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#### EYE TO EYE TALKS.

\*\*\* Review.

\*\*\* It is time.

\*\*\* Time is measured.

\*\*\* It helps us into eternity.

\*\*\* The unfolding mind must measure time.

\*\*\* Can't grasp the whole, so we mark time

\*\*\* Seconds, minutes, half hours, hours, days, weeks, months, years, decades, centuries, milleniums.

\*\*\* This is the way we take in eternity by pieces and patches of what we call time. This closing month of the year we will aevote to a review of the lessons we have been learning.

\*\*\* Man is a thinker and his thoughts are turned into things, in imitation of the universal Spirit who thinks things and reflects Being in the objective universe. Man is a microcosm of the macrocosm.

\*\*\* Man is male and female in his being and his being is individualized. You can't be an individual without a body. Therefore you must be a mental body in order to think as an individual, and a spiritual body in order to exist as an individual spirit.

\*\*\* You must have two bodies in order to be male and female or you can't exist as an individual being, for this is Being. The psychic or mental body is the female of you, and the pneumatic or breathing body is the male of you, and both are immortal, incorruptible and absolutely indestructible being or individualized divinity. This constant action and reaction of the positive and negative, the male and female, in you is life everlasting.

\*\*\* Each individual, whether man or woman, is a perfect being, else they could not be. Being is never imperfect. In the flesh the female of you is manifest in the woman, although she is male and female. The male of you is manifest in the man of flesh, although he is male and female, equally balanced in his being, else he could not be. Being is male and female, and you can't change the nature of being and be. God made man in the image and inceness of Being, male and female.

\*\*\* Being is an eternal vibration of the male and female principle of Being and the Almighty is in everlasting conjunction with Himself. The individual is the whole of being individualized in a psychic and pneumatic conjunction, a perfect polarization. This is an absolute expression of being, and each individual expresses the whole. There is no coming and going, no evolution in being, for it is the same yesterday, to-day and forever. Unity of being in diversity of expression is life.

\*\*\* You are now and forever an embodied individual, male and female, in your own person and absolutely independent of every other individual in the universe. You are a whole being in yourself or you could not be. The man in the woman and the woman in the man and each one living and moving and having their being in God, not in other individuals. The association of man and woman in the flesh is the companionship of

equals, balanced in their being and independent of each other now and forever.

\*\*\* Each individual man or woman is self-existent in individual being. I use the term self-existent in the sense of excluding all other individuals, but not the universal Being, for no individual is independent of the universal. But in your own being you are independent and self-existent in your own personality. You are not a parasite living off and dependent upon some other individual for your existence. I make this clear and emphatic, for we are seeking the glorious liberty.

\*\*\* The glorious liberty of the sons of God consists in being independent of everybody but God. You are not only independent of individuals, but of the elements. You may command these stones to be made bread and draw water by smiting rocks, for the Rock that is in you is the Christ. You may walk on the water and ascend into the air, for you have an aerial body as well as a tabernacle of flesh. You can control gravitation and levitation.

\*\*\* I have been pondering on these points of intelligence for two score of years. If you do not catch the thought save these 1908 lessons and go over them every year until you get the truth. There is a new book in French which proves that each molecule in the universe is a solar system. I tell you that each individual intelligence is a universe. All that is in the universe is in you, else you could not be in the universe. You must be what you see. This is being.

\*\*\* What is mind but consciousness of being? Spirit is being and mind is the consciousness of being. Let me quote Descartes once more: "I think, therefore, I am." But I can't think what I am not, that is utterly impossible. I think what I am, for I am the whole universe. In me is the entire objective and subjective universe. I hold in my mind's eye the whole horizon of being, else I could not be. This is self-evident truth.

\*\*\* In the beginning of this year of talks my wife was afraid I was going into thoughts too deep for my readers, but I have heard no complaints. In these eye to eye talks what is clear to my mind can be made as clear to you. What I really see you can be made to see. I use no big words or technical terms, but put every thought into plain speech. Truth is simple even when sublime beyond the height of finite mind. I know that you know.

\*\*\* That is, I know that you know if I know. If there is no confusion in my mind I will not cause confusion in the minds of my readers. Truth is clear as the sunlight, and all this talk about speaking over the heads of hearers comes from those who do not know what they are talking about. You people are very precious in my sight and I have always given you the best I know and I am truly glad that I know. My joy is full and part of it is the joy that you are partakers of my joy.

\*\*\* That mighty statement of being that all there is in the universe is in you, else you could not be in the universe, will bear close inspection. This is genuine cosmic consciousness, not the spurious kind which Dr. Bucke attributed to such men as Napoleon.

Consciousness of the cosmos means order, harmony, peace and power in your being, for the cosmos is one harmonious whole. Jesus Christ had cosmic consciousness, because he had passed his last incarnation.

\*\*\* Paul had a mental view of it, a glimpse of glory, but no dead man ever had it in full, else he would rise from the dead. Death has no more dominion over the man who is conscious of the whole cosmos. He has power over all flesh and is ruler over the elements. There can be nothing in the way of limitation to such a man, for he is the limit. Consciousness of the whole means the power to command the whole.

\*\*\* Jesus Christ did not hesitate in making himself equal with God. He knew that being in the whole was equal to having the whole in him. The individual does not rob the universal by claiming equality. A drop of water has in it the whole ocean. Here comes this French scientist proving to us that each atom is a solar system, with its center a sun and planets revolving around this central sun. Then the cosmos is conscious and Infinite Spirit is its consciousness.

