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THE NEW PSYCHIANA

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STUDY-LESSON NUMBER FIVE

In the tenth chapter of the Gospel by St. John, we find these words: "I am come that they may have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." The speaker was Jesus, so the words are true.

There are so many different reasons given by religious organizations for the coming of Jesus to this earth as there are hairs in your head. Every reason but the correct one has been given. It seems that if we take these words of Jesus as He spake them, and without adding any meaning of our own to them, they speak so plainly that they need no clarification whatsoever. Why our churches refuse to believe these words, is something they must answer for. The reason may be that these plain, dynamic words are so utterly opposed to what our good churches have been teaching, that they feel they must not reverse themselves.

Yet I'm not so sure that to reverse themselves and start all over anew, might not be the smartest thing they could do. They cannot bring the Power of God to the world with the doctrines they now preach. Their message does not register. Theirs is a message of death. First—the whole human race is doomed to a living death. Then the death of Jesus. There is this "death-idea" permeating every fibre of our Christian Church. If a man dies, a minister or priest is called to bury him. If one is sick, a minister or priest is supposed to call upon him. If there is charity to be administered, the priest or preacher must do it. Religion seems to be tied up with the sordid things of life, and with death. Its whole message is one of death. Yet it is supposed to be the religion of Jesus Christ.

The words quoted above are not words of death. They are words of Life. They were spoken by the One whom God had sent into this world to proclaim the glorious news that because The Spirit of God actually lives in man, he need never die. Early in his youth, this Man Jesus began to preach His marvellous message. He recognized the facts of God when but a small boy. He went first to the priests and ministers and told them what the truths of God actually are. They, seeing that those truths were at variance with what were teaching as the truths of God, ordered Jesus put out of the way. They did not want any new theory of God to be advanced in their synagogues. They were perfectly satisfied with what they had, so they arranged the death of the only man who, during those times, really had the message of Life, which message could only have originated in the Realm of The Spirit of God.

"I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY," said Jesus. Better read that line once again, and ponder it. It is filled with golden treasure. It points out, as no other passage in the Scriptures can point out—the main object for the manifestation of Jesus

on the earth. If this were the only passage making this world-rocking statement, there might be room for some speculation as to just what He meant. Both the text and the interpretation of the text are clear.

The message plainly states that Jesus came to this earth to bring to it knowledge which would make it possible for all men to have Life—and for them to have it more abundantly. Now shall we see who Jesus was addressing? In the first place Jesus was not addressing His disciples exclusively, for the Pharisees were there. In the preceding chapter, they, who had known Jesus from birth, openly accused Him of being born altogether in sins, and they asked Him how He came to be trying to teach them?

This statement by Jesus was made to the crowd which was around Him. It was made to the general public. It is printed in the Christian Bible, and, as these words were spoken by Jesus, it is an integral part of the message the Christian Church is supposed to be bringing to this fallen world. (In one of my fiction works I suggest that all priests and ministers dress in white instead of black, as black denotes death while Jesus came to proclaim a message of Life for all).

Jesus did not say that He had come to bring Life to any certain sect or group of people. He did not designate any particular dispensation in which the Life which He came to bring with Him, should manifest. Instead, He openly made the statement to everyone within His hearing, including the Pharisees, who were teaching something altogether different. Their message, like the message most of the present-day religions teach, was a message of death. Millions of statues, crucifixes, and other idols are evident in churches throughout the world, designating, and continually reminding us of the DEATH of Jesus. That death was tragic. But, as I have beforehand pointed out, the significance of the Cross of Calvary does not lie in the fact that Jesus died upon it, rather does it lie in the fact that this world, the churches of His day, and this day too, have rejected completely the message of Eternal Life which He came to bring. The death on the Cross was only incidental.

