life according to my teachings, will find the hunger of all mortal and spiritual wants forever satisfied.

Human beings, being a reflection of God’s image, can never remain satisfied with material things. All their material and spiritual hungers are satisfied only by tuning in with their divine nature in Christ Consciousness. Any soul who comes to me (that is, any soul who can permanently contact his human consciousness with the Christ Consciousness within me) shall find all the hunger and craving of his earthly desires fulfilled forever. The devotee who occasionally is in tune with the Christ Consciousness which is present in him and me and believes or is convinced of being able to contact that Christ Consciousness and the ever-new bliss in it, will find that, unlike the ordinary man, he will not thirst for the temporary joys of material things."

What Is True Belief?

“But I say unto you that you who have only seen me (my body) and have not felt the Christ Consciousness within it have not believed as to what is in me.

“That devotee who tunes in his devotion and attention with my consciousness, no matter how sinful or error-stricken he is, I will never forsake him. He is my brother who unknowingly hides the image of God’s consciousness beneath his delusion-stricken mind. For the consciousness hidden behind my earthly body is the same universal Christ Consciousness which is present behind heavenly Cosmic Energy. As the Christ Intelligence
in all creation is in tune with the will of God the Father existing beyond creation, so is my will tuned with His will.”

Foretells His Crucifixion

“The will of God the Father vibrates within my human consciousness and intimates to me that all the power of Christ Intelligence and Christ Consciousness which was reflected into me during my earth-life must be consciously used by me (without my losing any iota of it during the physical crucifixion of my body) and retained after death, on the last day, when the seeds of actions of all my past lives (karma) will be forever finished. On that last day after my crucifixion I will lift my Christ Consciousness and unite it with God the Father’s Consciousness after attaining final victory over all my karmas.

“And this is the will of God the Father who is the Creator of my body and the Christ Consciousness in it, that every advanced devotee who in the light of his meditation-developed intuition becomes one with the Christ Consciousness or only-reflected (begotten) Son of Christ Intelligence in creation and is able to retain that consciousness of unity (believing in the unity with Christ Consciousness attained in meditation), that illumined soul will find his life one with the everlasting life in Christ Consciousness.”

All Karma Destroyed

“And on the last day when my seeds of actions are burned up in the fires of wisdom, then I will lift my Christ Consciousness in creation to the region of Cosmic Consciousness existing beyond creation, and my human consciousness and my body after crucifixion, being in tune with the ultimate, all-powerful Cosmic Consciousness of God the Father, will also find immortality.

“I will then perceive my body not as a part of temporary change but as an emanation of the changeless immortality, and then my body tuned to Cosmic Consciousness, after overcoming the delusion of its crucifixion, will also dissolve in the Cosmic Consciousness, retaining its individuality, materializing anywhere, anytime, at my will or at the devotee’s call. Through my universal Christ Consciousness each devotee convinced of the presence of Christ Intelligence within will be lifted up forever on the last day when all his stored-up seeds of action in the physical, astral and causal bodies will be removed from his soul.”

“Bread of Life”

In the above, “bread of life” refers to the Christ Consciousness which sustains all the souls of all living beings. It must be noted that the two phrases “cometh to me” and “believeth on me” have different significance. “He that cometh” signifies a soul who is one with Christ Consciousness, and “he that believeth” signifies one who has only occasional Christ Consciousness by meditation.

When Jesus speaks of “everyone which seeth the Son,” by the word “seeth” he means the power of intuition or feeling which can see, hear, smell, taste or touch. It is quite evident that all people who saw Jesus Christ 1900 years ago were not saved and there are many Christians today who believe in Jesus Christ and yet are not saved, because they consciously know nothing of him in wisdom nor do they try to feel him in meditation. Only
those who have developed the all-knowing intuition by regular, deep meditation can see or intuitively perceive the Son or Christ Consciousness which exists beyond the states of consciousness, sub-consciousness, and dreamless superconsciousness.

“The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, ‘I am the bread which came down from heaven.’ And they said, ‘Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that he saith, I came down from heaven? Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, ‘Murmur not among yourselves. No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me. Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.’

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, ‘HE THAT BELIEVETH ON ME HATH EVERLASTING LIFE. I AM THAT BREAD OF LIFE. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.’"

(John 6:41-51)

Men Born By Compulsion

“Do not murmur or vibrate with doubt, thus dislodging the divine understanding which I am trying to transmit among you. You are too material to understand who I am.

“Most people come on earth being compelled by the seeds of actions of their past lives. But in my final incarnation as Jesus when I shall attain final liberation, I come not for my own liberation only but for helping others to liberate themselves by showing them the art of contacting Christ Consciousness and Cosmic Consciousness.

“You all think that your earthly father was the cause of your human birth, but I know even though my body was born to the house of Joseph, still my earthly temple and the Christ Intelligence in it came on earth directly through the will of the Father to fulfill a mission of liberating souls. Likewise, remember that you who are so near my body cannot realize or come near the Christ Intelligence in me.

“You must realize that no one who is identified with his earthly body can be one with me, the Christ Intelligence which is present beyond the state of human consciousness, subconsciousness, and superconsciousness. Only devotees who deeply see God are blessed and are so directed by Him that they find the right teachings and meditate and go beyond the subconscious, conscious and superconscious states to be one with the Christ Consciousness in all creation. Even you who are close to my body have had some good karma by which the Heavenly Father sent you to me. Every devotee who meets a divine superman is so blessed by the Heavenly Father who responded to the devotee’s spiritual cravings.”

Devotees Will Be Liberated

“Every devotee who by the earnestness of his spiritual desires and by deep meditation every day often communes with Christ Consciousness, will find, on the day
when all his seeds of actions of all lives will be burned in the fire of his Christ wisdom, that I, the Christ Intelligence present in him, will lift his consciousness from the domain of matter to the kingdom of completely liberating Cosmic Consciousness.

“The older prophets who communed with God wrote that all those who will come near me will be taught the way of communing with God the Father through Christ Intelligence attained in deep meditation. Every truth-seeking man who has heard the Cosmic Vibration in meditation emanating from the Cosmic Consciousness will find that he has to feel the Christ Consciousness in all creation before he can finally feel the Cosmic Consciousness which vibrates beyond all creation.”

Tuning In With Christ

“And I say unto you, no man who is identified with his body can possibly see or be one with God the Father, or Cosmic Consciousness existing beyond creation. Only those attain who have lifted their inner being from consciousness, subconsciousness, superconsciousness and Christ Consciousness to Cosmic Consciousness by deep meditation and conscious ecstasy. He who has learned the art of communing with God the Father by hearing the Cosmic Vibration and feeling the Christ Consciousness in it, is of God and has seen or become one with Cosmic Consciousness the Father, by the all-feeling power of his developed intuition.

“Verily, through the Cosmic Consciousness in me, I declare unto all, that the devotee who really believes in communing with the Christ Intelligence in him by daily deep ecstasy has found his life tuned to everlasting life. The human consciousness (I-Am) in me is one with the Christ Consciousness (bread) which sustains the souls and lives of all.