\*\*\* Here is where language fails and speech has not yet reached the power to express reality. But, my blessed ones, you can measure the parts as you piece out time, and slowly climb to a comparative consciousness of the whole. Each atom is the whole in principle, else it could not exist. Each atom is an immortal entity, as each individual is immortal, being individualized. How wonderful is man! How glorious in majesty is mind!

\*\*\* Do you think, in view of what I have been saying, that Paul was exaggerating when he said this of Jesus Christ:

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

That is the way Paul, who had a touch of cosmic consciousness, speaks of the man who had all of it. All creatures and all minds give honor, glory and praise to the Man who is in full possession of Himself.

\*\*\* You are three bodies in three dimensions of space. Your flesh occupies a dimension of space in physical consciousness, your mind or psychic body is in another dimension, and your spirit or pneumatic body is in a third dimension. There is no fourth dimension, for the universe is a trinity in unity. Now, all the elements of what we call matter are in your flesh, hence the one who has power over all flesh has power over all the elemental universe. All objects in the objective universe are in your mind; therefore, by your thought you may be in conjunction with the universe of words and ideas. In your breath or pneumatic body you are a spirit and in conjunction with the whole Spirit of the universe. You are

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an individual spirit in a universe of Spirit. In all your being you occupy space as a body, and the three states of consciousness blend into the one whole in the regeneration and resurrection. This is the resurrection and the life, coming into a consciousness of your whole being, and knowing that you are an embodied individual intelligence in an infinite universe. As I have said, you could not have individuality without a body and a consciousness of a place in space. You must have room to be.

\*\*\* Power is in personal consciousness of your place in space and of your conjunction with the whole. Until you are conscious of the whole the parts pull you to pieces. Do you see this truth? You feel it every minute of your life, for all the parts are pulling you apart, and you go to pieces over disease or any other elemental disturbance which jolts you in your uncertain attitude of mind. When Jesus was in mortal consciousness he was often weak and weary, but never sick. He had to pass through these experiences of weakness of the flesh, for the power was hidden from him for that very purpose. At times the full consciousness flashed out and he was king over all abnormal conditions. He exercised the power of God and did not consider it robbing to be equal with God, and then sank back into the limitations of mortal consciousness. After the resurrection there was no further limitations and no call for help on his part. He told his disciples that all power in heaven and on earth had been given him, and for this reason they were to go and teach all nations. It is a full unfoldment before our mental eyes of what we all are in our conscious being. The divinity in humanity and the humanity in divinity.

\*\*\* If this is all true, what is the matter with us? There is nothing the matter with us but matter. That is all. Just matter is the matter with us. Matter is in our minds and shows forth in our flesh. The body of our flesh is full of our thoughts of matter as carnal and perishable material, made out of dust, and ready to die. That is our body as seen in the mind of flesh. The whole thing is moonshine. There is not a word of truth in it. The body is mind from the tips of the toes to the tips of the fingers. All immortal mind, and you had as well look at rents in your coat and think the holes are in your flesh as to look at your flesh and think it is your body. Your psychic body grew the coat of flesh, created this house in which it lives, and can pull it down and erect a new one at will. Jesus looked on the temple (symbol of the human body) and said: "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews were looking at the solid stones of the temple made with hands, and declared it had taken forty-six years to build it. But Jesus was speaking of that which the temple symbolized, the body of flesh, and proclaimed its destruction and rebuilding in three days. He did it. And here we are still looking at the flesh as our substantial being.

\*\*\* I find words very poor mediums for my thoughts when I try to express the solidity of mind and the power of psychic vibration to create new flesh and build new bodies. We have been so in the habit of thinking

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that we are males and females, absolutely dependent upon each other for the propagation of being in the flesh, that we can't understand how this principle can be made to regenerate the body and keep up the vibrations of life for the perpetual renewing of the flesh. The higher vibrations in Jesus healed the sick, opened the eyes of the blind, cleansed lepers, cast out devils and raised the dead. And yet we look on these miracles as far off events, out of the range of our mentality. How could the body of a leper be changed by word of command, a spoken sentence, if there were not a clean vibrant psychic body beneath the leprous flesh? Then the diseased flesh was no more the body than the old dirty garment is the flesh. Consciousness of this fact made it possible for Christ to see and address the psychic body and command it to cast off the unclean flesh. Can we get up to this consciousness? Not while we think the flesh is the body. It is a matter of knowing and then doing. The baby walks by unfolding consciousness. If you are going to deny the mental body, and go on affirming the mortality of your being, you will deny the miracles and resurrection of Jesus, of course. But just as soon as you come into the mind that was in Christ all is as plain as day. You are the resurrection and life, because you see it. And once more I affirm that you must be what you see before you can see it. The things of the Spirit are foolishness to the carnal mind, and the things of mortality are foolish to the mind of Spirit. You must be what you see. Seeing is not merely looking with your eyes. An idiot can do that much. Seeing is being. How could you see the mountain unless you were incarnated in the very elements which make up the mountain? Thus it is with everything in the objective and subjective universe. You are in it and it is in you, therefore you can perceive it. Consciousness in you of the power to work miracles will work miracles. I heal the sick by the conscious power of the Christ in me. This is regeneration and the resurrection, and it is coming more and more into my consciousness. It must and will permeate my body of flesh.

