
A PARENTHESIS IN ETERNITY

Chapter: Attaining the mystical consciousness

Topic: *The Spirit Of The Lord Hath Anointed Me*

No one—not a parent, not a wife, not a husband, not a child, not a friend—should ever share the depth of a spiritual experience—no one but your teacher, if you have one.

BEYOND WORDS AND THOUGHTS

Chapter: God Revealing Himself As Christ on Earth

Topic: *Secrecy Imperative*

1963 Kailua Private Class

523:1 or 524:2

Live in the word *I*. But be careful, be careful! It has always been lost by revealing it to the unprepared thought—always, always! It has made some persons believe that they humanly had power or were powerful: “Oh, I am God,” and they began to try to be God, and they destroyed themselves. . . No one becomes a power over anyone else: he becomes a transparency for the power of Spirit, the power of love, the power of life, the power of liberty—not a power over the personal life of anyone.

Secrecy is the womb of spiritual life, and every experience should be taken right into that womb and kept sacred.

Chapter: Rising to Mystical Consciousness in Prayer and Treatment

Topic: *Let Your Consciousness Be Prepared To Feed A Hungry World*

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The real preparation will come forth from the degree of silence and secrecy in which you maintain yourself, because then you will not be wasting your substance on the air, or wasting it by letting it hit up against the human mind that would like to dispute it, argue with you, and discuss it.

Do not think that you are called upon to share this Grace with those outside, for you are not to do this until they come seeking It, and then only as you realize that they are seeking It, not the “loaves and fishes.” You will never be called upon to go out into the world to proselyte, to save it, or to tell what you know.

CONSCIOUSNESS IN TRANSITION

Chapter: Opening Consciousness to Truth

Topic:

1948

You never have to tell anyone that you have found the pearl of great price. In the first place, if you told it, it would be the best evidence available that you hadn't found it.

Chapter: Spiritual Healing

Topic:

1948

Please remember, the practical application of this truth is that when you are called upon for help, do not feel that it is necessary to pass truth on to your patient. Any truth that reveals itself within your consciousness instantly reveals itself to the consciousness of the person appearing as your patient.

CONSCIOUSNESS TRANSFORMED

Chapter: divine sonship

Topic:

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Do not forget that spiritual truth should not be placed before the human mind. Keep it secret, keep it sacred, and voice it only when you are with someone whom you know will receive it in the same secretness and sacredness.

Topic:

A student who is well along on the path must expect that trials are going to be more severe than for the beginner, because the further you go, the closer you come to the realization that it is a battle within and not outside. Whether the government or your wife or your husband or your friends or your neighborhood objects to truth, the responsibility is yours. . . because in the final analysis you had no right to tell them what is going on in your consciousness. When you learn this, you will learn to be still and work out your religious initiation within yourself.

Chapter: the adjustment must be made within your consciousness – Secrecy

September 1963

Topic:

You say, “You are voicing [the Truth], Joel.” Yes, but there is a difference, I am not voicing it to you. I am voicing it to my Self. I am not interested whether you are hearing it. I am voicing it to my Self, and the Self of me which is the Self of you will hear it. Therefore, even after I have voiced it, it is still locked up in me.

Secrecy is a spiritual principle. Secrecy is an actual substance that holds within itself your experience, to bury your experience in the principle of secrecy and just let the fruitage appear outwardly. . . Go and tell no man that the *I* of you is God.

Chapter: The Word Becomes Flesh

1963

Topic:

I try not to lay down laws, but I have no hesitancy in sharing my personal experience and so I will say this to you: Never give truths of this nature to people unless they have shown their readiness for it by their dedication. The world will tear you to ribbons.

Chapter: three lost secrets

1964

Topic:

The relationship between you and your Father must be one that takes place within you. The moment you start to talk to anyone about it, you have turned your back on the Father within you. You are then communing with a man, not with the Father within you. . . Ah, yes. We offer a book or pamphlet, but if the individual does not respond, we drop it there.

All of the Father’s grace and all of the Father’s peace is mine to give, to share. Therefore, in secrecy, I give God’s grace and God’s peace.

Chapter: Your Door to Infinity

1964

Topic:

Do you not see why I had to sit with this message as a practitioner in an office for sixteen years before I could teach it and before a book was written. . . Spiritually teaching comes out of an attained consciousness, not out of an intellectual knowledge.

A strange thing about truth is that it really doesn’t have to be spoken. Once you have an inner conviction of it, it shines out of your inner being to those who are receptive.

LIVING BY THE WORD

Chapter: The Nonattachment of a Developed Spiritual Consciousness

1961 Waikiki Infinite Way Study Center 2:2

Topic: *Spiritual Consciousness Brings Freedom To The World*

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As long as you keep your mind stayed on God, as long as you acknowledge God in all your ways, you have within you the same Spirit, the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Therefore, wherever you go, you are a benediction; you are a blessing to any individual, to any group, to any meeting—by the power of silence, not by the power of speech.

MAN WAS NOT BORN TO CRY

We must become centers through which the grace of God can escape. . . Our greatest value to the world lies in our periods of silence, secrecy, and sacredness.

SPIRITUAL POWER OF TRUTH

You may be living in an atmosphere of opposition to this Truth. If so, you don't ever have to voice it, you don't have to let anyone know you are thinking this Truth. Outwardly, you can conform: "Suffer it to be so now," or "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's." You can say anything you want with your lips, but what is important is taking place in your consciousness.

THE CONTEMPLATIVE LIFE

When [truth] is received in our consciousness, it is not fruit ready to eat, to enjoy, or to share with our neighbor. It is only a seed. . . it must be cared for, nurtured, fed, and tended. It must be permitted to fulfill itself, take root, break open, and begin to blossom. It is for this reason that we must keep these gems of truth locked up within us, not sharing them with anybody regardless of how close to us he may be, because if we do. . . we lose the grace of God. A hard saying, yes, but true nevertheless, because what we are doing then is giving away what does not yet belong to us and is not yet fruit, but only a seed.