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The Inspiration of the Almighty

There is a spirit in man, And the Inspiration of the Almighty Giveth them understanding. Job 31:8.

DIRECTIONS

Study and meditate upon these words. Read a sentence, then close your eyes and imagine that the Voice of the Father is speaking the words to you.

Let the words speak themselves, as though you were listening to your soul, your higher Self, which is the very form and voice of God in you. Thus you will cultivate your intuition of eternal principles, and feel that love and will which are omnipotent.

When you can recall a number of the statements, you will have begun to exercise your ability to control your thoughts, and to think and feel from an exalted state of your mind.

When you have gained the ability to enter into your inner sanctuary of exalted thought at will, and to abide in communion with your Creator, you will have found a source of spiritual peace and power of greater and more lasting value than all the learning and wealth of the world.

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TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH

I Am God, the Creator of all, and you are My sons and daughters, therefore shall you be gods and goddesses in My heavenly realms.

I made you but little lower than the angels, and crowned you with glory and honor.

I made you to have dominion over the works of My hands, and I have put all things under your feet.

I will ransom you from the power of the grave.

I will redeem your soul from earth and death.

Death shall be swallowed up in victory, and you shall sing with joy; O death where is thy sting, O grave where is thy victory.

To you that overcome will I give to eat of the tree of life which is in the midst of paradise.

You shall not be hurt of the second death, because you will have become purified of the selfish qualities which are spiritual darkness and death.

To you that overcome will I give to sit enthroned with Me in My will.

I will make you a pillar of light in My everlasting temple of glorified humanity, and you shall go no more out of My presence forever.

You shall inherit all things, and I will be your God, and you shall be My sons and daughters.

THE FATHER-MOTHER CREATOR

I Am omnipotent Will.

I Am infinite Love.

I Am eternal Wisdom.

I Will, I Feel, I Think; I Am Life.

The sum of all that I will, feel, and think, is a spiritual universe.

This is My positive creation. My negative creation is the material universe of space.

I Am masculine Will. I Am feminine Mind.

I Will and My mothering nature begets time and space, and all the myriad forms therein.

I Am the Dual-One.

I Am the Father-Mother Creator.

I Am the Whole.

I Am the eternal Being, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness.

I, the eternal One, do all things.

I have formed you in My image, that you may share My creative joy of willing, feeling, and thinking.

You shall have the joy of everlasting growth in My wisdom, love, and power.

You shall progress in immortal individuality forever.

You shall glorify Me by being a victorious form of My will, wisdom and love.

I Am your omnipotent success.

THE NEED OF THE PHYSICAL FORM

My material nature is the Mother in which My will conceives and forms sons and daughters in My image and likeness.

When My spiritual idea or image has been formed and fixed by its matrix of matter it no longer needs a physical form for its perpetuation.

Existence in a physical form is temporary because if too long continued it would materialize and bind your immortal spirit.

Existence in the spiritual universe is permanent because endless time is required to expand and develop the spiritual powers which I have conceived within your individuality.

I have created you an objective form among many objective forms that you may learn to think about things.

You will develop the rudiments of sensation and thought from your contact with material things.

Seeing, feeling, and making things develops your mind.

By learning to control objective things you gain control of the subjective forces of your mind.

Through the expression and direction of these hidden powers of your spirit you develop your immortal possibilities as a child of the Creator.

I have given your undeveloped spirit a physical form within whose protection it can stand while it is learning to exercise its creative will in mastering material limitations. I have protected your sensitive spiritual form with a garment of matter so that it may not be overcome by the powerful currents which pervade My spiritual universe.

Make the most of your allotted time in the physical body that your spirit may grow in grace and strength and master the forces of mind which impinge upon it.

Then your spirit will become superior to material conditions and illusions and rise on the wings of power into that realm where dwell the mighty immortals who in like manner have overcome.

THE DIVINE PERSONALITY

I Am the eternal Creator.

I comprehend all things because I create all.

I will and my positive will gives love, intelligence, life, and activity to my negative nature.

I Am the will which creates and quickens and moves all things.

The material universe is My physical body. The spiritual universe is My spiritual form.

I Am the personality which pervades all, and lives in all, as the spirit of all.

I Am the eternal Creator, forever creating for the joy of being and doing.

The material universe of space were dead without My presence. It is but an obedient shadow of the spiritual splendor which My will forever creates.

A SEED OF THE DIVINE PERSONALITY

I created you in the likeness of your father and mother.

You were a new creation quickened into life by My presence.

You are a spirit formed of My spirit, through My creative forms of life, your parents.