\*\*\* When the blind eves heard the word there was a movement in that part of the psychic body and the real eyes of the mind were made manifest in the eyeballs and the optic nerves. It was psychic consciousness manifesting in the flesh. The flesh is an impermanent condition, while the psychic body is permanent. That which is permanent can do as it wills with the impermanent, even though it is a decomposed corpse in the tomb of Lazarus. The potter has power over the clay, because the potter is a thinker and the clay is a thought. The thinker can rule in the realm of things and thoughts. The man who recognizes his flesh as a thing for his thoughts to control is at once lifted into the kingdom of mentality. Now we do perform these miracles every day, but we are so used to working these mental wonders that we no longer wonder. I remember with what wonder Beverly Boy began performing the mental miracle of walking. My! My! didn't his eyes sparkle and his soul expand with self-importance! Bump, bump, bump,

\*\*\* He will soon get into the idea that his walking was not a wonder. The word "miracle," you know, means a work of wonder, or a wonderful work. This boy will come to the place where he will cease to wonder and people will tell him that he is not a worker of miracles, that walking is "natural," and speech and thought are commonplace performances. But are they? Not a little bit of it. Every act is an act of mind and is a veritable miracle. Sleep itself is a miracle of death, and the resurrection repeated every time we go to sleep and awake. Breathing is a wonder of wonders, and a tremendous miracle of the spirit. A breathing mind! Think of it! There is in you a breathing body and a thinking body, the very likeness of eternal Being. You move and think as an intelligent being embodied and separated from all other beings in a space to yourself. O miracle of mind in man! Look at the Son of Man, who is yourself, commanding the psychic eyes to recreate new organs of vision. The psychic hearing is ordered to appear in new ears. The whole psychic body is commanded to cast off dead and diseased flesh and appear in a new dress.

\*\*\* By what power? How did he raise the dead? How were blind eves made to see and dull ears to hear? By what power did Jesus cause clean skin to manifest in a leprous body? Oh, you say, it was divine power, and if Shelton claimed the same power he would be stoned, or jailed as a lunatic. So here we go with bated breath looking backward to Jesus as a supernatural being. Well, then, how did his disciples do it? These men of ordinary birth worked miracles even to the raising of the dead. You forget the Acts of the Apostles after Jesus had ascended to the right hand of Power. Your supernatural man is gone and commen men heal the sick, cast out devils, cleanse lepers, and raise the dead. How do they do it? Are you going to turn around and deny the works? That will not help you out any more than denying wireless telegraphy will explain it. I have to take wireless telegraphy by faith in hearsay, for I never sent a message or saw anyone else send one. I do not understand how it can be done, but I believe the words of men. I know that Jesus and his apostles worked miracles, for I understand the principle and am practicing it. I walk by faith in the principle and the knowledge of its practical workings.

\*\*\* But by what power did all these wonders work? Now, don't look around for a ghost or some supernatural agent. It was by the same identical power which I am now using in pushing this pencil and making marks on white paper. To-morrow morning my wife will use the same miracle working power in copying these words on the typewriter. The gas in your supernatural balloon is escaping! Look out! You are coming down to Beverly Boy in his early miracles in learning how to walk. Is that all there is to it? That is all. Power is that which lies behind movement and power is One and indivisible. There is no movement without mind. You say a rock is loosened in the night and falls down the side of the mountain. Not without mind, my friend, for the rock itself is a thought. Moses smote the rock and water flowed forth for the quenching of thirst. Paul, in touch with cosmic consciousness, saw into the mental movement and wrote: "And they all drank of the spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ." There is no movement without mind. "Not a sparrow falls to the ground without your Father's notice." Power lies behind movement.

\*\*\* Just the same kind of power that is pushing this pencil made the worlds and upholds them. Is that too simple for you? Then learn the great lesson that except you become as a little child you can not even see the kingdom of God much less enter into it. Did Jesus do any physical stunts before speaking the Word of Power? Have you ever read of any pow-wows or preparation made by him before performing miracles? He walked along talking to two girls, telling them in a gentle way that their brother would rise. One girl saw the resurrection as a doctrine of the Pharisees and so she said she believed her brother would rise in the day of the resurrection. It was a far off vision for weeping eyes, and a long wait for an aching heart. The gentle voice at her side said in almost whispered words: "I AM the resurrection and the life." Of course the resurrection is a Spoken Word! God created the worlds and upholds them by the Word of Power. Power is that which lies just behind movement. Roll away the stone! Lazarus, come forth! And he came forth bound in his grave clothes. Loose him and let him go! The power that is pushing this lead pencil.

\*\*\* Precisely the same power! The same power that puts one foot before the other in walking. The power that winks the eyes and lifts the hand. But, you say, animals exercise this power. Certainly, my dear, and so do trees and rocks. Animals are thoughts and thoughts are things. Spirit of Thought created animals just like men make clocks. Man's thoughts are mechanical things. God's thoughts are living things. That is the difference. But man may also create living things, for "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work," applies to mind in man. Animals are not thinkers, they are only thoughts. But man is a thinker, the very son of the Spirit of Thought. Man can create from the elements and bring forth something more than mechanical creations. He is just learning to walk and talk as a spirit. Hitherto he has been acting the mortal and shivering on the shores of mentality. All this is part of his unfoldment and the opening up of power. The exercise of gifts will increase our power and expand the movement of mind in us. But we begin as little children and use the power that is right under our feet.