“Your forefathers ate the so-called manna or divine inspiration in the wilderness of silence and still they are dead, - that is, their souls have not eternally awakened in wisdom and thus freed from births and deaths. I know this from my omniscient Christ Consciousness which knows the history of all souls on earth. But this Christ Consciousness (bread) which was hidden behind the heavenly ramparts of Cosmic Energy and is manifest now in my body can produce deathlessness in true devotees who can with their human consciousness eat or absorb the Christ Consciousness in everything.

“The I-Am human consciousness in me is united with the ever-living Christ Intelligence which is hidden behind heavenly Cosmic Energy and which is manifested now in my body. If any devotee continuously nourishes his life with this bread of Christ Intelligence, he shall find his life united forever with everlasting life. And the bread or Christ Intelligence manifesting as my flesh or condensed Cosmic Energy I will give to the true devotee that he may unite it with the life force in his body (life of the world or life felt in the world) and make it immortal.

“For worldly people in general, that they might awaken and try to find the everlasting life in them, I will sacrifice my flesh on the cross which after three days will be quickened into Christ Consciousness and immortality.”

In the above Jesus speaks of bread as the Christ Consciousness within him and goes on to say that his Christ Consciousness and flesh are one and the same. Jesus could say this because he saw that his flesh was not as ordinary human beings perceived it, but was nothing but the emanations of Christ Consciousness.
Delusion of Separation

If a man in a dream sees that he is going to be crucified and then is crucified in the dream, he realizes on waking that his dream-perceived body, before his dream crucifixion and after his dream crucifixion, was an inseparable manifestation of his own consciousness. So Jesus Christ, when he was foretelling that he would give up his flesh in crucifixion as a symbol of sacrifice of material happiness of the body for spiritual bliss of the soul, realized that the Christ Consciousness within his body and the body both were everlasting, being nothing but the emanations of one God consciousness.
JESUS’ TRUE MEANING:
“EAT MY FLESH AND DRINK MY BLOOD” –
WHY DID CHRIST
ALLOW JUDAS TO BETRAY HIM?
DID GOD OR SATAN USE JUDAS
AS AN INSTRUMENT OF DESTINY?

“The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, ‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ Then Jesus said unto them, ‘VERILY, VERILY, I SAY UNTO YOU, EXCEPT YE EAT THE FLESH OF THE SON OF MAN, AND DRINK HIS BLOOD, YE HAVE NO LIFE IN YOU. WHOSO EATEST MY FLESH, AND DRINKETH MY BLOOD, HATH ETERNAL LIFE; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father; so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.’”

(John 6:52-58)

The Jews murmured among themselves, “Is this man advocating cannibalism by offering people his flesh?” Jesus answered them and their doubting materialistic minds which were unable to understand his wisdom hidden behind parables, as follows:

“Unless the devotee eats and absorbs the flesh of Christ Consciousness hidden in the Son of man or human body, and drinks his blood or absorbs the vitally-giving Cosmic Energy present in it, he cannot feel the everlasting life present within him.

“Most of you are the living dead, walking dead; you do not perceive the everlasting life in you, nor do you charge your life with Cosmic Energy and your consciousness with Christ Consciousness hidden behind your body consciousness.

“Any devotee who can absorb in his human consciousness my Christ Consciousness by ecstasy and who can unite his life force in the body with my omnipresent Cosmic Energy (blood), will find his consciousness immortal and his life eternal. For my flesh of Christ Consciousness present in all souls is the real meat or the substance which can forever satisfy the hunger of wisdom of all souls. The Christ Intelligence-guided Cosmic Energy (my blood) is the only vitality that can charge the human life with immortality, and quench the thirst of all human desires of earthly life.”

“Eateth My Flesh” or Absorb My Consciousness

“That devotee who by deep ecstatic meditation has absorbed my Christ Consciousness in his human consciousness and recharged his life force with the Christ Consciousness-guided Cosmic Energy, is united in his being with Christ Consciousness.
The ever-living God the Father (Cosmic Consciousness present beyond vibratory creation) is the One that has reflected His everlasting life in the Christ Intelligence (present in all vibratory creation). That devotee who absorbs (eateth) Christ Consciousness or Christ Intelligence, finds that his consciousness and life are sustained forever by Christ Consciousness which is equally present in the body of the devotee and my body which is called Jesus Christ.

“This is the Christ Consciousness or bread which is hidden behind heavenly Cosmic Energy and is manifest beneath the body called Jesus Christ. Your fathers who ate the manna of temporary spiritual inspiration have not fully awakened in wisdom nor been freed from rebirths and deaths, but any one of you who by deep meditation absorbs in his consciousness the Christ Consciousness (bread) will find his life united to eternal life.”

In the above words of Jesus, one must strictly understand that he is speaking of very profound truths in parables. He speaks of his flesh as bread or Christ Consciousness present in all vibratory creation, and of his blood as Cosmic Energy. Christ Consciousness and Cosmic Energy are inseparable, as Christ Consciousness is the reflection of Cosmic Consciousness (which is beyond creation) manifested as Cosmic Energy or vibratory creation.

Difference Between God the Father and Christ the Son

God the Father and Cosmic Consciousness are one and the same thing, Christ the Son and Christ Consciousness are one and the same thing. God the Father emanated from Him His son, Christ Intelligence, and Cosmic Energy (the Holy Ghost). As a son cannot be born without the dual instrumentality of the father and the mother, so Christ Intelligence could not exist without the dual instrumentality of God the Father and Cosmic Energy. Therefore, Christ Intelligence, the bread or flesh, and the Cosmic Energy or blood, being inseparably together, work to manifest the different forms of creation and cosmic manifestations.

Jesus Christ speaks of the bread and the flesh as one and the same thing. The flesh of the Son of man refers to the Christ Consciousness present in the body of Christ as well as the body of any individual. “Drink his blood” refers to the Cosmic Energy to be united with the life energy, both of which are present in the human body and can be united by wisdom. “Eat” refers to the act of absorbing. The word “drink” in “drink his blood” refers to recharging the life force with Cosmic Energy (blood).

Symbolic Christian Rites

There are ceremonies in Christian churches in which people drink blessed wine as the blood of Jesus Christ and blessed bread as his flesh. This is symbolical. This ceremony should remind true devotees that by learning the technique of meditation from a Christlike soul they can learn to eat or absorb Christ Consciousness (bread) in their consciousness and drink or recharge in their lives the blood or Cosmic Energy present in Christ Consciousness, and thus attain everlasting life.
“These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum. Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this said, ‘This is an hard saying; who can hear it?’ When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, ‘Doth this offend you? What and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before? It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing; the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him.”

(John 6:59-64)

“I am astonished to find that not only do you not understand the priceless wisdom I give to you but you are misunderstanding and murmuring about it. You doubt my words and wonder at my sayings, but how much more amazed you would be if you saw my body, the Son of man, go back to the Christ Consciousness whence it came?”

Jesus here means that his consciousness was tuned already with Christ Consciousness, and that his body, though visibly apart from that consciousness, could go back to it. Jesus was hinting that his body, being an emanation of Christ Consciousness, would merge in it when the proper moment arrived.

