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## A PARENTHESIS IN ETERNITY

Chapter: Living The Mystical Life

Topic: *Living In, Through, And By Spirit*

Illumination brings freedom from dependence on persons and things, and the only perfect human relationship there can ever be is one in which we do not look to anyone for anything. It is impossible to want anything from anybody and not have friction develop.

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## BEYOND WORDS AND THOUGHTS

Chapter: God Revealing Himself As Christ on Earth

Topic: *The Indissoluble Union*

1963 Kailua Private Class 1963 Kailua Private Class

523:1 or 524:2

It has been taught for two thousand years that “I and my Father are one,” yet very few persons have attained any measure of awareness of that relationship with Deity. “I and my Father are one” means I am that One. “He that seeth me seeth him that sent me,” but how far short we fall from realizing that we are that He and from living out from the basis of being Spirit, rather than a man seeking Spirit.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS IN TRANSITION

Chapter: Prayer and Receptivity

Topic:

1948

Now, you will have to take this on faith. There are pleasures in the spiritual realm that transcend anything there is in humanhood. There are pleasures, there are joys, there are harmonies, there are friendships that transcend any type of human relationship you have ever known. It is worthwhile to stick on this path. It is worthwhile to set your sails for uncharted seas, for the wide horizon, for the places that the average human won't ever find, won't take off for, won't give up material comforts for, won't surrender family life for. There are wonderful, wonderful places.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS TRANSFORMED

Chapter: An idea whose time has come

Topic:

1963

As humans we are enslaved by words. A word gets a grip on us, and then we are the victim of that word. Among the words that have enslaved us are *he*, *she*, and *it*. . . But watch the difference when you can look over the heads of all the he's, she's and it's in the world and realize, “God is the source of my good. God is the source of my supply. God is the cement of my relationships,” and instead of getting angry at he, she, or it, get angry at ourselves for being enslaved by he, she, or it.

Chapter: divine sonship

Topic:

3/3/63

As a claim arises, whether it is one of disease, false appetite, sin or lack, your answer is, “My harmony is dependent only on my relationship to my source—God. . . This is the truth that which, if you know it, will make you free; but you must actually know it to the point of conviction that your good is an amount up to infinity is yours because of your relationship to God.

Know this, that the world is always tempting you to a belief in the absence of something. . . but remember that the antidote is shutting out that appearance, and realizing that nothing is absent from your consciousness because of your relationship with God.

Topic:

Are you your brother's keeper? No, except to the extent that you are the keeper of the truth about your brother and your neighbor. . . Spiritually you must hold no one in bondage to humanhood. You must maintain the consciousness of everyone as being God-consciousness individually expressing itself. In the healing work this is very important, because there is a temptation to believe that the patient or the patient's family is interfering with his spiritual progress. This is not true. This again in judging by the five physical senses in which you have "made a human being," . . . No, you have not. You have accepted the false sense of sense testimony, for it is a universal relationship that "I and my Father are one" and that *one* is God.

Chapter: relationship of oneness-2

3/10/63

Topic:

Hidden manna is probably one of the most important and vital realizations of my life. What does it mean? The hidden manna is the truth I know, the truth of my relationship with my source.

Chapter: Spiritual Love

1963

Topic:

To love spiritually means to love without an iota of sensuousness and without an iota of personal sense. Spiritual love has no relationship to marital love, or parental love, or any form of human love. . . Unless you have the capacity to love spiritually, you are not on any religious or metaphysical path at all.

Chapter: the inner life

3/24/63

Topic:

We are looking to consciousness to live our lives, not in a personal way but in an individual way, and show forth its qualities. You would be surprised how different you are from the mask you wanted the world to believe was you. . . If I know that whatever I am, I am because of my relationship to God, that I am heir of God to all of its character and qualities, then I am not building up my personal ego but I am deflating it.