None are created without Me. I Am the Creator,

According to the purity of your parents' spirits is your spirit pure.

According to the purity of their bodies is your body pure.

I Am your perfect self.

As you live and create from Me, you shall outgrow the hereditary impurities of your flesh and spirit.

Your spirit is a seed of My personality.

Within yourself you possess all the possibilities of an immortal angel, archangel, or god.

I have said, Ye are gods, and all of you are children of the Most High.

At the moment of your conception by your parents I created you a seed with divine potentialities.

I created animals with instinctive intelligence sufficient for all their needs.

I created you with all your intelligence potential and undeveloped, so that you could grow in wisdom and power forever.

THE SHELL OF SEPARATENESS

I have formed your spirit from My spirit.

As My spirit infuses and gives life to My body, the material universe, so your spirit infuses and gives life to your physical body.

Your physical body is a part of My physical body: your spiritual body is a part of My spiritual body.

In Me you live, and move, and have your being.

You possess a natural body and a spiritual body.

I sowed the seed of My personality in a physical form that you might grow to be a separate spiritual entity.

As the bird must grow its individuality within a shell, or a butterfly must develop within a cocoon, so your spirit must have a material shell or body while it is in its embryonic state.

First that which is natural, and then that which is spiritual.

The seed of My spirit is sown in a natural body, it is raised in a spiritual body.

As you have borne the image of the earthy, you shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

I have provided a material world for your earthly experience.

I have provided many spiritual worlds for your spiritual experience.

When your earthly tabernacle is dissolved, you will find your self in a spiritual house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Your spiritual personality possesses faculties and powers which can flower only in a world all spiritual.

Your physical brain can never vibrate to the thoughts of beauty or the moods of ecstasy which your growing spirit will experience.

The white intensity which your glowing spirit will attain would dissolve your flesh.

But every moment of a life-time should be spent in sowing seeds of unselfish service for future reaping.

ENDLESS PROGRESSION

Think not that I have created you so imperfect that you will have to be born again in a physical body.

Reincarnation would not be progression, but retrogression.

Shall the worm return to its shell, or the butterfly into the worm?

Let not the materiality of mortal mind darken your spiritual imagination.

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered in to the heart of man, the things which I have prepared for the education and exaltation of My immortal sons and daughters.

Let your imagination conceive in noblest visions of the beauty and benevolence of heavenly societies in celestial realms, but remember that your most exalted visions will fail to picture the goodness and glory of the great reality.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

You shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills of heaven shall break forth before you with singing, and all the trees of the fields of paradise shall rejoice.

Fear not, for it is My good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

SPIRIT SEES NO DEATH

I Am the ever-living One. I Am eternal life.

All my spiritual universe is alive. There is no death.

I sow the form of My eternal spirit into the material world that it may gain experience as a separate individual and grow in knowledge.

Every step in personal development is a step into a fuller realization of life.

When the physical body has served its purpose, and the spirit is freed from its anchorage to matter, it sets sail for a voyage of endless duration through the realms of eternal life.

This is not death, but birth into the larger, freer life that it was created to experience, and which it cannot experience fully while it is encumbered with a material body. Try to imagine life from the spiritual viewpoint of eternal life.

The limited mortal mind in its blindness believes in death.

The immortal spirit sees no death.

It sees perpetual progression into infinite depths of blissful life and power.

Were it possible for the conscious human spirit to go back into the seed state and again enter a womb, and be born in a physical body; that would be death. But that is not possible.

The natural man receiveth not the things of the spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned.

But I reveal them by My spirit which sees and knows the deep things of my eternal nature.

Cultivate your spiritual imagination and exalt your mind above material things by the study of the revelations of immortal life, and I will quicken your faith, hope, and vision by My spirit that dwells in you.

AS A MAN THINKETH SO IS HE

According to your faith, be it unto you.

A false faith binds; a true faith liberates.

Your faith has a profound influence upon your spirit both now and after it leaves the physical body. Faith in the idea that your spirit must sleep until the judgment day would hypnotize your spirit for a long period of time in the world of spirits.

Faith in the idea that your spirit must be reborn in a physical body would cause your spirit to seek rebirth.

Your faith links you with others of a like faith.

Multitudes of undeveloped spirits believe that rebirth into a physical body is necessary.

They have not outgrown the darkness of materiality.

They have not learned of Me or My realms of emancipated immortals.

The combined faith of myriads of undeveloped spirits gives strength and persistence to the belief in reincarnation.