Jesus Promises Proof

Jesus tells his doubting disciples that if they wonder at his amazing sayings they would have cause to be further astonished when they would behold his body after crucifixion return to life and be received by Heavenly Christ Consciousness. In other words, Jesus promised his doubting disciples a demonstration of the truth contained in his subtle sayings.

“When you concentrate on the Spirit, you understand that it can enliven your temporary life with eternal life. It is the flesh consciousness or doubting material consciousness within you which will yield you no profit, no lasting happiness. It is your spiritual understanding that can quickly lead you to your goal of eternal emancipation.

“Your fleshly consciousness, your identification with material matters, and the doubts born of them, will not give you ultimate happiness. You must realize the words of wisdom which I speak unto are charged with the Cosmic Consciousness of the Spirit and can give life to the spiritually dead like some of you who believe not that the universal panacea of all human suffering lies hidden behind the words of my wisdom, if they are truly applied in life.”

When Jesus speaks of his words being Spirit and Life, he tries to convey the truth that every word has two aspects – the consciousness contained in it and the energy which it produces. When a mentally sick man is repentant and hears the word “peace” from a saintly individual, he is saturated with the consciousness of peace and mental encouragement or life-giving energy. Thus Jesus made it clear to his disciples that if they were in tune with him they would feel the Christ wisdom of Spirit behind his words and life-giving energy contained in them.

Living Words of the Master

The words of Jesus did not come from a book. They emanated directly from his fountain of Cosmic Consciousness and all life-sustaining energy. Those who are spiritual
and wise retire every day behind the forest of thoughts and seek the caves of silence hidden in the rock of contemplation. There in the caves of silence the true devotee can drink from the fountain of Spirit and Life, flowing from the words of Jesus. All masters like Christ who are tuned with Christ Consciousness give forth words which are charged with the Cosmic Consciousness of Spirit and its all-sustaining life force.

Due to his all-seeing wisdom which could trace the law of cause and effect governing the actions of any individual, Jesus knew from the beginning who believed in him and who would betray him:

“And he said, ‘Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.’”

(John 6:65)

“For this cause doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.”

(John 10:17-18)

“From my divine consciousness I know those of you who have stored up good actions and karmas and I have earned divine compassion by which you will be actuated to follow me. I know also those with bad karmas who will leave me. No materially-minded man can reach and be in tune with the Christ Consciousness within me unless by his devotion he has appealed to the Supreme God, the Father.”

In the above Jesus pointed out to his disciples that it was not easy for anyone to recognize the Christ Consciousness in him unless that individual had gained previous good karma and the cooperation of the Cosmic Law.

“From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve, ‘Will ye also go away?’ Then Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life, and we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.’ Jesus answered them, ‘Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?’ He spake of Judas Iscariot the Son of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve.”

(John 6:66-71)

Power of Free Will

It is clear that Jesus was not in doubt as to whether his chosen twelve disciples would go away from him, but he respected their free will and reminded them that they could remain with him or go away if they pleased.

It must be clearly understood that elsewhere when Jesus said, “The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few,” he distinctly emphasized that the harvest of God Consciousness could be reaped by using the free will for spiritual labor by self-discipline and meditation. The law is that the more one spiritually labors, the more he will reap the spiritual harvest of God Consciousness.

Devotees ordain the happenings of their lives according to prenatal and postnatal seeds of action (karma); therefore, when Jesus said, “Have not I chosen you twelve (according to your karma) and one of you is a devil?” he did not speak of this as an
inevitable arbitrary ordinance of God. He told this from his intimate knowledge of the inner life of all his twelve disciples.

Prediction About Judas

If Jesus was sure that all his twelve disciples were prisoners of destiny and were ordained to remain with him, he would not have asked: “Will ye also go away?” Jesus knew the disciples, though influenced by karma and cosmic law, still had free will to be with him or to forsake him. In fact, Jesus predicted his betrayal at the hands of Judas in order to warn him, that he might reform and refrain from doing the evil act. Judas was the best unpaid and unemployed publicity agent of Jesus Christ, and indirectly helped greatly to broadcast the ideal life and teachings of Jesus Christ to the world.

Was it a Plan of God or Satan
To Test Judas?

The question arises – was it God who planned that Judas should betray Jesus and thus serve as a divine scapegoat? Or was it Satan, the Cosmic Evil, who planned it? In order to understand this very complex situation one must clearly grasp all the causes which operated to bring about the circumstances of Jesus’ betrayal by Judas.

Jesus Christ in his divine consciousness felt the ignorance and wickedness of the people around him. He picked twelve as the best he could find among them. Of course it must be remembered that Jesus chose the twelve disciples because he knew them and had already trained them in former lives so that they could act as his perfect messengers to work out the will of God during his last incarnation on earth.

Jesus knowingly chose Judas as his disciple because he had already trained him in a former incarnation and had accepted him as a spiritual son in spite of his wickedness. Just as a father cannot forsake a wicked son who is born of his own blood, so a Guru-Preceptor cannot forsake a spiritual son or a disciple who becomes wicked.

Jesus Loved Judas

Jesus knew that the eleven disciples by their spirituality would spread his cause into the world, and Judas by his betrayal would offer him (Jesus) a great test leading to his final victory over evil. Jesus chose Judas as a disciple, for he had already chosen him in past lives, and considered him as a prodigal son. Jesus loved Judas and gave him the opportunity of being better in the Christlike environment of the disciples. Foreknowledge of his betrayal by Judas did not prevent that great heart of Jesus from accepting Judas in the divine family of his disciples.

Judas had been a good disciple but in his last life, just before he died and was born as Judas, he had made up his mind to forsake his better nature and become greedy and evil. Judas had within him plenty of latent prenatal good seeds of actions by which he attracted the company of his former Guru-Preceptor, Jesus Christ, but because of a buried evil tendency of greed he betrayed his master.
Jesus as a spiritual doctor diagnosed the life of Judas as it had been in many incarnations, and knew of the hidden bomb of financial greed hidden in his subconscious mind which would explode in the form of betrayal.

The Cosmic Evil Force also knew about the manifestation of God in Jesus and what he was going to do to destroy the kingdom of delusion. That is why this conscious Satanic force of delusion or evil used the weakness of Judas to betray Jesus Christ.

God and Jesus Christ in turn also knew how Satan was to influence Judas through the invitation of his own bad karma (action). God also knew that even though the Satanic force of evil would cause Jesus to be crucified, yet Christ would attain final victory over satanic delusion by redeeming his soul through the sacrifice of the body, and by resurrecting his body again through the power of his soul force.

God did not try to overcome evil by evil material force. That is why Jesus did not want to borrow twelve legions of angels from his Father to be saved, but allowed himself to be crucified. Satan thought that by the betrayal of Judas, Jesus would be killed, and thus prevented from spreading the kingdom of God which is detrimental to the existence of the kingdom of Satanic delusion.

If Jesus had used supernatural force to destroy Satan, he would have been victorious. But if Jesus had been afraid to die for God and had loved his body, he would have had to reincarnate, remaining a slave to delusion and Satan. Even though Satan succeeded in crucifying Jesus temporarily, still Jesus, by his resurrection of soul and body, foiled the wishes of Satan.