So how about getting rid of these statues etcetera which continually depict the shameful DEATH of Jesus, and having some made depicting Him as He spake these blessed words which, if only believed, will make Eternal Life possible to all, here and now, on this earth. This world is sick and tired of death. It has seen so much of it during the past few hundred years, especially the past thirty or forty years, that it does not want to hear the word again. ONE MILLION CASUALTIES IN THE LAST WORLD-WAR, AND THAT ONLY TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AFTER ANOTHER GHASTLY WAR WHICH, WE WERE TOLD, WAS A WAR TO END ALL WARS. But wars are not ended by making war. They will only be permanently ended when this God-forsaken planet listens to the words Jesus is speaking as we look at Him now, in John 10:10: *"I Am come that they might have Life, and that they might*

have it more abundantly." That is what Jesus said. That is what Jesus meant.

Let us analyze a little bit here. Where did Jesus get the Life He came to this earth to manifest? For that evidently was his sole mission according to this statement—where did He get that Life from? Whose Life was it? What Life was it? Jesus came, so He said, that we all might have Life, and that we might have it more abundantly. All right—WHAT LIFE?

We have seen that The Spirit of God is the Author of all Life. We know that the Spirit of God is the Author of all human Life, because we have seen that when the first man and woman were created, The Almighty breathed His own Life, *right out of His very being*, into man. Therefore, as there is only one Life, Jesus must have been speaking about that Life. He must have been speaking about the Life God gave to man in the beginning when God first made man. There isn't any other sort of Life to talk about.

But they to whom Jesus was speaking already had that Life. They did not know where it came from, nor did they know that they could enjoy that Life forever, if they but discovered its true Source. But they had it. So Jesus could not have been speaking to those who stood around Him, but to those who were not yet born. But was He? I do not think so. I believe He was speaking to those who stood around Him and heard Him speak, but *did not know that the Life God gave to them at the creation, is Eternal Life.*

In making this statement in John 10:10 Jesus was but continuing the ministry He was manifested to bring to man. We see Him here in but one phase of His human activities. But they who were listening already had Life. They were alive. Then what did Jesus mean? Well what did He say? "I am come that they might have Life" . . . but this they already had . . . **AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY.**" Ah . . . there we have it. Jesus said that He came to this earth to tell all who would listen to Him that they might have the Life they now possessed, only **MORE ABUNDANTLY.** That is merely saying that the Life they now live can be continued indefinitely. On another occasion Jesus threw a lot of light on this statement we are considering now, for He said: "He that believeth on Me shall **NEVER** die—believest thou this?"

Now, "never" is a very long time. Yet that is what Jesus said. He did add a qualifying statement however. He said: "He that believeth on Me" shall never die. Now what does that statement mean? Well, it just simply means that they who believe His message, shall never die. But what is His message? Shall we ask Jesus? Here it is in John 10:10: "**I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY.**" There can be no question then, about why Jesus was born on the earth or what His message was—can there?

It is a fact, however, that all have died since the day on which Jesus said He came to bring abundant, or, if you please, everlasting Life to all. Then one of two things must be true, seeing that all have died. Either Jesus did not know what He was talking about, or,

no one on this earth, including the Christian Church, believes Him. Jesus did know what He was talking about, so the only other alternative there is, is that nobody then believed Him, nor does anybody now believe Him. I cannot admit that Jesus lied. Nor can I admit that He did not know what He was talking about. His vision was divine. His call was clear. Whenever The Spirit of God gives a man a vision, as It does every once in a while, that vision is true. Romans 3:3, 4 throws some light on that. It reads: "For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God of none effect? *God forbid—yea—let God be true but every man a liar.*" Rather strong speaking, but we must apply those words here, because, I repeat, God does not lie. Jesus, being man with a vision from God, did not lie either.

Paul here was on a very optimistic note it seems to me. He said "If some did not believe." As a matter of fact there was not one man there who did believe fully the message Jesus brought. If he had, he would still be alive. Jesus expected SOME to believe, but even He was disappointed. He said that there were some standing around Him who should not die until they saw the Son of Man returning in Power and Glory. But that was two thousand years ago, and the Son of Man has not returned in Power and Glory, and all have died. So even the thought that "some" might believe was over optimistic for Jesus. One would naturally think that with such a stupendous message as Jesus brought, even if His own disciples left Him and fled, "some" would believe. But there was nary a one. Nor has there been a one since.

Is not that a glowing tribute to the Church of Jesus Christ? Is not that a glowing tribute to the tens of thousands of ministers and priests who represent God on this earth? Do they really know anything about God? Or are they merely promoting their own branch of "the church?" I wonder.