These mortal spirits have not outgrown their desires for sense gratifications, their pride of position, or their love of dominion.

They dwell with mortals on earth who gratify themselves, who are greedy for gain, who are proud of family, wealth, or position, and who love to rule over others.

They are attracted to those who pray for material things, or the gratification of personal desire.

Like attracts like.

Mortal spirits do not desire to purify themselves of selfish desires. They do not desire to be freed from earthly entanglements. As they did not aspire to grow into the highest expression of their inherent nobility while on earth, neither do they aspire as spirits in the spiritual world.

What is bound on earth, is bound in heaven.

They strengthen the faith of mortals who believe that to live long on earth, to have wealth and luxury and ease, are the greatest good.

They inspire man with the belief that he can immortalize his flesh and live on earth forever.

As these spirits can see no higher state of spiritual existence than that which they desire, they cannot reveal the path of progressive regeneration which I have provided for My aspiring children.

Their presence blinds mortals to the truths of immortality.

Through minds sensitive to their thoughts they teach that man must be reincarnated until he shall immortalize his flesh.

They teach that the Master Jesus immortalized his flesh and took his physical body into the spiritual world.

O, how profound is their intellectual darkness; what multitudes of mortals do they blind and bind?

Listen to the truth!

Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God. It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing.

Your physical body cannot enter the spiritual world. It is a thing of matter and space; it cannot enter a state of mind. I have provided you with a spiritual body which is adapted to the conditions of existence in the spiritual universe.

Your spiritual body is complete without a physical form.

Meditate upon My words and they will give you a living faith in life everlasting.

You are now superior to death.

I will resurrect you from the deadness of selfishness to the livingness of love.

My words will spiritualize your faith.

When you no longer place your faith in matter and depend upon a material body for life, you will not fear death.

As you develop a living faith in My spirit in you you will become conscious of My eternal life.

Faith in your immortality will spiritualize your consciousness so that you will become aware of your spiritual nature and know for yourself that there is no death.

You will be free from the materialistic beliefs which fill the world with sorrow and cause millions of spirits in the spiritual world to cling to matter and to seek to reincarnate.

The belief in death has been a mighty enemy to the spiritual peace and progress of mankind.

The belief in death is the last enemy to be overcome by the truth of immortality.

Faith in reincarnation as a means of progression has kept millions of resurrected spirits in bondage to earthly conditions. They obsess mortals on earth under the belief that thus they are reincarnated.

They try to reincarnate and thus obsess little children.

Their presence with mortals causes spiritual depression and disease.

Thus a false faith by its very sincerity becomes a mighty cause of spiritual bondage and darkness.

But a sincere faith in the truth of immortality is a mighty means of spiritual progression and liberation.

THE WORK OF ANGELS

When My angels resurrected Jesus, Elijah, and many other seers of ancient times, they exerted their combined wills to dematerialize and dissolve their physical forms.

My angels have exercised their united wills to materialize and dematerialize physical forms from the earliest ages.

My spirit forever organizes and disorganizes material forms.

My angels who have gained the power to organize and disorganize material forms are creators with Me. Through them I can create and populate planets.

Creating through My angels I Am ELOHIM.

Through them I created the first men and women on this planet; in their image and likeness, male and female created I them.

In ancient times My angels clothed themselves in garments of matter and walked and talked and ate with My prophets.

Again they dematerialized their physical forms and disappeared from mortal sight.

Jesus, in like manner, was reclothed in a garment of materiality and walked and talked with His disciples.

In modern times less developed spirits have united their wills to give spirits a very thin and weak garment of matter.

Thus, they have proved that the so-called miracles of ancient times were accomplished by the united wills of immortal spirits.

As I Am the Creator in all, they were accomplished by Me, through My angels.

THE WISDOM OF LOVE LIBERATES

I reveal all the facts of immortal life both depressing and uplifting because you must face facts and develop the wisdom and will to overcome.

You must understand all the facts in order to overcome all causes for spiritual degradation and death.

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

As from man's experience in matter came the materialistic belief in death, and his blindness to spiritual facts, so by man must come enlightenment and freedom from these deadening beliefs which keep humanity hypnotized to sorrow and suffering.

Ignorance of spiritual facts is sin and spiritual poverty.

You are limited by what you do not understand.

You will be limited in the next world by what you do not understand of your own spiritual nature and its powers.

Only what you really know and use can save you from ignorance and bondage.

You will be wise and powerful as a resurrected spirit in the degree that you have known and used and taught the facts of immortality while on earth.

Wisdom is the principal thing.

With all your getting get understanding.