On the other hand, Judas and Satan, by crucifying Jesus, drew the attention of the world to Christ and spread his message all over the earth. God knew that Jesus, by resisting evil with evil, would get into the toils of evil, but by trying to overcome evil by good would ultimately be victorious over all evil.

Evil destroys itself. Evil ultimately becomes the tool of God in an indirect way. For evil, trying to destroy good, makes it a martyr and thus immortalizes it.

These truths explain why Jesus was predicting about his crucifixion. Just as a good student knows he is surely going to pass in the examination, so Jesus knew that though his own test, according to his own karma, the karma of Judas, and the agency of Satan, would be very great, he would ultimately through crucifixion pass the final examination of his earth life and after three days would be forever freed.
“Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, ‘Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.’ But he answered and said unto them, ‘Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? For God commanded, saying, ‘Honor thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.’ But ye say, whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; And honor not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.’

“Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, ‘This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoreth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.’”

(Matthew 15:1-9)

“Tell me, why do you spend your time in following localized customs and forget to follow God’s commandments? Tell me, which is a greater sin – to ignore tradition and follow God’s commandments, or to ignore God’s commandments in order to follow traditional customs? You know full well that in order to outwardly appear holy you prefer to follow your traditional customs and utterly reject the commandments of God.

“For God commanded, that is, God vibrated his law and wish through the prophet’s intuition: ‘Honor your father and mother with the devotion of your heart as they are the divine instruments of your creation and he that curseth or uses vile language or thinks evil thoughts against his father and mother, let him die the death’ – that is, let him be remorseful with the agony as intense as death and let him change himself and his consciousness even as one is changed in death.”

“Honor Thy Parents”

“One must remember that the parents are the physical incarnations of God who protects the baby. Therefore, a son who blasphemes against his parents blasphemes against God who manifests on earth as the parental love which protects the son. Yet you have made laws which enable a man to be free from his obligations to his parents, and thus help him to break the commandment of God for honoring father and mother.

“O ye hypocrites, who are outwardly holy and inwardly wicked, how fittingly Esaias prophesied about you after feeling these truths from his consciousness of cosmic vibration. Indeed he prophesied correctly about the nature of those who come to Masters with sweet language and respectful utterances but with hearts sunk deep in the depths of insincerity. In vain do such men worship me, since they teach for doctrines the commandments of men in preference to the commandments of God.”
“Wash Your Souls”

“Because you have laid aside the law of God for perfect living as revealed through the prophets, you have clung to useless traditions of men, such as the washing of hands before meals. Isn’t it better that you wash your souls by following the pure laws of God as revealed through the seers rather than spend your time in following traditional customs which produce no lasting spiritual results?”

Many priests of East and West emphasize the following of traditional rules in preference to the following of the spirit of spiritual rules. Some of the ancient Jews made a law that if a man in a fit of anger or with wicked intentions promised to give his earthly goods to the service of the temple and even though they might never be utilized for the purpose, he could not then be required to give those goods to help his needy parents. Obedience to this Corban law made by man amounted to disobedience of the commandments of God. Jesus by his criticism pointed out how the following of this ceremonial law might lead to the violation of divine law.

“And he called the multitude, and said unto them, ‘Hear, and understand: NOT THAT WHICH GOETH INTO THE MOUTH DEFILETH A MAN; BUT THAT WHICH COMETH OUT OF THE MOUTH, THIS DEFILETH A MAN.’”

(Matthew 15:10-11)

“Lend me your attention, all of you, and by tuning your attention with me try to understand that no outward custom or evil environment can affect a man from outside his consciousness, but any experience or thought which gets into his consciousness and saturates it and then comes out of him as an evil desire or action does desecrate him and bring suffering unto him. If any man has the ears of understanding, let him understand.”

In the above Jesus points out that the action of his disciples of eating bread without washing their hands did not affect their souls. The Pharisees and scribes who practiced holy customs outwardly were not affected spiritually inside and were thus hypocrites.

Jesus says that no matter what the outer environment, whether good or bad, it cannot affect a man like the good or bad in his own heart. A virtuous man in a bad environment usually remains good, and a wicked man in a good environment usually remains evil.

Jesus does not say that the outward environment has no effect on man but he emphasizes that the inner environment of man is of more importance than the outward environment. A man should first establish good within his soul, think good, and live good, and automatically he will attract a good environment. But a man who emphasizes the following of outwardly practiced good customs but does not take care to drive the evil thoughts coming out of his inner self, is defiled and full of evil.

In order to know a man, one should judge him, not from his outward actions but according to the springs or motives of his actions. It is the evil motive coming out of a man which actuates him to do evil, nothing else. Of course, there are some evils committed by children through imitation. In that case, of course, the children cannot be held responsible. But when the child does evil through his own innate desire, he becomes increasingly evil and is defiled.
An Experience With
My Great Master in India

Once my great Master, Swami Sri Yukteswarji, watched me raise my hand to kill a mosquito was biting my body. But when he found that I suddenly changed my mind, he said: “Why don’t you finish the job?” In astonishment, I replied: “Why, Master, do you advocate killing?” To that the Master replied: “You have killed the mosquito in your mind already and have already committed the sin. What is the difference if you do not kill it physically?”

The Master did not mean that whenever anybody has a desire to kill a man or a mosquito, he should kill them, but he meant that a man should not feel the desire to kill at all. For the desire to kill, harbored in the mind even for a moment, might turn the individual eventually into a murderer. But it must also be noted that it is better to suppress the desire to kill anything or anybody than to commit the actual act of killing. But it is the greatest achievement when one can remain free from evil thoughts which are the basic cause of all evil actions.

“Then came his disciples, and said unto him, ‘Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?’ But he answered and said, ‘Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: They be blind leaders of the blind. AND IF THE BLIND LEAD THE BLIND, BOTH SHALL FALL INTO THE DITCH.’”

(Matthew 15:12-14)

“Every plant of human law of living which is grown only on the soil of tradition is a weed and shall be destroyed by the Cosmic Law as useless to mankind. All those rules that the prophets have declared through their cosmic consciousness as useful to mankind will endure to the end. Let the Pharisees alone. Leave them in their much-loved self-created darkness. The Pharisees are spiritually blind leaders of their spiritually blind followers. If the spiritually blind lead the people blind with ignorance together they must fall into the misery-making ditch of ignorance.”

Parallel Quotation

There is a parallel quotation in the Hindu Scriptures which says: “A blind man leading the blind; both are misled.” In the above words Jesus expressed indignation; for the disciples felt that he had offended the Pharisees. Jesus replied by saying that all evil man-made customs would perish and God-made eternal rules of life would endure to the end.

“Then answered Peter and said unto him, ‘Declare unto us this parable.’ And Jesus said, ‘Are ye also yet without understanding? Do not ye yet understand that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.”

(Matthew 15:15-20)
“O you, my true disciples, are you also without divine understanding? Don’t you understand that any outward custom cannot spoil a man because he does not feel it in his heart?”

Heart, Seat of Feeling

According to the great Hindu Master, Patanjali, the feelings of the heart are responsible for all our entanglements in earthly lives. According to him, man was sent on earth as a perfect image of God to be entertained there. But when a man forgets the immortal nature within him, and forms likes and dislikes in his heart about material things, he becomes earthbound. He reincarnates on earth due to the likes and dislikes in his feelings acquired in past lives.