"When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth? Again I wonder. Or do I?"

Those who were there and heard Jesus make this staggering statement of truth, all died. And Jesus plainly stated why they all died. Time and time again, belief in the message of Jesus is tied up to the reward of that belief, the reward being Eternal Life. It is impossible to disbelieve the spoken words of Jesus concerning Eternal Life, and live forever. It is impossible to believe those spoken words of Jesus concerning Eternal Life, and die. All of which leaves this earth in the same ghastly condition it has been in, ever since man fell from the glory he had with God, ages ago. There was so little faith in the message Jesus brought to the earth two thousand years ago, that He was crucified for bringing the message. There is not as much faith on the earth now as there was then.

A minister said to me recently: "Well am I to understand, Dr. Robinson, that you are advocating Eternal Life on the earth through believing the message of Jesus?" Quick as a flash I turned on that good brother, and stung him to the core with this: "What's wrong with that—don't you believe the message of Jesus?" That is the

sin and the crime of the church and the entire human race—neither of them will believe the words of Jesus. They will twist those precious words at one place, and turn them at another, merely to try to justify their own unbelief. But all the twisting and turning in the world cannot make one word Jesus uttered, false. If one word is proven false, then the entire structure of Christianity is a fabrication and a fraud.

If the story Jesus brought to the earth cannot bring to them who believe it—Eternal Life, then Jesus was the greatest sham ever foisted on this earth by any church.

Where does this death proposition come from anyway? It certainly is not of God. The originator and Creator of human Life certainly did not create death too. Then it must come from refusing to believe that the Life of God, which He has given to us, is Eternal. In other words, all may live because the Life they live came from God, but all choose to die rather than live, because they will not believe that statement, even though the entire life of Jesus was dedicated to that statement. You say to me: "But Dr. Robinson, Jesus died, did He not?" Yes, He did. And I'll tell you why He died. He died because, in that hour of trial, His faith failed Him. There were a few moments there, when even the strong faith of Jesus failed Him. This only proves his divine humanity.

Did He not cry, while hanging there on the cross, "MY GOD—MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME? Jesus believed that The Spirit of God, in that dark hour, had forsaken Him. He manifested unbelief. That moment of unbelief was enough to cause His physical death. Had Jesus believed God straight through that awful night of horror, He never would have died, but would be alive today.

A bit earlier He had showed signs of weakening when He prayed: "*Father—if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me—nevertheless, not my Will, but Thine be done.*" I do not know of anyone who would not have weakened. Two thieves were crucified with Jesus, one on either side. We have no record of their weakening, because they did not have the fate of the world in their hands as Jesus had. Jesus had the message which, if only believed, would have brought Eternal Life to all men. They refused His message from God. Instead of believing Him, they killed Him. How beautifully human Jesus was in His hour of weakness. How wonderfully beautiful are we all in our hours of weakness—we who have a bit of faith, that is.

The two thieves did not weaken, but they did something else—they showed, by the conversation which took place between them, just what the mission of Jesus on this earth was. You will recall that one of thieves said to Jesus: "If thou be Christ—save Thyself and us." That was a perfectly normal request. Here was this Man Jesus, who came to bring news of Eternal Life to this earth, hanging on a cross, dying, because the religionists of His day thought His message endangered theirs.

Now what did the other thief say? He said this: "Dost not thou fear God, being in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly;

for we receive the due reward of our deeds, but this MAN hath done nothing amiss."

Now let us examine very carefully here. This passage has had a million sermons preached on it, yet I have never heard a sermon which did not use this conversation between the two thieves to point to the deity of Jesus. To the contrary, it points in the very opposite direction. How? Well note carefully what this second thief said to the first thief: "Dost not thou fear God?" Here note well, that this thief *was not* talking about Jesus when he made that statement. He was talking about his Father—God. But in the next sentence he said: "... but THIS MAN has done nothing amiss." In the light of his first statement, it proves that he did not consider Jesus God, but a man. His first statement meant God—his second meant Jesus was a man.