Chapter: The tree of life

3/17/63

Topic:

Humanly we have no relationship with each other, but spiritually there is this bond. When you see it in this way, you never receive anything from anyone without heartfelt thanks to them as an instrument, but neither do you forget to look further and see that it came to you by virtue of the spiritual bond.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS UNFOLDING

Chapter: God Revealing the Infinity of Being

1949

Topic: *Love Is The Basis For All Relationships*

Did you ever stop to think that there would be no relationships at all between human beings, if there were not love to cement that relationship? . . . Love is that basis for all relationships.

Real religion is the knowledge of God and of our true identity. . . the relationship of God and man.

There is nothing gross or sensual about the relationship between friends, and in the same way, the marriage relationship can be normal, happy, and natural without coming down to the level of animalism.

We must be in the world but not of it in our relationships with each other. . . We must be in the world of these relationships and enjoy them all, but become attached to none.

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## GOD, THE SUBSTANCE OF ALL FORM

Chapter: Nature of the Individual as Consciousness

1949

Topic: *God Is The Only Being*

Every relationship in life is based on the belief that there are two or more of us. . . All spiritual truth, on the other hand, is based on the fact that there is only one *I*, one Consciousness, one Soul, one Spirit, and I am that *I am*.

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## LIVING BY GRACE

Chapter: Freedom In God  
Topic: Spiritual Freedom

When a problem of any nature arises, trace it back, and you will see that it really is not your problem at all. It is one that has been placed upon you by virtue of a family relationship or some other. This is how you will benefit from it. Once you recognize a problem is not yours, the problem is three-quarters on its way to being solved. The difficulty comes from your claiming it as "my problem." It is the word my that blocks us from the unfoldment of the solution. Come to a place of realizing that it really is not your problem at all, and you will see how soon the solution comes.

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## LIVING BY THE WORD

Chapter: Except the Lord Build the House  
Topic: *Bringing God Into Every Experience*

1961 Maui Work 3:1  
391 or 474

As long as we are relying on human relationships for our good, we are not permitting God to build our life in order that it may function harmoniously. Our real life is lived in the consciousness of Cod's presence. Our hope, faith, and dependence must not be upon one another, but upon the spirit of God that I indwells us. . . In serving even "one of the least of these" with beauty, service, art, wisdom, grace, we are serving God. Every beggar that comes to our door to be fed by us is our service to God. Every worthwhile product sent forth from our shop dedicated to the service of God is a blessing to man and is under God's grace.

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## LIVING THE ILLUMINED LIFE

Chapter: The Fourth Dimension  
Topic: *Infinite Consciousness Is Never Locked Up In A Body*

1958 London Open Class  
230 4:2

When we pray, when we commune with God, we are at-one: with all men and all women who are praying. We are at-one with spiritual consciousness throughout this world and the world that have been and the worlds that will be. We are never alone because there is no such thing as our consciousness being locked up in our head, in our chest, or in our solar plexus. Our consciousness fills all space; that is the nature of *I*. It cannot be localized or "finitized" for that is an infinite relationship with infinite Being.

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## LIVING THE INFINITE WAY

Chapter: God Is Omnipresent  
Topic:

1954

Remember that as an individual you are a branch, and you have within you this divine sonship drawing unto you all that you need. In your relationship to the world, you now become the vine, and you are the one who is drawing truth from God and letting it flow from you to your neighbors, be they men, women, or children, animal, plant, or mineral.

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## OUR SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Chapter: The New Life By Grace  
Topic: *Across The Desk*

1960

. . . a crucifixion of the physical sense of body, a crucifixion of the material sense of supply, a crucifixion of the human sense of relationships. . .

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## SPIRITUAL POWER OF TRUTH

A lot of people would like to convince us that, if we are spiritual, there will be no sexual relationships. However, if that is so, then we will be so spiritual that we will not have to eat, either, or drink water—and I do not believe that we are going to reach that for a while. I do believe that our spiritual life, for a long time to come, is going to lived on earth, and that the method of this progressive life will be as it is now—only, instead of being accepted as just a human act, it is going to be understood as God's way of revealing Himself, or His Son, on earth. It is God's way of expressing Christhood on earth. Then the whole of this life is going to be as sacred.