The soul that comes on earth and experiences everything with non-attachment in the heart does not reincarnate but becomes liberated in God from which it came. Man is sent on earth to witness earthly experiences with the attitude of a divine being made in the image of God. But when man builds likes and dislikes in his heart about all earthly experiences, he becomes entangled in them.

That is why Jesus emphasized that actions like eating bread with unwashed hands does not touch a clean heart. The bread only affects the stomach whereas evil thoughts affect the soul. But those springs of action which appear as evil language and come out of the mouth, come from within the heart which first feels evil and then manifests it in spoken language.

Evil Thoughts Defile

Those evil thoughts which man feels within himself actually defile him. Evil thoughts act as a smoke screen of ignorance which hides the purity and everlasting joy of the soul from the conscious mind of a man. A man who feels evil and harbors wrong thoughts from within him is unable to perceive the evil-hidden subtle beauty of his own soul. A man who lives in the darkness of evil invites physical, mental and spiritual suffering.

A man who thinks bright and cheerful thoughts and feels noble thoughts within him finds that through the transparency of his inner luminous living all the beauty and joy of his soul pours forth and shines into his conscious mind.

Jesus said: “Don’t you know, dear ones, out of the evil tendencies stored up in the heart of men (chittwa or feeling) through their past stored-up bad karma, all evil thoughts and actions spring? Desires for adultery, and adulterous actions, fornications or idolatry, desires for murders and murderous actions, theftful thoughts and theftful actions, covetous thoughts and covetous actions, desires to appear as false witnesses and the acts of appearing as false witnesses, desires to deceive and deceitful actions, lascivious thoughts and actions, desires to curse and curseful actions, desires to blaspheme and blasphemous actions, feelings of pride and boastful actions, and all foolishness, are the children born out of the wicked tendencies stored up in the heart of man, through his ignorant actions of his life and past forms of existence. All these evil tendencies defile him, bringing all forms of miseries unto him. But outward ceremonies such as eating with washed hands do not affect the soul of man.”
“Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, ‘Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.’ But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, ‘Send her away; for she crieth after us.’ But he answered and said, ‘I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.’”

(Matthew 15:21-24)

“Whenever the earth becomes burdened with sin then from time to time as needed the Heavenly Father sends a self-made spiritual Master to a special race where the spiritual hold is needed most. That is why, although my teachings are universal and will be applicable and useful to all lives on earth at all times, still I am not sent for all present, as I have been especially ordained by the Heavenly Father to act as the spiritual shepherd to the bewildered sheep of spiritual seekers belonging to the house of Israel. The Israelites once were deeply virtuous and stored up prenatal good karmas (past actions) and tendencies in their souls so that their accumulated power of good karmas sent out a silent call to the Heavenly Father. In response to that call the Heavenly Father sent me as the Savior of the Israelites in this cycle.”

The Lord’s Promise

The above words of Jesus distinctly point out the truth of the greatest Hindu Bible, Bhagavad Gita, which declared, centuries before the birth of Christ: “O devotee Bharata, as often as there is decline of virtue on earth, so often I, the Spirit, ordain some form of Mine to incarnate on earth to give everlasting life to the virtuous and show the sinful how to destroy their sins. In order to establish the predominance of virtue on earth, I, the Spirit, appear through the different incarnated souls of Masters from time to time in different cycles.”

Christina, The Prophet

Christina appeared many centuries before Christ to redeem the virtuous Pandava people of India who were oppressed by the wicked Kurus. He was one of the great Masters who was able to fully manifest all the qualities of God in his life, and through the sage Vyasa gave India its greatest Hindu Bible, Bhagavad Gita.
Buddha, The Compassionate

Buddha appeared in India to prevent cruelty to men and animals. He incarnated there when the message of mercy was extremely needed. He emphasized the necessity of developing sympathy for men and animals, in order to feel the presence of God in all. Through Buddha many sacrifices of animals in the temples were stopped.

Jesus, The Christ

Five centuries later Jesus appeared to bring the message of faith and devotion and healing of body, mind and soul.

Philosopher Shankara

In the Seventh Century A.D., Swami Shankara (Shankaracharya) incarnated to bring the positive idea of God as the ever-existing, ever-conscious, ever-new Bliss. The positive conception of God was much needed for the over-intellectualized classes of India, who had developed a doctrine of annihilation as the ultimate end of life. This evil doctrine arose from a misinterpretation of the idea of Nirvana or cessation of rebirths taught by Buddha. He merely had said that desires cause rebirth and any soul who overcame material desires would be free. He did not mean that souls would cease to exist.

A soul who is free from material desire, according to Swami Shankara, became united to the positive state of ever-existing, ever-conscious, ever-new God of bliss.

Swami Shankara pointed out that God, being ever-new Bliss, was a universal necessity and the highest goal of life which everybody should strive to attain by discrimination and meditation of the inner Self where the Infinite Spirit as the ever-new Bliss could be found secreted.

Later on Sri Chaitanya came in India to spread the true love of God. In modern times Lahiri Mahasaya came to show Christians and Hindus and all other devotees the scientific technique of concentration and meditation by which they could contact God. Lahiri Mahasaya especially emphasized that all religionist should rise above their superficial differences, concentrate on the universal principles of morality, and learn the highest technique for tuning the mind with the Infinite.

Lahiri Mahasaya

Lahiri Mahasaya’s doctrine is especially unique in the fact that, apart from advices on moral culture and self-discipline, it gives definite techniques of step-by-step Self-realization by which one, through the attainment of various superconscious, Christ-Conscious and Cosmic-Conscious states, can ultimately merge in the Supreme Being.

Lahiri Mahasaya’s teaching is specially suited to the modern age and for people of all religions because it does not ask anyone to believe anything dogmatically, but by definite technique to find out all the truth about himself and God. Lahiri Mahasaya has given to the world different techniques of meditation which produce distinct universal states of Self-realization until Cosmic Consciousness is attained by the highest ecstasy.
Each of the above Masters or Saviors, by their own self-made spiritual effort, manifested different degrees of God’s qualities in their lives. All Masters, when they are almost fully spiritually developed, come on earth through the will of God to carry out His special dispensations. These Masters are often called Incarnations of God but it should be strictly remembered that God Himself in His full perfection never comes down on earth through any human body.

If God came as a human being and displayed the limitations of a human being He would be imitating the frailties of human life. All prophets of God who come on earth were tempted and had to overcome certain human frailties in order to attain the final state of Cosmic Consciousness. If God appeared in a human form He could not be tempted and if He were merely playing out the part of overcoming a temptation, being really aloof in His divine consciousness, then that temptation was no temptation to God at all. God can overcome temptation for He has no inclination to be tempted and if He were merely playing out the part of overcoming a temptation, being really aloof in His divine consciousness, then that temptation was no temptation to God at all. God can overcome temptation for He has no inclination to be tempted and thus He certainly could not be an example to human beings who are really tempted. But when human beings find that Jesus was tempted but by his divine consciousness overcame his human consciousness then they, too, hope and feel encouraged to overcome their own strong temptations.