Jesus was not a God when He hung upon that cross. He was a man. A man filled to the overflowing with the message of Eternal Life He was bringing to this earth. As He hung there, He knew that both the world and the church had completely rejected His message of the Eternal Life which comes from God to us all. So He died. Not because He was God, but because He was NOT God, but a divinely inspired man, bringing to this earth, a message which *was* from God. He died of a broken heart. But He died. Therein lies the significance of the cross of Calvary. Could He then, being a man, be also a God? Oh yes. Very much so. You see—the Life Jesus lived and manifested on the earth, was the Life which He had received from His Father. He was very much a God—even as you and I.

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There will be many times, as you travel with me along this path which inevitably leads to God, when you will experience moments in which you will consider yourself defeated. But you will not really be defeated. Moments of defeat, are always moments of victory. The dark hour of Jesus, which I have just alluded to, was His greatest defeat, yet it was His greatest triumph. It was a defeat for those who, in killing Him, thought that *they* had removed the influence of His message from the world for all time. It was a defeat for the forces opposed to God, certainly. But it was the greatest triumph the forces of God have ever seen. The brilliance of that triumph will only be exceeded by the present demonstration of The Spirit of God, when the Power of that Spirit, through what you and I are trying to now, becomes fully known.

You and I shall not see the harvest tomorrow. We shall not see the full glory of God tomorrow. But we shall see it. We shall see it in our day. For the time is at hand when the human race must raise its sights about God, and, instead of looking on the things of God and religion as something good for us only after we are dead, the human race must recognize the stupendous fact that the whole ministry of Jesus—in fact the only message He had, was a message of Eternal Life, and Life is Life, and not death in any sense of the word. Put that statement down in the little note-book you are keeping.

But where did this death proposition come from then? Well I

know where it did not come from. It DID NOT come from God. When God manifested human Life on the earth—when He took that cherished, miracle-working Life He possessed, and passed it on to man, there was not the slightest semblance of death in the entire operation. Let us remember that was probably billions of years ago, not 6000. But God gave Life. He did not give death. Where then did death come from? Let us look at Romans 5:12. This is how it reads:

“Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world,
AND DEATH BY SIN; and so death passed upon all men
for all men have sinned.”

Now two statements are very plain here. They need no juggling. They are straight from the shoulder. One is that ONE MAN caused death to enter the world. The second statement is that the SIN of one man, caused death. That is clear, I believe. Then let us see how that man, in the beginning, sinned. It must have been in the beginning, because the 14th verse of the same chapter pins the original sin on Adam, the first created man to have in his body, the Life of God. Shall we go back and see what the Christian Bible has to say about just how death entered this world?

We have already seen (Genesis 2:7) that God the Father had already created man, and had breathed into his nostrils the Breath of the Life which was God, thereby making man a living SOUL. What the paragrapher should have said was that The Lord God, when He breathed into man's nostrils the Breath of Life, made him a LIVING BODY, for that is exactly what happened. A soul cannot be dead.

The account of the creation of man, as it appears in Genesis, is, of course, symbolic. It was the method the old Bible paragraphers used to depict certain happenings of which they could have no actual knowledge. It so happens that this particular account was copied, almost word for word, from an account which had been published OVER FIFTEEN HUNDRED YEARS BEFORE. May I prove this statement to you? You must remember, The Realm of The Spirit of God, which Realm we are entering, is a Realm of absolute truth. God must be true, though every man and every bible on the face of the earth be proved liars. Where known truth conflicts with religious traditions, no matter how sacred those traditions may be, they will have to go. Known truth is of God. Religious traditions may not be.

The author will sketch briefly here, that the reader may know what he perhaps has never known before, the true origin of the story of the Garden of Eden: It was taken in its entirety from the religion of Chrishna, of India. It antedates the Christian story by about 1500 years. Let us mark here very carefully, *in order that we know*, what the truth is.

First note the similarity of “Jeseus Chrishna” to the words “Jesus Christ.” That may have been coincidence. The story of creation, told to the millions of Hindoos in India, reads like this: The first created man on the earth was Adimo, as compared with the Christian Adam. His wife was called Heva, which is similar to the Christian Eve. They were placed in a garden when The Lord God created them, and were

filled with the Spirit of God. Then a talking-snake entered into the picture, and it tempted Adimo, by suggesting that he eat of the fruit of a certain tree. He did. His wife, Heva, asked him to. That constituted the act by which man fell, according to the Bible of the Hindoos, 1500 years before our Bible. God then chased both Adimo and Heva out of the garden, and placed angels with flaming swords there to see that they did not return.