Without the effort to understand and the will to use what you understand, there cannot be spiritual growth.

When you see the spiritual causes for the hells in which humanity exist you will see how great is your opportunity here and now to become unselfish in spirit by educating humanity in the freeing truths of immortality.

As you make a great effort to educate and enlighten others you will develop the strength of your own spirit.

Only those who can courageously face the limitations which selfishness and false ideas have created during many ages can become My successful servants and work with the angels to build My kingdom on earth and in the lower spiritual world.

There are worlds above worlds, higher and higher, to be gained by unselfish service in educating My children.

As your spiritual imagination is exalted to conceive of these glorious worlds of progressive spirits your faith will attune your mind to think and feel as My angels think and feel.

Willing and working with them to reveal the principles of everlasting life you will become one with their purpose and power while on earth.

Then, when you are resurrected you will rise superior to the beliefs of earth-bound spirits, and enter My kingdom of emancipated angels.

You will gain your liberty by helping Me and My angels to liberate those that are bound.

Thus will your own personality be glorified by My will, wisdom, and love.

BEHOLD I COME QUICKLY

The Redeemer shall come to Zion, the place of radiance, and unto them that turn from transgression.

My spirit that is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, nor out of the mouth of your seed, nor out of the mouth of your seed, from henceforth and forever.

Arise, shine; for your light is come, and the glory of the eternal One is risen upon you.

Darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but My light shall arise upon you, and My glory shall be seen upon you. Isaiah 59.60.

Awake, O children of earth, and receive the glad tidings of great joy which My angels bring for your enlightenment. Your planet has been passing through a long, dark night of woe, but day dawns at last.

Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

It is darkest just before the dawn. The greatest darkness prevails when earth's children direct all their knowledge, wealth, and organizing power to destroy one another.

Now comes the great day by prophets and seers foretold.

Sorrow, sickness, poverty, pain, and the belief in death have prevailed during the night which is passing.

Sorrow, sickness, poverty, pain, an the belief in death have prevailed during the night which is passing.

Joy, health, prosperity for all, and the knowledge of everlasting life and progression shall prevail in the day now dawning.

The sun of righteousness has risen with healing in his beams.

During the night noxious vapors arise from the earth and grow dense, and the forces of life are negative. During the spiritual night that is passing the mental emanations of the earthly and animal nature of man have prevailed to hide the beauty and power of his spirit.

As the positive rays of the morning sun dissipate the vapors of night and arouse all nature to new life and activity, so the dawning of the sun of righteousness shall dissolve all material beliefs and animal passions and awaken to life and activity the inner splendor within every human soul.

I Am the heart of humanity. All are My children.

I sense the sadness and depression of the multitudes who have lost hope in immortality.

I feel the misery of millions, the suffering of the poor, the struggle of the oppressed.

I hear the prayers for wisdom of those who would save My children from destructive revolutions, and solve the great problems of world peace and goodwill.

My mighty heart of love beats in unison with the immortal lovers of humanity who form the governing hierarchy of heaven.

Through them will I answer the unselfish prayers of humanity on earth, and satisfy all the hungers of human souls.

Through both natural and supernatural manifestations of their benevolent powers, will I restore My children to spiritual health and international peace.

My immortal sons and daughters shall reveal and help mankind to apply spiritual principles which shall change the purpose and course of civilization in one generation.

As the invention of machinery made possible the vast organization of industry, so the practice of spiritual principles will make possible a mighty organization of good-will which shall bring peace to all the world.

The revelations and activities of My angels shall inspire mankind with so great a regenerative power that My benevolent will shall manifest increasingly for the welfare of all My children.

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NO COWARD SOUL IS MINE

No coward soul is mine,
No trembler in the world's storm-troubled Sphere:
I see Heaven's glories shine,
And faith shines equal, arming me from fear.

O God within my breast,
Almighty, ever-present Deity!
Life—that in me has rest,
As I—undying Life—have power in Thee!

Vain are the thousand creeds
That move men's hearts: unutterably vain;
Worthless as withered weeds,
Or idlest froth amid the boundless main.

To waken doubt in one
Holding so fast by Thine infinity;
So surely anchored on
The steadfast rock of immortality.

With wide-embracing love
Thy Spirit animates eternal years,
Pervades and broods above,
Changes, sustains, dissolves, creates, and rears.

Though earth and man were gone, And suns and universes cease to be, And Thou were left alone, Every existence would exist in Thee.

There is not room for death,

Nor atom that his might could render void:

Thou— Thou art Being and Breath,

And what Thou art may never be destroyed.