\*\*\* The psychic body is the nervous system, and it is all mind. This mind will act on its own volition unless hindered by suggestion. Suppose the baby could be taught that walking was a supernatural gift; that no one ever did or could walk except one man, who lived two thousand years ago. Do

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you think he would put forth his power? He is left free to act, is encouraged by seeing others walk, and so gradually begins to perform the wonderful miracle himself. Jesus never taught us to look backward at power. We got that backset from religion. Christ told us to look for power from the Spirit, and to be prepared to do greater works than he did, because he was going to work in us from Headquarters. He also cautioned us not to expect any blowing of trumpets, but to listen and learn from the still small voice of the Spirit. This coming of the Spirit to each individual is called enduing with power from on High. I have told you that this on High means the sun, the natural center of all power, all movement in our solar system. This is bringing things down to the simplicity of the natural order, where they belong.

\*\*\* And now where are we, my blessed Christians, when we recognize ourselves as immortal minds in conjunction with the sun and the natural powers of motion as the power of God? We are scientific Christians becoming as little children, and accepting the Christ in us as the Son of God and the Saviour of our world. It is the real simple life. Faith is a substance within us called mind, and we now know that it is the psychic body, or nervous system. It is our common talk. We say that one is nervous when we mean weak in the nervous or mental movements. Then we say one has nervous energy when he is calm and serene and alert in mind. The nervous system is in the body of flesh, but it is not flesh. It is mind, and we learn to use it in the gradual unfoldment of mind in the child. The child is mind all the way through the body of flesh, and he begins to teach his hands and legs and ears to obey his will. The higher he goes in mental unfoldment, the more perfect is the obedience of this psychic body to the will. It can be taught perfect obedience, so that each movement of body is intelligent and harmonious mind.

\*\*\* Now, why do we stop exercising our power of will in educating the nervous system? When we have taught our eyes to see, our ears to hear, our legs to walk, our brains to think, and our tongues to speak, why do we stop working miracles and shut up shop? In the name of common sense, horse sense, any kind of sense, why do we quit advancing? Because some one without authority drove down a stake and wrote on it: "Thus far shalt thou go and no further." I have pulled up the stake and rubbed out the writing. There is no limit to the mind of man, for it is immortal spirit. Having taught the nervous system a few of the lessons in the primary grade of being, we are ready, by the same simple rules, to go further and teach the whole psychic body to think in accordance with the will of Spirit. If the baby can learn to walk and talk, the man can learn to fly in the air, walk on water, and speak by telepathy. There is nothing to hinder and everything to help in this onward movement of mentality. So far we have confined ourselves to a few little things in the objective. Why should the hands and legs, eyes and ears, receive all the education? Why not teach a few lessons to the liver and lungs, the heart and bowels,

the stomach and kidneys, and get a little intelligence into the interior department?

\*\*\* The brain is not the thinker. It will hold any fool thought you may pour into it, Poor brain! It is made a kind of mental hopper for all kinds of stuff to be ground in the mill of mind. The will is needed to weed out a lot of rubbish and clear the way for truth. The nervous system is mind, and mind is the receiver, not the transmitter. Spirit is the transmitter, but the Spirit only acts in the freedom of the will. "Whosoever will may come." You must not attempt to force the will. Leave all doors open, and don't close and bar the way with foolish thoughts. False notions and erroneous thoughts take up just as much space in the mind as the truth would take, and you must make room for Christ. Prepare the way of the I AM, make his paths straight, and you will find illumination driving out darkness. This is your own personal freedom, to fill your nervous system or mind full of trash or the truth. As an immortal individual you can't be coerced or driven into the truth. There have been too many would-be saviours of the soul. People need more liberty to act on their own volition. The soulsavers have filled the mind full of cheap thought, and left it to play blind man's buff with destiny.

\*\*\* After leaving the simplicity of Christianity the churches turned to saving souls, and the soul-savers have filled the world with their howls about hell and the great salvation beyond the grave. It is soul saving for the rainy day of the hereafter. Death has been made much of as a warning, and this has kept up until the present mental movement began to sweep away the dust of the grave and get ready for life and life everlasting. There are enough of the soul-savers left to keep you in touch with the dead thought of forgotten ages. There are two or three sects now in the Salvation Army, besides the other beggars, who keep before you the fact that Jesus paid it all, but you must chip in and help out the work of charity. Christian Science stood on its own feet and said: Not a bit of begging! Pay your own way! It was a move toward independence. But the principle taught by religion is corrupt in itself and leads to dependence and pauperism. They cry that your soul is to be saved by some one besides yourself. The soul is your mind, and how can the mind be saved? It can be unfolded as an immortal individual seeking the light of truth, and Jesus Christ commanded us to let in this light by teaching the mind and healing the body. We must work miracles in the mentality of man.