Then, there was a great flood. God saw that the man He had created was a bad man, so made up His mind to drown them like rats in a trap. A far more humane way would have been simply to withdraw the Breath of Life which God had breathed into man. The giving of that Breath of Life was an instantaneous act. Its withdrawing could be equally instantaneous, and would be much more merciful than seeing millions of human beings struggling for life in the cold waters. Anyway, so the Hindoo Bible has it, the Lord saw that there was only one righteous man on the earth, and by another strange coincidence, this man's name was Noe. Our first man was Noah.

Noe had three sons, Sherma, Hama, and Jiapheta. Noah had three sons who were named Shem, Ham, and Japheth. I could at this point introduce to you an overwhelming mass of evidence which proves, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that the Christian story of the fall of man in the Garden of Eden is almost an exact duplicate of the story told in the Hindoo Bibles, over 1500 hundred years before. I could give you passage after passage, taken from the Hindoo Bibles, and I have already published four hundred of them, with their analogies, all showing very clearly that the Hindoo had the same story of the fall of man which is in the Christian Bible, and had it fifteen hundred years before.

Now let the reader remember that this writer is working in the interests of the Christian Church. He is desirous that the full truth of the Power of The Spirit of God be manifest on this earth, if possible, in time to save it from complete annihilation. If this is to be done, we must face the truth, no matter if the truth absolutely upsets every tradition the Christian religion has. *Those traditions, if not true, cannot reveal the Truth which must lie in the Realm of The Spirit of God, for The Spirit of God is The Spirit of Truth, is It not?*

No shame should be attached to the Christian Church for not knowing the facts I am here giving you. No one is to blame. Religion is an evolution. It cannot stand still. If it tries to stand still, it must stagnate and die as the old Tyrannosaurus, the Pterodactyl, the Gigantosaurus which was over 100 feet long stagnated and died, when they outlived their usefulness. The only hope I see for the Christian Church is for it to face the facts I shall give you as you travel with me. We shall find the TRUTH of The Spirit of God through known fact and truth. We may not find it in the traditions of any or all of the systems of religion which are operating on this earth now, or which have operated in the past.

A great percentage of my Members are members of other churches. They weigh carefully what I teach, against what their own pastors

teach. Often, the two teachings clash. It will be found, however, that whenever I make a statement, you may be sure that I shall not depend upon hearsay. I shall have the proof of that statement, if it appears in print over my name.

I think perhaps this has been responsible more than any other one thing, for our ability to reveal the actual Power of The Spirit of God to the world, while our churches, bless them all, seem to be impotent to do this. However, may I repeat, I say whatever I have to say in the interests of the Kingdom of God and the human race. I am not interested in destroying anyone's religious tradition or faith. If it becomes necessary, in my work of revealing the Power of The Spirit of God, to make statements which are in direct opposition to those made by other religions, you may be sure I shall make those statements. My readers usually decide which is right—the churches or I.

There is a very simple explanation. Religious history or tradition reveals the little-known fact that before the time of Jesus, at least sixteen other "gods" had been born of virgins, miraculously conceived, descended to earth to save man from his sins, were crucified, rose from the dead, and are now sitting at the right hand of God in Heaven. There is no more actual proof of the Christian story than there is of the rest of them. Every chapter of every book in the Christian Bible is completely anonymous. No original manuscript covering one word has ever been known to exist. Even the Authorized Version, compiled as late as 1611 A.D. is completely anonymous, as no original manuscript covering this late edition has even been known to exist. We are told they were all lost.

The statement "Translated out of the original tongues," which appears on the fly-leaf of the Authorized Version, does not tell the truth. It only tells half the truth. What it should say is that no original manuscript covering anything in that version of the Christian Bible has ever been known to exist. If it told the whole truth, it would say that nothing in the Book is anything more than "copies," and "copies of copies" of supposedly "original manuscripts" which have never been known to exist.