Jesus Was a Fit Instrument
To Work Out God’s Plan

The truth is that Jesus, having attained high self-development by self-discipline, prayer on mountain tops, and meditation through many lives, was chosen by God to be a suitable instrument to show suffering mankind the way by which any soul could spiritually labor and reap the plenteous harvest of divinity.

It must be distinctly remembered that God does not manufactures Christlike souls in heaven and send them on earth to play out divinely-planned parts to inspire weak mortals.

Human Even As We

A God-created Jesus Christ crucified on the cross could not have felt physical pain; his crying-out: “Father, forgive them for they know not what they do,” would then be only an utterance of a divine automaton.

Jesus Christ was tempted, he wept, he suffered like any other human being, but through the accumulated development of many incarnations by which he exteriorized the potential image of God Consciousness hidden within him, he became a Christ or one endowed with Christ Consciousness.

Two quotations from St. Paul bear on this point:

“For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.

“Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted.”

(Hebrews 2:16-18)
“For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.”

(Hebrews 4:15)

Because Jesus was human and divine and by spiritual labor reaped the plenteous spiritual harvest of God Consciousness, therefore the Heavenly Father sent him on earth to work out his last efforts for final salvation there. At the same time, while Jesus was striving to attain his finality on earth, he was to serve as a spiritual example to misery-laden people of the earth.

Prophets Knew About Jesus

Prophets who declared the coming of Jesus Christ on earth were spiritually advanced enough to know the inner life of the man Jesus through many incarnations. That is why the ancient seers knew exactly what would happen in the life of Jesus Christ during his incarnation on earth, even as astronomers by mathematical calculations can predict the appearance of comets years before they are visible. There are many Old Testament prophecies concerning the life and death of Jesus Christ.

Equality of Souls

All souls of men are potentially the perfect images of God. Hence there is no difference between the soul of an ordinary individual and the soul of a Master. The difference between an ordinary human being and a Master, however, lies in the fact that the human being by his charcoal mentality does not reflect the sunlight of God, whereas the Master by his own diamond mentality fully reflects the sunlight of God falling on him.

Great Masters who have fully attained the lost consciousness of God within themselves are all essentially equal; but they are differentiated according to their works on earth. Masters are distinguished according to the number of Christlike souls they have helped to produce on earth and according to the number of people they have inspired during their stay on earth. Jesus created eleven Masters from his twelve disciples. Lahiri Mahasaya created almost as many Masters – one of them was Sriyukteswarji, my own teacher. He had attained the state of Christhood.

Special Dispensation

Now we understand why Jesus said: “I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” Jesus said this in order to declare his special divine dispensation on earth and not because he was narrow-minded or partial to the Israelites.

“Then came she and worshipped him, saying, ‘Lord, help me.’ But he answered and said, ‘It is not meet to take the children’s bread, and to cast it to dogs.’ And she said, ‘Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters’ table.’ Then Jesus answered and said unto her, ‘O WOMAN, GREAT IS THY FAITH: BE IT UNTO THEE EVEN AS THOU WILT.’ AND HER DAUGHTER WAS MADE WHOLE FROM THAT VERY HOUR.”

(Matthew 15:25-28)
“Let the divinely ordained children, the Israelites, be first spiritually served by me. According to the will of God my first help during the short period I stay on earth is for them only and it is not proper for me to give the bread of divine consciousness which is now to be given to the divine children of Israel to any of the more materially-minded peoples.”

Short Stay On Earth

It must be remembered that Jesus realized the short period of his stay on earth and that he could not possibly give his divine consciousness to the whole world, which was too unready. He wanted to give his time only to those who were spiritually ready and had good karmas and had thus attracted the attention of God. Jesus was only trying to carry out the divine wishes in his life. But even though Jesus knew that he came principally for the Israelites, he did not refuse to heal the daughter of the foreign woman, who was “a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation,” St. Mark tells us (7:26). To her he said: “O woman, the pulling power of thy will and conviction is great enough to draw the all-healing Cosmic Energy from me, so let thy will be fulfilled. Go your way: you will find the Cosmic Energy, roused by your faith and my will, has dislodge the evil spirit from the life of your daughter.”

The Reality of Satan

Obsession of human beings by evil spirits and healing of such cases are not a primitive superstition. We clearly see this in many of Jesus’ healings, as in the case of his woman of Canaan and her daughter, who was “grievously vexed with a devil,” and whom Jesus healed through the mother’s great faith in him. Jesus, with his perfect integrity and divine knowledge, would not have referred to such cases as obsession by evil spirits if they had only been cases of hysteria or lunacy. He distinctly called forth the obsessing spirit on many occasions, and the victim was then made whole.

The cosmic evil force employs thousands of evil disembodied souls to work mischief in the world. As all good is organized by God and His angels, and as God sends His spiritually advanced children on earth from time to time to eradicate evil, similarly, the mighty evil force, Satan, with a vast horde of evil spirits, is carrying on a campaign of organized wickedness throughout the universe.

Millions of bacteria and all kinds of evil diseases, evil thoughts, evil passions, are all implanted by the evil force into the mind and body of man. Man is essentially made in the image of God. But Satan planted in man greed, selfishness, anger and all evil tendencies which have overclouded the purity of human souls.

It has been elsewhere described* how tramp souls possess weak-minded people and torture their brain, causing mental derangements. Cases of such obsession are not wanting in the world. Sex maniacs, possessed by an evil spirit, take joy in attacking and killing women.

In the notorious case of Hickman, who deliberately dismembered a little girl after spending days with her, we realize that he could not do such a heinous act unless he had been possessed by the devil. Normally Hickman was a devout church student and had a good reputation. When he was captured he said that even though he had led a clean life outwardly, he used inwardly to feel possessed of an irresistible impulse to kill innocent girls.

* In Chapters 3 and 14 of Volume I of The Second Coming of Christ published by Amrita Foundation, Inc.
He said that he had to kill this girl and had planned to do so for days – that he could never rest until that obsession of killing was satisfied.

The case was distinctly one obsession. An unseen murderous soul entered the body of Hickman, due to the attraction of his past evil karma secretly lodge in his brain as a predominant tendency, hidden behind many other superficial good tendencies.

Satan Tempts Masters

Great masters, when they approach final liberation, can distinctly see Satan and his legions of evil spirits take form to offer a final resistance against the masters’ entry into heaven. When Jesus approached complete liberation, he was confronted with Satan who took him to a mountain top, giving him a glimpse of the vast earthly kingdom he could receive if he forsook the state of God Consciousness.

Buddha was confronted by Marax who appeared to him in the shape of dancing-girls, trying to tempt him to give up his divine bliss for sexual pleasure. When Buddha remained unaffected, final liberation came to him.

Satan tries different masters with difficult temptations. Great devotees of God, as they approach toward Him, are mysteriously tried by various temptations which come into their lives. But when devotees are very near God, Satan then forsakes his hiding place and openly appears to defy them.

Is Satan Symbolical?