\*\*\* In all this year what has been our greatest lesson? That we are now immortal bodies, male and female, in everlasting conjunction with the universe. This is the one great lesson which leads us out of the wilderness and puts us in the regeneration. It is the one thought above all others that we are getting into our consciousness. Immortal in spirit, which is a breathing body. Immortal in mind, which is a thinking body. We are not coming up from an immortal past which we have lost, or going into an immortal future which we are to achieve,

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but are now and always have been an immortal spirit in a psychic body. The clothing of flesh is like a diving suit, which the diver dons, that he may descend into the deep and search for the hidden things in the sea. Man has been clothed with the earth, in order to enable him to become conscious of the whole and learn the truth of all things. There is in man the outward earth, the inward sun, and the intermediate state of mind or psychic body. This psychic body is in that dimension which lies between the fiesh and the spirit, and enables man, by his thought, to take cognizance of both worlds, objective in his flesh, subjective in his spirit body. Why didn't I see this before? I was reading the wrong words. This is the way it reads in the common version: "There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body." Now, you know we have always thought it was the flesh for natural and the spirit for spiritual. The translator didn't have any kind of English words to fit the Greek. Moderns made words to fit an idea, and lo! they are made out of the very words the Spirit used in the Greek when he wrote: "There is a psychic body, and there is a pneumatic body." We have grown up to it.

\*\*\* What is the practical application to be made of the fact that the nervous system and the breathing system now within us are immortal bodies, able to think and breathe and be independent of the flesh? Why, my beloved, just go on thinking and breathing and being an immortal, and the flesh will respond in vibrations of beauty and health. That is what I am practicing. How are you getting along? Are you still in the consciousness of mortality? Are you thinking as a mortal, breathing as a mortal and considering yourself as a worm of the dust? I'm not. I see myself. I see the two bodies, male and female, psychic and pneumatic, within my flesh, as rulers of the flesh. Therefore, I do not think of myself as flesh any more than I think of myself as trousers. Even the crow gets to know that the man of rags is a scarecrow. It is not much for me to show as much cunning as a crow, and find out that flesh is not spirit or mind, and, therefore, not me. I think and have always thought. I breathe and have always had a breathing body. I clothed myself in flesh, and created all the organs which represent me in this objective world in the third dimension of space. Suggestion made me think that I was dust and dirt. I had as well look at my clothes and think I was linen and cloth. I dress and undress my flesh by removing and putting on clothes made by the mind of man. I am learning that the flesh is also a suit of clothing, made by my own mind, under the influence and environment of other minds. I shall cast off this second-hand suit of flesh and create one to suit my own ideas of beauty and strength. I want what I want when I want it and as I want it.

\*\*\* Have we really got there at last? It looks that way to me, and every hour confirms it. The very latest, up-to-date science affirms:

""(1) That the material universe is infinite in three-dimensional space, and eternal both in the past and the future.

"'(2) That the law of gravitation holds good throughout infinite space and time.

"'(3) That the luminiferous ether has the same properties throughout space.'

"The infraworld, our own universe, and the supraworld are represented as three links in a chain of indefinite extent."

My sun telephone told me as much and more long before I read this scientific statement. The New Testament is accurate on this point. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." There are your three dimensions, and each definite Greek word is used for psychic, pneumatic and flesh bodies. He wants the whole man preserved and so speaks of psychic or soul body, the pneumatic or spirit body, and the flesh which he calls body. There was never a thought of saving a man out of the body, but the body is to be redeemed, for the flesh is the only thing to make right after your mind is enlightened. Listen to this: "For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the pirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body." It is, you see, the redemption of the body, and in this case he means the flesh. The groans are in the body of flesh, the travailing is all in this third dimension. The soul and spirit are all right and have always been right. but the body of flesh is on the bum. Slanguage is the only thing that will express the thought. This body is bum and all the groans of the mind are caused by it. Just as well acknowledge the corn and the corns.

\*\*\* It is about time for us to awake to consciousness of Spirit and throw off the rags of mortality. When we find we can't get a decent body in the womb we will turn our attention to the mind. The great teacher, Nicodemus, came to Jesus one night, sneaked in so as not to call down the criticism of his fellow scribes, and asked several questions. He wanted to know if a man could enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born again. Jesus told him that he would not only enter the second time, but thousands of times, until he had sense enough to know that flesh gives birth to flesh and Spirit to spirit. He must be born from above by a mental begetting and conception. The water birth is for water bodies, the spiritual birth for pneumatic bodies. There is such a thing as a quickening of the Spirit, which brings into consciousness the first and second dimensions of space and lets into your mentality the vibrations of the eternal ether. The resurrection is the consciousness of the whole cosmos in soul, spirit and body in three-dimensional space. This gives you room to be. Did you ever feel cramped for space? A kind of smothering sensation comes over your soul and you want room to breathe. It is a pent-up life that we have been having. We have been confined to one dimension, when we really belong in three; therefore, we are uncomfortable and restless. There is what we children used to call

scrouging. It does one good to get into the open and stretch the limbs of the mind.

\*\*\* Scrouging is the very word and it is in the dictionary. It means squeezing. We are squeezed into too small a space. The spirit unfolds and gets into its own mansion. Someone asks how an immortal spirit can unfold, for they get the idea of perfection, and think there can be no progress in spirit. Get that notion out of your head. You are an individual spirit, and there is always room for unfoldment in the individual. The individual is immortal, but not infinite. In a universe of infinite Spirit there is certainly eternal progress in the individual spirit. This is the reason why we are bodies. As I have said, we could not be disembodied individuals. It is utterly impossible, from an atom to an angel. Embodiment is essential to individuality. You are a mental body in the second dimension and a spirit body in the first dimension. So far the most of us have only been conscious of being flesh bodies in the third dimension. Whole consciousness gives us embodiment in each dimension and active individuality in the whole universe. How can you be a complete being without being in the whole? You can't, and the scrouging will continue until you occupy all of your space. "In my Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you, that where I AM ye may be also." The preparing a place for you and preparing you for a place is all the same. You can't occupy a mental place until you know how to do it. This is the kingdom within you.