As this "Authorized Version" calls itself just that, if it told the whole truth, it would tell us that it was never authorized by anyone "to be read in the churches." That part of the fly-leaf just simply is not true. It was never authorized by Royal proclamation. It was never authorized by order of the Council who had charge of this revision. It was never authorized by English Act of Parliament, nor was it ever authorized by the Convocation. The words "Authorized to be read in the churches" were probably added later, either by the printer, or the editor. So, in all truth, I believe that those words should be stricken from this Authorized Version of the Christian Bible, as should the words "Translated out of the original tongues." Either that, or the fly-leaf should plainly state that no original manuscript of anything in the Christian Bible has ever been known to exist.

I want to make it plain again please—my message is to all men of

all religions, and all men with no religion, who inhabit this earth. The message I am bringing is just as cosmopolitan as God is. The truths of God are not for a "chosen few." They are for the whole world. They apply equally to the most benighted felon awaiting execution in San Quentin penitentiary, as they apply to the highest ranking officer of any system of religion. And while it is a fact that my message is directed primarily to the Christian Church, there is the possibility that the Christian Church of today, as of old, wants none of the truths of God. If this be a fact, then its condition is indeed sad.

The author, however, cannot restrict his message of the Power of God to the Christian Church alone. Like Jesus, it begins to look as if He too, must go into the highways and hedges and seek out there, those who really want to know the truths of God, but cannot find those truths in the Christian Church—and there are millions of such. Never was the desire for the Power of God manifest in so many lives as it is now. Never was there the hunger for God there is now. Any one can start any old type of crack-pot religion, and in no time have a following. I tell you—men and women are hungry for God.

But men and women of today know how very fraught with danger the times are. They have little hope that any religion manifesting on the earth today has enough of The Spirit of God in it to clear the sin and the crime out of this civilization, either individually or nationally. Try to tell someone that the Christian Church is a "divine" institution, and they will laugh at you. However, it still is not too late for this beloved Church of mine to see the Light. It sees it now in many places. But to exchange the old concept of God for the new? . . . well that is something it does not like to do.

I believe my Students should be fully informed how there came to be such a conglomeration of differing religions on earth. There is only one God, so there should be only one religion, and that one religion should be abundantly able to reveal the actual Power of God to the whole human race. If it cannot do that, then one is perfectly justified in thinking that the religion knows nothing of that Power. If it has no Power, of what use is it in this world? It will take Power—The Power of The Spirit of God to bring peace and sanity to this God-forsaken mess of a world, and I doubt if that has ever been used by any major church, with the possible exception of a few incidents in which It undoubtedly has been used. But not in the past few centuries however.

Let me then, briefly, and only to help you to a correct understanding of the Source of the Power of God, carry you for the balance of this Lesson into the causes for the multiplicity of religions, all seemingly having the same origin. It will help you immeasurably, and will instill a mighty hope in you, that at last you are actually going to find, know, and use The Power of Almighty God, for the manifestation of every good thing you can possibly desire on this earth, be those things material or spiritual, and, in addition to that, find out that you have the possibility of Eternal Life, right here on the earth.

Just a few more words about the crucified god Chrishna first though. The birthplace of the Hindoo God Chrishna is called Mathura, which, by correct translation becomes Maturea, a place where Jesus stopped. It is between Nazareth and Egypt. Understand please, that in the year (1600) B. C. Chrishna came to this earth for the sole purpose of defeating the "Devil" who, in the Hindoo bibles, is called Chivan. After a fierce combat with the "Devil," who also happened to be a serpeant, (now listen) he defeated him by "bruising his head," and that happens to be the exact story told in Gen. 3:15 about the supposed prophecy regarding Jesus. Chrishna was "*crucified between two thieves*" as was Jesus. He led a pure and holy life, and was a meek, tender and benevolent being, who eschewed evil in all its various forms.