There was a time when I used to believe Satan was a symbolical force, a metaphysical delusion, but now I know and add my testimony to the testimony of Jesus Christ that Satan is responsible for all the creation of evil on earth and in the minds of men. I have consciously seen Satan many times obstructing me by mysterious misfortunes, and by consciously-taken materialized forms while I was receiving the grace of God.

God is alluring His devotees by all good things to come unto Him, and Satan by the pseudo-allurement of promises of happiness is trying to draw people to his pit of ignorance and misery. Man is free to choose God-made good things or Satan-made evil. Every time a man acts for good he goes toward God; every time he yields to the Satan-established habits of greed, anger, and other evils within him, he goes toward Satan.

Hence man should consider all the whisperings of his conscience and good tendencies as the call of God within him. All human beings must consider the prompting of all evil thoughts as the call of Satan and avoid them.

Voice of Conscience

If man continuously listens to the whisperings of conscience within him and gets used to better ways of living, he ultimately discovers the eternal good within him and that he is made in the image of God, thus becoming liberated. Satan breaks his promises to give lasting happiness through evil to his followers. Ultimately all Satan’s followers will turn away from him to God.
Every master, when liberated, feels the obsession of ignorance within him gone. With the disappearance of the obsession of ignorance from an advance devotee, great changes occur within him. All devotees under the influence of cosmic delusion behold matter as matter, and see dualities of good and evil and the relativity of consciousness which reveals matter as different forms of solids, liquids, gaseous and astral substances. But when the influence of Satan is completely terminated in the soul, the liberated devotee finds only the presence of ever-existing, ever-conscious, omnipresent, ever-new, blessed Spirit present in all space. All evil, all discrepancies of nature disappear as forgotten shadows from the consciousness of the illumined devotee.

“And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coast of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, ‘Ephphatha, that is, BE OPENED.’ And straightway his ears were opened and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.”

(Mark 7:31-35)

“By my sigh I absorb thy evil karma and its resultant sorrow and your sickness within me; I have commanded the all-healing heavenly energy to fall upon thee and thy brain and send the healing vibrations to loosen up the defective auditory an speech nerves. Be healed.”

“And he went out from thence, and came into his own country; and his disciples follow him and when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing him were astonished, saying, ‘From whence hath this man these things? and what wisdom is this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him. But Jesus said unto them, ‘A PROPHET IS NOT WITHOUT HONOUR, BUT IN HIS OWN COUNTRY, AND AMONG HIS OWN KIN, AND IN HIS OWN HOUSE.’ And he could there do not mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief.’

(Mark 6:1-6)

A street lamp sheds light everywhere except directly under it where there is some shadow. Similarly, a prophet illumined with God sheds light unto all and is widely appreciated except, often, by those of his own family or those belonging to his own country who live near him in a family or racial and not a devotional relationship. The family members and neighbors of a prophet, due to their emphasis on human relations, do not realize the greatness in him.

**Familiarity Is A Danger**

A judge may be feared or admired in the courtroom but may be only a husband to his wife and subject to admonishment by her. It is a natural psychological fact that
familiarity breeds contempt. People who live near a great man often do not realize his greatness because of their lack of attention on him, but the people who live far from a prophet and have no familiarity-consciousness when they hear of his greatness, come with attention and devotion, not to get used to him, but to appreciate the divine greatness within him.

That is why it is natural for devotees to understand the greatness of their Master. With the telescope vision of devotion the devotees can visualize the vastness of the consciousness of a Master, whereas the family members with their vision clouded by familiarity do not measure the greatness of a Master’s soul.

**Unrecognized Beauty**

It is the same thing with most people who live around the Himalayas. They never recognize its beauty, grandeur, vastness and its lofty peaks because their attention is on their home life and not on the Himalayas. They have lived near the mountains so long that they are used to them. But visitors who come from distant lands with an eager attitude of mind appreciate all the greatness and vastness of the Himalaya Mountains. Similarly, the family members of a prophet, being used to his bodily presence, do not use their attention to see his greatness hidden behind his body. But devotees who come to the prophet with devotion realize his spiritual greatness.

Because of the unbelief of the people of his own country, Jesus did not demonstrate many miracles there, except that he used the positive-negative poles of his hands to utilize the cosmic energy and heal those who had faith in God’s power in him.

“*And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and came into the coast of Magdala. The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven. He answered and said unto them, ‘When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. And in the morning, It will be foul weather: for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? A WICKED AND ADULTEROUS GENERATION SEEKETH AFTER A SIGN; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.’*”

(Matthew 15:39, and 16:1-4)

**Jesus' Divine Signs**

“O you hypocrites who can read the evil weather or the good weather on the face of the sky, why can you not read in my life the signs of the times, that is, the divine message of the present age? As ignorant people cannot read the weather in the face of the sky, so this wicked generation has lost its spiritual vision and cannot recognize the divine sign and message in my life, evidenced in the miraculous healings of God performed through me.

“Jonah came back alive after living three days in the whale’s belly in a suspended state of animation, thus proving the immortality of life and body when they are charged with God Consciousness. A similar sign or divine miracle shall be performed by God in connection with my life, when my crucified body will remain buried three days beneath the tomb and after that will be resurrected into immortality.”
Prophecy About Resurrection

Thus Jesus signified that the miracles worked in his life by God were sufficient sign and testimony of His approval of Jesus. He also prophesied, by his reference to Jonah, about his own coming trial and resurrection after death which would prove his immortality and divine heritage for all time and all peoples.

Jesus, being human as well as divine, felt deep sorrow, picturing in his divine vision the misery which his wicked contemporaries would have to go through because of their bad karmas and refusal to be divinely cleansed by him.

“And when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread. Then Jesus said unto them. ‘Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.’ And they reasoned among themselves, saying, ‘It is because we have taken no bread.’ Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, ‘O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have no bread? Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?’ Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.”

(Matthew 16:5-12)

No Material Worries

“O beloved disciples, why do you, by confusion and restlessness, make your faith or Self-realization born meditation so little that you fail to understand what I say through your all-seeing intuition, but use the power of reason and become confused? Why do you not feel in your intuition what I say and try to understand that in your reason? Having spiritual eyes of wisdom and intuition you do not use them to see the truth in my sayings; having the ears of spiritual receptivity you do not use them to understand the meaning behind my words. Do you not remember how the Divine in me fed the five thousand with five loaves, and how there were many baskets of bread crumbs left over?

“O beloved disciples, why have you so little divine conviction that you worry about material bread when you have already witnessed how, through God, I fed multitudes with a few loaves? Why should your minds be thinking of bread and thus fail to understand what I mean about the leaven or poisonous doctrines of the Pharisees and Sadducees? Do you do not understand that when you can have all the bread you need from me, why should I be warning you about the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees? Beware of their false doctrines that are not the bread of life which you find in my teachings, but poisonous bread which, when taken by any one, would sicken his spiritual life with ignorance.”
“And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him. And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought. And he looked up, and said, ‘I see men as trees, walking.’

“After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly. And he sent him away to his house, saying, ‘Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town.’”

(Mark 8:22-26)

Jesus would not heal the man in the town of Bethsaida, nor permit the man to testify to the healing in the town, because Bethsaida had rejected Jesus, and he had said of it (Matt. 11:21) “Woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.”

