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“Our Real Identity”

Chapter Highlights

...Today, with all the conflict, warfare, and turmoil, it appears the world is bent on destroying itself.

...This destruction or crucifixion going on throughout the world is really the crucifixion of the belief in personal power, personal will, and the sense of an identity separate and apart from the One. That is all that is being crucified.

...Anyone holding on to the belief that he has a personal life to save or lose, a personal fortune to protect, or a personal will and dominion may be crucified because those beliefs must be rooted out in order for God's glory to fill the earth and for man to stand forth in the fullness of Christhood.

...Never can I feel God's presence until I am in the silence.
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...It is not that God is not omnipresent; but in the turmoil of the world and the activity of the human mind, I am apt to develop a sense of separation, a feeling of being apart. So I come back into this silence for a moment to reassure myself and feel that divine Presence.

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...This body that is my vehicle of expression is God's body. If it were mine, it would be separate and apart from God; and how would I preserve it? But this is not my body; it is the body of God in one of Its infinite forms and expressions.

...As my understanding of this grows, however, my physical sense of body will take on an ever better appearance, not because the body changes but because my concept of body changes. My body is always the same: infinite, immortal, useful, vigorous, vital, and eternally youthful. My concept of it may vary.

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...Each year our concept of body improves as we abide in the oneness of all life; and as our concept improves, our appearance improves. God is the principle of all that is: therefore, all that is, is eternal.

...If I want to see you, it is only in the very height of my illumined moments that I can contact the reality of the you that is you, what you know when you say, "I." ...Who knows you? Who knows me?

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...My Self is hidden inside all alone, safe in God. So I show forth only certain qualities, and on those you form a concept or opinion....I, too, form concepts and opinions of you.

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...The purpose of The Infinite Way teaching is to lead you to that state of consciousness in which, when you see a discordant person, thing, or condition, you do not attempt to change it.

... Do not try to manipulate anything in the external. Realize you are not beholding anything but a concept that, in and of itself, has no power, presence, or reality.

...As you look at a harmonious body, a youthful body, or a physically perfect body, remember you are not seeing a spiritual idea. You are seeing your *concept* of a spiritual idea. When you understand that, you will begin to heal, and the healings will come quickly.

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...Very often practitioners or teachers are not at the highest level because patients and students will not permit them to take the necessary forty days to go up to the mountains and abide there.

...The mesmerism of the human world is such that a person is in a continuous state of fluctuation: up today, and down tomorrow, or up for a week and down for a day.

...Practitioners or teachers who most nearly keep their thought filled with God's will as the only will and God's law as the only law keep their consciousness on such a high level that every contact with them results in upliftment in some degree..... It is a question of your and my ability to maintain ourselves on the spiritual heights.

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...Spiritual consciousness is a state of consciousness that fears neither persons nor conditions. It looks out on this world and says, "I love you whether you are good or bad, in pain or without pain."

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...We are tempted daily to believe in a separation from God.

...Oneness with the Father is an eternal relationship. All you can entertain is a sense of separation from God, never a separation from God.

...*In spite of the fact that at this moment I am entertaining a sense of separation from God, God is; and I abide in God's isness.*

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...Break that sense of separation not by trying to make a demonstration in space or in time but by withdrawing into that inner sanctuary, becoming very still, and beginning again with everything you have learned to reassure yourself of the permanent nature of your being and true identity. *"Before Abraham was, I am."*

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...We have overcome the world when we no longer hate, fear, love, worship, or trust anyone or anything in the world and yet love because we see the Spirit of God at the center of all being.

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...The world's concept of you is visible, but you yourself are shining out from behind your eyes. That *you* is the invisible Christ or child of God...

...you carry yourself to a certain degree of unfoldment by knowing the correct truth about God, man, and the universe. You enrich your consciousness by every spiritual message you read, study, ponder, and meditate upon.

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...What you do is only a preparation for what you receive.