\*\*\* Well, well, Shelton, are we really out of the wilderness? Out of the whole tangle, my friends, and are you not glad we kept agoing? Suppose we had stopped in Little Rock in 1895 to 1899? And even in Denver in 1900 to 1906, where would we have been? In a half-truth. There was no doubt in my mind that we were on our way, but I didn't know just where we were going. I knew we were being led out of the mortal wilderness, for the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night were ever before me. I couldn't drive a stake down by joining any movement towards organization. I was told by the Spirit to work it out in the freedom of the individual and keep the mind free from any formulations of faith. Many times I have been blown up for my lack of consistency, but not by you, Christians, Bless your dear hearts you have stood by me and held up my hands in spite of my obstreperous crankiness. You are jewels every one of you, and I know that you know. It was knowledge we were after and not guess work. My going to the cabin with my Temple Bible in the summer of 1907 did the final work. I read and studied the 25 volumes with the light of the Spirit, and soon found the Bible was a part of the cosmos. The sun knew the Bible and the Bible knew the sun. The revelation of regeneration kept unfolding until I found the woman in the man and the man in the woman. Yes, we are Here and we will be a long time Here. This, my beloved Christians, is not a Farewell or a Goodbye, but a Hello! and a How Do You Do?

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# SUN VIBRATIONS AND PERSONAL IDENTITY.

In the beginning.

Yes, there was a beginning. In the beginning there was a ball of fire

projected from the photosphere of the sun, where the elements are always burning, and it formed into a globe and made an orbit for itself in a movement around the sun.

This was our earth. There was a fire mist with steam and water so thick around the globe that the light of the sun was not visible "and darkness was upon the face of the deep" waters surrounding the earth.

And the Spirit of God moved (brooded) upon the face of the waters. And God said: Let there be light: and there was light. That is, the wind blew on this envelope of mist and steam and water and the sun began to shine on the cooling globe. The expression doesn't convey the idea that light was created, but that it sprung up or penetrated the darkness.

In explosions and upheavals part of the globe was deflected and formed the moon, which became a satellite of the earth. In the cavity left by the moon the waters began to settle and form the ocean. So in time there was a division of the earth into two hemispheres and the water into two oceans.

Everything began to form into pairs. A pair of continents and a pair of oceans form the earth. Smaller bodies of water and land only go to make up variety in the general movement. Islands are fragments of the earth and rivers and lakes parts of the two great oceans.

The fires in the earth disappear and the globe gathers cooler atoms and the dry land is soon lying in the sunlight ready for the brooding Spirit. It is soon pregnant with all kinds of life and brings forth all kinds of creeping things and flying things and herbs and grass for their sustenance.

But the adjustment of lights preceded this teeming life on the face of the earth. The planet had to get into a certain kind of conjunction with the sun before the Word created conditions.

How was all this life produced? It was. photographed in the soft, warm earth by the sun. There must be a Mind in the sun, else all of these ideas could not have been made to photograph every form and feature and keep each idea separate and distinct in the wonderful moving pictures of life. The Word, the Logos, the I AM THAT I AM was and is doing the work.

It is just as easy for the mind to conceive of Universal Thought as it is to conceive of a universe of matter. No man in his right mind denies the existence of material forms of matter, then why deny the mentality which pervades and controls it?

The whole of objective life came forth in pairs, male and female. From this we reason that the principle of Being, the Almighty, is male and female. He is said to have made Man (mind) in His own likeness and after his own image, "male and female created he them." This was a photograph of Man, but all life is on the same principle, with this exception, that Man is a word and can think and speak. In other words, Man is a mind, for you can't have mind without language, the medium of mind, and you can't have language without mind. The one is essential to the other.

The pictorial and poetic account of creation in Genesis is in accord with up-to-date science. Only you must interpret it as poetry. The poets were the first historians and prophets. They are the seers.

At a certain period in its unfoldment the planet was impregnated with life by the light of the sun. Light is life and life is light. The substance of being is light. Did you ever see modern moving pictures? If so, you can get an idea how perfect is photography in reproducing forms of life. See the kinodrome.

Then the objective man is a photograph of the original and not the original? Certainly, and that is exactly what the Old Book has been saying all these thousands of years. Man and Woman are made in the likeness and image (photograph) of the original Idea.

Now, the very name of "Adam" in the original Hebrew is that of a certain kind of clay, not common dirt, but a clay ready for making into a likeness of God. This clay formed a sensitive plate for the taking of the picture of Man, male and female. We have never ceased wondering and admiring and going into raptures over the picture, especially the picture of the Woman. There never has come before the mind of man a more beautiful picture than that of woman, especially his own woman, the likeness of his better self. Mortal man has gone wild over woman, and I don't blame him, for she is the most interesting and captivating

of all God's creations. She is a flame of fire. If such is a moving picture, a mere photograph, what must be the original? She is clothed with the sun and crowned with the Zodiac.