Jesus knew that every particle in his body, including his sputum, was charged with the high voltage of all-healing cosmic energy. He took it and smeared it on the eyes of the blind man and electrified them with the positive-negative current flowing from his hands. Then Jesus asked if he saw clearly. The blind man replied, “I see men as walking trees.” Then Jesus gave a second healing to the eyes of the blind man by charging them with all-healing cosmic current and asked him to look up at the point between the two eyebrows where the spiritual eye is located. When the blind man lifted his eyes there he made a contact with cosmic energy and his eyes were healed completely so that he could see every man plainly.

“And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into towns of Caesarea Philippi.”

(Mark 8:27)

In order to reach the final state of emancipation Jesus was praying and communing with God within the solitude of his soul, in the company of his disciples. It must be understood that if Jesus had reached the state of final emancipation he, being one with God, would not have had to pray or commune with Him. The Hindu Scriptures say, “The flower precedes the fruit.” When the fruit appears, the flower withers away. Thus, the flowers of meditation and prayer should blossom in the garden of the devotee’s consciousness, but when the fruit of Self-realization comes, his flowers of divine meditation and prayer wither away. The devotee who has already found Self-realization and has
arrived at the very last state of Cosmic Consciousness does not have to meditate. Jesus did not reach the final state of emancipation until after his resurrection.

Mind Completely Engrossed

The prophet Christna asked one of his disciples why he did not meditate, saying unless he meditated he would not find God. But the devotee, who realized Christna was the manifestation of God, replied, “O Christna, my mind is day and night so engrossed in you that I cannot take it away from you to mediate on any other spirit other than yourself who is the highest manifestation of the Spirit Himself.” To this Christna said nothing and laughed, for he realized that his devotee and himself had reached the final union in Spirit. Of course, those devotees that have not reached the final union must not imagine that they are one with God and thus give up meditating and laboring for the plenteous harvest of God Consciousness.

“When Jesus came into the coast of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, ‘Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?’ And they said, ‘Some say that thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.’ He saith unto them, ‘BUT WHOM SAY YE THAT I AM?’ AND SIMON PETER ANSWERED AND SAID, ‘THOU ART THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD.’

“AND JESUS ANSWERED AND SAID UNTO HIM, ‘BLESSED ART THOU, SIMON BAR-JONA: FOR FLESH AND BLOOD HATH NOT REVEALED IT UNTO THEE, BUT MY FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN. And I say unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.’

“And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.’ Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.”

(Matthew 16:13-20)

(The knowledge of the law of reincarnation possessed by Jesus and his contemporaries which is implied by Jesus’ question and his disciples’ reply will be dealt with elsewhere in this series of Bible interpretations.)

Blessed Revelations

Jesus said: “I care not what people in general think of me, but tell me what you realize.” Peter answered: “In thee is the manifestation of Christ Consciousness which is the only begotten Son or only reflection in all vibratory creation of God the Father who is beyond creation.”

Jesus answered: “Blessed art thou by your own good karma and the blessing of the Father that through your intuition He has revealed unto you the truth about me. Anyone identified with flesh and blood cannot perceive the Christ Consciousness within me. It is the Father omnipresent in his Heavenly Cosmic Consciousness who through your exalted consciousness has revealed to you the nature of Christ Consciousness which is within me.
And I say unto thee, O Peter, thou has realized, ‘THAT thou art’ and thus your consciousness is one with Cosmic Consciousness.” (Swami Shankara and the Vedas use the words tat twam asi: “That thou art” – thou art one with the Cosmic Father.)

“O, Peter, on the solid rock of your wisdom which is founded on Cosmic Consciousness, I will build my temple of wisdom, church of God-Consciousness, where seeking souls will find God after they reach the altar of meditation within it. And the decorated gates of misery-making, hellish sense pleasures will not be able to lure those seeking souls who once have felt the joy of entering the church of Christ Consciousness built upon the rock of my teachings through you. Through the perception of Christ Consciousness within you you will ultimately find the keys of the knowledge to enter that heavenly region where the King of Cosmic Consciousness or God the Father reigns.

“Through your exalted consciousness, after feeling the Christ Consciousness in all creation, you will know the technique by which to feel the Cosmic Consciousness beyond all creation. And I shall leave these keys (techniques of God-contact) with you so that anybody who can enter the church of your consciousness, that is, is in tune with you, will also get the keys, when he is ready to and deserving of entering the kingdom of Cosmic Consciousness.”

Laws of Freedom

“Whatever laws of superconscious living thou shalt give to discipline earthly souls will have the sanction of the Cosmic Consciousness or the Heavenly That-Thou-Art consciousness which you have realized within yourself. And whatever laws of superconscious freedom which you will instill in earth-bound souls or material souls will also be the ones that govern the emancipated souls who possess Cosmic Consciousness.”

In the above, the words “flesh and blood” signify body-consciousness which is detrimental to the realization of God Consciousness. A person who is only conscious of the body and not the Spirit within it cannot realize the Christ Consciousness hidden behind it. Jesus explains that it was not the body consciousness of Peter, but the Christ Consciousness in him, revealed through Cosmic Consciousness, that made it possible for Peter to know the manifestation of Christ Consciousness in Jesus. He further says Peter had attained the “That-Thou-Art” Consciousness or Cosmic Consciousness and, on the rock of that wisdom, Jesus was going to build the church of his inner teachings.

“Gates of Hell”

“Gates of hell” signifies sense pleasures as compared to the pleasures of divine consciousness which one feels on entering the church of meditation. The words “I will give unto thee” refer to the revelations of Christ Consciousness. The word “keys” refer to spiritual techniques. The words “kingdom of heaven” signify Cosmic Consciousness where God the Father reigns as the only King.

“From that time forth began Jesus to show unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.
“Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, ‘Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee.’ But he turned, and said unto Peter, ‘GET THEE BEHIND ME, SATAN: THOU ARE AN OFFENCE UNTO ME: FOR THOU SAVOUREST NOT THE THINGS THAT BE OF GOD, BUT THOSE THAT BE OF MEN.’”

(Matthew 16:21-23)

“O satanic delusion, speaking through the mistaken sympathy of Peter, drop away from my consciousness and remain forsaken behind as I am marching toward the kingdom of Cosmic Consciousness. As I am filled with enthusiasm and thrilled with joy at the prospect of enduring temporary bodily pain on the cross in exchange for everlasting joy in Spirit, I am offended, O satanic delusion, at thy words of sympathy which thou has spoken through Peter. For thy words, O Satan, even though they are garbed with Peter’s voice and sympathy, clearly reveal the consciousness of delusion-possessed worldly men and do not vibrate with the wisdom of Cosmic Consciousness.”

Delusive Sympathy

In the above words, Jesus emphasized that if he yielded to Peter’s sympathy he would actually be embracing delusion, and thus giving up his preparedness to perform the difficult divine duty which had been revealed to his vision. That is why Jesus rejected Peter’s sympathy. Although Peter wanted to banish the thought of any ordeal coming to Jesus, still, in the echo of those words was the temptation of Satan who wanted Jesus to forsake his crucifixion and thus fail to fulfil the plan of God.