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### THE EARLY YEARS (32-46)

In proportion as you live in the calm assurance of God as the only presence and power can you release yourself from mental argument. As conviction comes to you of man's relationship to God as God manifested, as life expressed, can you realize the harmony of being which knows no fear of sin or disease. Uppermost in thought must be the understanding that even that which appears to ignorant, illusive sense as error, is suggestion; that which is called accident, under action or overaction, is mirage or nothingness. Then, we do not attempt to heal, correct, improve, but we rest—yes, we rest in the certainty that "as in heaven, so on earth, God is omnipotent, supreme." Silence human thinking by learning to listen; by stilling the material senses with, "peace, be still."

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### THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1956

You must let God into your life by bringing Him into all your relationships—with parents, teachers, friends, and everyone with whom you have even the least contact.

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### THE JOURNEY BACK TO THE FATHER'S HOUSE

The fact that anything I may think about another person is what is going to come back to me one day makes me careful. That is where the purity comes in. It is necessary for us to be pure in our relationships with one another because the moment we let ourselves become too human we drag ourselves down into humanhood again. What we are thinking of the other, we are doing to ourselves.

Each one of us is intended to be a blessing to all the earth: the animal world, the vegetable world, the mineral world, the human world. but we are not being that blessing to one another except in proportion as we have this spiritual purity, in that, looking down into this consciousness, we can see that it is all the same consciousness. We are all embodied in this One. We are all deriving our life, soul, mind, and spirit from this One. We are deriving our good from this One. . . Out here often we are not aware of what we are doing, because, caught up in humanhood, we do not know our relationship to one another.

What are the problems of those who come to us? We could boil them all down to personal sense. Personal sense means that we are accepting two or more persons. There can be a husband and wife; there can be parent and child; there can be partners in business; there can be capital and labor relationships; there can be all kinds of human relationships; and every one of them at some time or other can be the source of discord and inharmony. If we are called upon for help, we have only one remedy: to give spiritually, and that giving is our realization of *I*: "I and my Father are one." That relationship is an infinite relationship, the only relationship there is. So we do not have a "me" and God, and we do not have a me and a partner, and we do not have a me and another person at the conference table: we have only the *I* that I am, infinitely expressed.

If we are to live in the mystical consciousness, we must abide in the realization that our expectancy is always and only from the spiritual source within us. We must abide in the truth that "I have meat to eat that ye know not of," and then be careful not to look to a person, a thing, an organization, or a relationship.

Feed this truth of the one Self into your mind morning, noon, and night, and see what happens to you in your relationship with other people and their relationship with you. Feed this into your mind. How did the Master say it? "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you," you will bear fruit richly. The responsibility is on your shoulders. Abide in the word or abide not in the word. It is up to you.

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### THE LETTERS '32-'46

To love means to know the relationship of God to His manifestation.

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### THE MYSTICAL I

We are in the rhythm of our relationship to mankind when, first of all, we acknowledge that relationship, and then act on it by making some measure of provision for others outside our own. . . household.

As it comes to our individual attention that there is some form of so-called evil taking place or about to take place—evil as related to health, to weather, or to human relationships—let us remember that it is a call to us as illumined souls to leave our "nets" immediately and retire into a meditation to bring the activity of the Christ to the situation until that particular problem has been met.

God is unveiled in your consciousness as your identity and as That which supports, sustains, and feeds you, and as you give recognition to the unveiling of God in the consciousness of every student—and realize that he, too, knows the Source of his good and therefore the joy, not of getting, not of seeking, not of acquiring, but of sharing—you begin, then, to perceive what a spiritual relationship can be and will eventually do on earth among men.

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### THE THUNDER OF SILENCE

If our relationship to one another is pure, we want nothing from anyone but the opportunity to work, share, or in some way be an instrument of blessing to our other Self. In return, we ask for nothing. The opportunity of sharing, loving, and cooperating is enough because all that the Father has is ours, and the Father has means of bringing our supply to us without our desiring it or asking for it.