I wish it were possible for me to give you the very words of Delitzsch in his commentary on Genesis, but I have no type for the Hebrew words. He shows that God did not form the dust into a man, but formed man out of the dust and called this form Adam, that is, red clay, moistened earth. I call it a photograph in moistened hot earth, and it was a peculiar kind of earth, "for this was virgin and genuine earth." Delitzsch says: "He means the wonderfully fruitful and aromatic red earth, of the slopes of the Hauran chain of mountains, which is esteemed of marvellously strong and healing power, and which is believed to be selfrejuvenescent." There is no doubt but this picture of God was taken in self-healing

This last year there was an account of travelers finding in Asia what the natives called "male" earth and "female" earth. The two kinds of earth mixed in proper proportions produced a salt, with which the natives used to heal wounds and season food.

Man is formed in the aromatic healing earth by the Word and becomes an animated being by the breath of life. Light and life are in him and he can hear the Word and see the life of the Almighty. He is not an animal, although in his physical he seems to be a highly developed animal. There is a difference, and Delitzsch expresses it in these words: "The difference, however, is this, that the spirit-soul of man is self-conscious, and capable of infinite development, because it is God-descended in another and a higher manner." Capable of infinite development! Certainly, for the mind of man is an offspring of the Infinite. There is no end to the unfolding mind, and no loss of personal identity.

Verily, verily, I say unto you that this Man and his Wife who came up from that aromatic (doesn't she taste sweet!) earth are still unfolding and have never lost their personal identity. He who was in the beginning is still the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

The original was the Christ and the photograph is Adam. This is taught in plain words by Paul the great interpreter:

"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the first fruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all."

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"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: it is sown in dishouor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy; the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly."

The same thought is found in many other places, but this is enough for the present. The two beings are one and the same personality. It is Adam (earth) on the outside and Christ on the inside. This is why Paul declares that "the head of every man is the Christ." Man would have no power to beget offspring in his own likeness and in his own image if his seed were not God seed, the very Word of God, the Christ. The seed of man is the Christ of God. Hence, the head of the woman is the man, for she is the Body of the Christ, the '1 emple of the Living God. There is no Church but Woman and no Christ but Man, who is the likeness and image of Mind, the Spoken Word of Thought. The Bible is scientific when the poetry and prophecy are scientifically interpreted.

The poetry of Eden, when reduced to a science, is Adam talking to himself. It is the Voice of telepathy holding converse with the conscious man of the red earth. The Lord God (Yahveh) is the Spirit in Adam. That is all there is to that conversation, and the same thing in principle is repeated in the Temptation of Jesus. The same identical

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man in both records is talking to himself. Satan, the adversary, is the voice of the mortal mind and the Christ is the voice of the Spirit. It is a personal conversation between two natures, not two persons. Christ is mightier in Jesus than in Adam, but it is the same Christ. The Christ is always in you and Adam is on the outside in the objective. You recognize the Christ as yourself and the Adam as the other fellow. That is scientifically and scripturally correct, for you are the Christ and the Adam is a photograph, an envelope. There is something in the envelope, but the envelope is not the The envelope is subject to something. change and may be replaced by a new one, but the Christ abides forever.

"Thou, Lord, in the beginning, Hast laid the foundation of the earth;

And the heavens are the works

Of thine hands:

They shall perish; but thou remainest; And they all shall wax old

As doth a garment;

And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, And they shall be changed:

But thou art the same,

And thy years shall not fail."

That means you, my mental brother, for thou are the Christ the Son of the Living God. There isn't anyone else for you to be so long as you can think, for thought is the offspring of God.

I have said that our own common version of the English Bible gives us the spirit of the original. This is true with a few exceptions. The use of the feudal title of Lord for the name Yahveh is one of the exceptions. The word Lord is far from the meaning of the original. The Christ in you has one Name, which is a memorial unto all generations. I will give you a literal translation of that name from one of the greatest Hebrew scholars who ever lived:

"And God said unto Moses, I WILL BE WHO I WILL BE; and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel: I WHO WILL BE hath sent me unto you. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel: He WHO WILL BE, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you. This is my name forever, and this is my memorial to all generations."

Now you can see how the Christ in Adam was HE WHO WILL BE, the Coming Man, the Unfolding Mind of Spirit. At the birth of Cain our translators make Eve say: "I have gotten a man from the Lord." The preposition "from" is not in the original, neither is the word Lord. She said: "I have gotten a man, even Yahveh." I have given birth to He who will be the Christ. She was right, for Cain appears many times as the Christ when you trace him through the unfolding ages. She could not give birth to a man less than the Christ, for the head of every man is the Christ. No matter what the mortal man may do the real man is the Christ and the Christ is HE WHO WILL BE.

The memorial Name unto all generations is the name for healing, for deliverance, for conquest, and you must remember that it is the Only Name given under heaven or among men that expresses the Christ in you. And bear in mind that the Christ is you, the real Spirit within you, and will manifest in you as He did in Jesus. The kingdom of God is within you and your dominion is the objective universe.

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Definitions clear up matters and prove that the Bible was written by the Word. The very name God in the Hebrew (Elohim) means Being and the name of the Word (Yahveh) means the expression of Being. Isn't that scientific? God is Being and the Lord God, Yahveh Elohim, is the expression of Being. So there is no such an idea as personality or individuality in God or the Word. Personality and individuality belong to finite being. Such limitations can not belong to the Infinite, and the writers of the Bible never meant to be so understood. It is only in a poetic or pictorial sense that personality is ascribed to God or the Word. Man is the likeness, the image, the person of the Godhead. Of course the Word is absolute personality, for He will be who He wills to be and what He wills to be from an atom to an angel, from a seed to a seraph, for He is the expression of Being.