...Answered prayer is the result of a divine Impulse felt or sensed within. It has nothing to do with anything you do but is something of which you become aware.

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...We use words and thoughts in prayer and meditation only to lift us up until we get high enough to apprehend the Word.

...God is omnipresence, God is here, and God is now. God is in the midst of any and every turmoil, but we do not become aware of that Presence except in the quietness of our soul and the stillness of our mind.

...When the human mind is still, there is completeness, fulfillment, and a realization of spiritual identity.

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...When I am thus centered, life flows with no conscious effort. I am not making the stars come out or the moon rise or the sun set. I am not trying to make flowers grow. I am just resting from labor. I am resting from the tiredness of thought, and I am perfectly content to let God run the universe..... the work of God is forever.

... In God, there is no such thing as time and space. God is, and that is all we know.

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...As you close your eyes, you are less aware of time and space; but as you meditate and finally achieve the center of your being, all sense of time, space, and body disappears: weight, concern, the past, and the future. All those things disappear and you find yourself just living.

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...Relax and rest in the assurance that God is in the midst of you. The Father that dwells in you never leaves you. "I stand at the door, and knock." This is the Christ, the son of God, speaking to you: "I stand at the door, and knock."

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...The door is not outside of you, and the Christ is not outside of you knocking to get in. The Christ is inside you, and the door is inside. It is the door of your consciousness, and the Christ is trying to be released into your experience by your recognizing and admitting It.

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...When you have accepted the Christ in the midst of you, your whole world begins to change because you are not in the world alone. Now you have the divine Presence, the divine Power, the infinite All...

...Every time you relax in the Spirit of God, you will find some part of your body being renewed, rebuilt, reborn, and resurrected because the Word becomes flesh.

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Search: “destroying itself”

From *The Only Freedom*

...can you not see that as long as our attention is focused on bettering human conditions or on attaining improved humanhood, we can in no way enter the spiritual kingdom? At this stage it is virtually a “dying daily” to our human hopes and to our human ambitions. It is literally a giving up of the desire for those things that the world is destroying itself trying to get. At first that appears to be so transcendental that it is not only beyond our reach but even beyond what we desire. Actually, the effect of this transcendental awareness fulfills us in our human experience. It seems to add more of those things that the world wants and cannot get.

The Only Freedom
Chapter 9 – “Starting the Mystical Life”

From The 1950 First Portland Series

...We never undertake anything without meditation. We begin with meditation, and we meditate again in the middle, and we meditate again at the end. Almost, you might say, our life is devoted to meditation, but that's not exactly true. Our life is devoted to God, but it is through meditation that we make the contact. In this work, it is not sufficient to declare or affirm or state that "I and the Father are one," or that God is ever-present or God fills all space. It is true that God is ever-present; it is true that God fills all space. It is true that there is no place we could go and get away from God, but it is also true that the world of men and of women is destroying itself with sin, disease, death, war, lack, and limitation, in spite of the fact that God is ever-present and God is all-power, and God is ever-available. How do we connect up this seeming discrepancy? How do we account for the fact of God's omnipresence, and yet, the presence of war, panic, discord, inharmony, sin, fear, doubt, disease?

0004B 1950 First Portland Series
"Meditation"

Search: "a sense of separation"

From The 1955 Kailua Study Group

...We are not human beings, as we seem to be. We are pure, spiritual beings, but that which is called the prodigal's experience, or that which is called the fall of man, the Adam and Eve experience—all of these things do not constitute separate entities. Remember that Adam and Eve before the "fall" are also Adam and Eve after the fall. It is not that there are two separate beings, a human being, and a spiritual being. It is only that a human being is entertaining a sense of separation from God, and the moment that sense of separation begins to disappear, Christhood or divine Sonship

begins to appear. Is that clear? The whole thing takes place within our self.