Everything that is and everybody who is must be expressed by the Word, for there are no other expressions of Being. There is only God and the Word, the Father and the Son. I in Thee and Thou in Me. And this is you, for man is the offspring of Being. Within and without you are an expression of the whole of being. A perfect word.

Science confirms the fact that the plateau of central Asia, described in Genesis as the birthplace of man, was the portion of the earth's surface first prepared for such a resident. Language and history, traced back to their primary sources, converge towards that part of the planet. So you see the unfolding ages are bearing witness to the truth.

Paul, the interpreter, makes a speech in Athens and, if you will put the I AM in the place of the word "Lord" in this passage, you will get a clear statement of Being and the expression of Being.

"God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; and hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; that they should seek the Lord. if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: for in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said. For we are also his offspring. Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device."

Paul is the only writer in the Bible who makes use of the word Godhead, and he uses it three times. The other two are in Romans 1:20 and Colossians 2:9. It is a scientific term and is a good translation of the Hebrew—*Elohim*—Being. Godhead is the principle of Godhood and Godhood is manhood inasmuch as we are the offspring of God. The head of every man is the Christ, and the head of the Christ is the Godhead. That is good, up-to-date science.

If the Godhead is immortal, eternal, everlasting, the manhead must be the same. There is either a material universe producing and reproducing matter without intelligence, wisdom, thought or reason and governed entirely by chance or there is a mental universe filled with infinite wisdom and governed by truth and love. At a carnal view-

point the universe seems to be a fool or an idiot. Everything seems to be ruled by chance. It is a cruel blindness and the darkness is dismal. I need not call your attention to the acts of nature in famine, pestilence, storms, cyclones, earthquakes and death and destruction by fire and water. Your own observation and experience will give you more of this than you care to see. The mortal world is not only foolish. It is much worse. It is mad. Mortal mind is insane, and no wonder. Think of living in a world of chance for thousands of years!

This poor mind of man has been perpetuating itself in a world of chance for a longer time than history records, and this very perpetuation is tainted with lunacy. There is no madness like the moon madness of sex, and yet this is the only way that this mortal life is kept going. Is it worth perpetuating?

Our strenuous president and others urge us not to commit race suicide. What is the difference between committing suicide on the way or after we arrive? The few short years of a troubled and uncertain life do not count. Besides, you may arrive a hunchback, a dwarf, a cripple, a consumptive, and live disfigured and miserable. Thousands and even millions wish they had never been born. What is the odds whether the seed perish in the ground or in the stalk? Whether you live a minute, a month, or a century is nothing, for if you are condemned to death you are already dead. What is to be is.

The baby in the cradle is as old as its grandmother, for time is relative, not real. If the baby is going to grow old it is already old and wrinkled and ready to die. Strenuosity and physical culture only perpetuate the misery a little longer if it does anything. As a rule it does not do anything, for the strenuous are liable to die of rheumatism or apoplexy.

Talk of race suicide! Mortal mind is insane, and we do not think it proper for lunatics to bring forth after their kind. This is the reason for the existence of death. God is onto his job. He governs the world in wisdom, and so Death is here to thin out the race and kill, kill, kill on every hand by all kinds of diseases and accidents. God is wiser than the president. Death came through sin and sin is a disturbance of the mind. When the mind is wrong it is time to kill the body.

In the regeneration there will be no marrying or giving in marriage, for immortals will certainly not reproduce themselves in that way. The man and woman will be polarized in electric vibrations and the twain will be one flesh, so making peace.

There is no possible chance of you losing your own identity, for you, too, are a Son of God. You want yourself. No other kind of an awakening will satisfy you. It must be your own self or you will still be lost in confusion. The finding of the Christ in yourself is eternal redemption. The record of the Adam man is your own record. The revelation of the Christ is your own revelation. Make it a personal matter, and even in the tombs you will hear the Voice within you and come forth.

I AM the resurrection and the life, and I AM he who will be the Coming One.

Are you coming? I AM already HERE!

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# HEALING LETTER

My Dear You:

You are not everybody; you are you.

The vibrations begun in September are still at work, for I have been treating the whole list every day. It works well in waking up the sleepers and bringing in back dues on subscription. It is also bringing in five dollars a month for special treatments. I find the more I give the more I receive.

The printers must have caught the vibration, for they mailed November CHRISTIAN a whole week ahead of time.

The election is over and Prosperity is beginning to spread her wings. This Prosperity will last for three or four years. You had better get into the swing right at the start. Make money and put by some of it. Then make some more money and put by some more, and keep this up during the good years.

You can remain in the fellowship of CHRISTIAN for one dollar a month or twelve dollars a year. You can have special treatments for five dollars a month. My time is money, and I can give you five times as much time for five dollars as I can for one.

A man dealing in real estate in the suburbs of New York and another man in Chicago dealing in the same kind of real estate in the suburbs of Chicago have sent me maps and plats of their holdings. Such men do not send one or five dollars a month for such work. They send five times five. We will not take more work than we can do. My wife and I do this work in the Silence alone, and we can't hire anyone to help us. It must be our own individual work.

One subscription to CHRISTIAN will be given for every dollar sent for treatments. You can send the names of your friends, or I will credit the free list. Send currency, gold, silver or paper, in a registered letter. Money orders, express or postal, in the common mail.

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