114A 1955 Kailua Study Group
“Scriptural Promises Explained”

From *Living by the Word*

...Every time we are touched with doubt, fear, limitation, or a sense of discouragement, let us acknowledge that what is operating in our consciousness at that particular moment is a *sense* of separation from God. It is not a separation from God, because we cannot be separated from God. Why? Because there is no *we*.

Living by the Word
Chapter 1 – “Living by the Word”

Search: “concept of body”

From *The Heart of Mysticism, Volume IV*

...Our work is not to get rid of the body, but rather to be clothed upon with a new concept of body.

The Heart of Mysticism, Volume IV
Chapter 3 – “Understanding the Body”

From The 1958 Maui Open Class

...If you would look upon all creation as temples of God, you would then hold these temples in honor, in respect, in adoration, in love, and therefore when your thought would go to your body, as indeed it must at times, you would remember that your body is the temple of God, and you would look upon it in that way and hold it that way in your thoughts, and then you would lift it up above the human concept of body.

242A 1958 Maui Open Class
“The Temple”

Search: “to see you”

From *Living Between Two Worlds*

...The *I* of me is knocking at the door of your consciousness wanting you to say, “I know thee who thou art. “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.” The *I* of you is knocking at the door of my consciousness and begging me to see you as you are, not as you humanly appear to be. You want me to behold you as the image of God, the way you were created in the beginning before time began. None of you wants me to see you as you are humanly. You come to be recognized in your spiritual identity so that whatever is mortal of you may be dissolved.

Living Between Two Worlds
Chapter 12 – “The Power and Dominion”

Search: “an eternal relationship”

From The 1959 Lausanne Closed Class

...Nothing can happen in your life that destroys your relationship with God. That is intact, but the human mesmerism that was brought about by accepting a belief in two powers, this can bring about a sense of separation from God so that you probably might feel at times that God is a billion miles away upward, and you’re a billion miles away downward, and never the twain shall meet. But actually it isn’t true. The relationship between God and you is an eternal one. “I and my Father are one.” This is an eternal relationship. But if you have forgotten it, if the mesmerism of human religions have taken it away from you, then go back within yourself where eventually you will find the kingdom of God to be, and there seek, pray, ask, knock: “Father reveal thyself. Break this mesmeric sense that I may pierce the veil of separation. Open my eyes that I may see. Open my ears that I may hear. Glorify thou me with the glory that I had with thee in the beginning.” You’re not asking God really; you’re

trying to break through that mesmeric sense within yourself until the glory of God which is already established within you can once more be evident in manifestation.

284A 1959 Lausanne Closed Class
“The Meaning of Prayer”

From The 1962 Cape Town Class

...In other words, just as we sit here and have this spiritual relationship without the intervention of any man-made rules, or any man-made institutions, or any man-made edifices, so God looks into the eyes of His own, and between God and His children, you can be assured there are no edifices. There are no crucifixes. There are no stars. There are no insignia of any kind between God and His creation. There is only one thing, and that thing is love, and that love is the religion. That love is the tie that binds. That love that exists between God and man is the spiritual bond that unites God and man in an eternal relationship of oneness. Without this relationship of oneness, we would all be in a sad, sad position today.

0506B 1962 Cape Town Class
“The Spiritual Bond”

Search: “quietness”

From *Consciousness Transformed*

...The access to God is through spiritual discernment, and spiritual discernment is a faculty of the Soul, the Spirit, which is within you. Therefore, since access to God must be through the Soul, it can only be through silence, stillness, quietness. Then, “In the moment that ye think not, the bridegroom cometh.” In the moment when you are not thinking, the spirit of God, the voice of God, the action of God can take place within you. We read the books with the mind and we hear the tapes with the mind, but only in order that the

message itself may quiet and still the mind and convince you of the need for that quietness. Remember that behind the mind, there stands *you*. Take that with the word “I.” Behind the mind stands *me*.

Consciousness Transformed

January 1, 1964 – “Silence! Stillness! Quietness!”

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