To show his humility, he washed the feet of the Brahmins as Jesus washed the feet of His disciples, John 13:14. One day, a woman came to him and annointed his head with oil, and in return for this Crishna healed her maladies. One of his first miracles, like Jesus, was the healing of a leper. Mark 1:4. Finally, he was crucified between two thieves, and then descended into Hell, like Christ (Acts 2:31) to preach to the departed dead. Like Jesus Christ, Jeseus Chrishna rose from the dead and ascended to Heaven (Viocontha) where he still is.

Now I'm asking myself, in the light of these, and many more facts I could introduce, is it any wonder that the great Eusebius, the father of ecclesiastical history, should exclaim, "The religion of Jesus Christ is neither new nor strange"? (Eccl. Hist. ch. 4). Truly then, did Augustine say: "*This, in our day, is the Christian Religion, not as having been unknown in former times, but as having recently received that name.*"

Here then, in a spirit of the fondest love, and with a deep-seated desire to help, I ask the Christian reader, "*Where is your original Christianity now?*" Now none of what I am writing here detracts in the slightest degree from The Spirit of God. In fact, it has no connection with that Great Spirit. We are here getting at some facts concerning a system of religion. As these facts unfold, we may begin to see the reason why this system of religion has not been able to reveal the Power of God to the earth. It may not know that Power. It may be so wrapped up in its own traditions, right or wrong, that it is unconcerned with anything outside of those traditions. I am certain that is the case. So then, I must turn the greatest part of my efforts to the world, while addressing my message to the Christian church. If, as Dr. Jean Milner said, the Christian Church cannot save this world if it *will not* manifest the Spirit of God in it, *that Spirit will manifest in other institutions.*

Now how did all this theological confusion happen, so long ago? What is the cause of the relationship which most certainly exists between Hindoo Buddhism and Christianity, for most certainly some definite and close relation does exist? What is the evidence that the

latter is an outgrowth of the former? An answer to this question may be found in the following facts, which everyone who studies with me, Christian or not, should know.

Alexandria, the home of the world's greatest conqueror, was at one period of time the great focal center for religious speculation and propagandism. It was the great emporium for religious dogmas throughout the East, and a place of resort for the disciples of nearly every system of religious faith then existing. In this capital city, comprising about half a million inhabitants, were established a voluminous library, and vast theological schools, in which men of every phase of faith met. They exchanged theological ideas, they borrowed new doctrines, and with these new doctrines they remodelled their former systems of faith, amounting in some cases to an entire change of their long-established creeds.

In these theological schools, the Jewish sect, which afterwards became the founders of Christianity, were extensively represented; for, let it be noted, the first disciples and founders had all been Jews of the Essene sect. Alexander had, prior to this time, subjected the whole of Western Asia to his dominions, including of course, "The Holy Land"—Judea. By this act a large portion of the Jewish nation were transferred from their own country to Alexandria. And this number was afterward greatly increased by Alexander's successor, Ptolemy Sotor, who carried off and settled in that creedal city, one hundred thousand more Jews. As a result, in part, of these repeated calamities, "the Lord's Chosen People" were literally broken up. They lost their law, lost their leader and law-giver; they lost their language, and they lost control of their country, the "Promised Land," which (they really believed) the Lord had deeded them in fee simple, and ratified in the court of heaven, and had declared that they should hold and possess forever. And finally, they lost their nationality, being literally dissolved and broken up; and were finally almost lost to history—the ten tribes disappearing entirely.

The Jews had manifested a proneness for copying after their religious neighbors, and engrafting their doctrines into their own creeds, as their Bible history furnishes ample proof. In Alexandria, a very superior opportunity was afforded for doing this, excelling in this respect any previous period of their history. The shattered condition of their own religion, with all its conventional creeds, customs, and ceremonies, now suspended and literally prostrated, as above shown, vastly augmented the temptation ever rife with them to make another change in their religion, and subject their creed to another installment of new doctrines, by which it became Christianity.

The liberal character and tolerant spirit of the political and religious institutions of the kingdom of Alexandria, with its vast and attractive library of two hundred thousand volumes, established principally by Ptolemy Philadelphus, with other attractive features already pointed out, furnished great facilities, as well as increased temptations to religious propagandists, to absorb new theories, and make new creeds out of the vast medley of religious doctrines and speculative dogmas preached and propagated in that royal city by

the disciples and representatives of nearly every religious system in existence then, brought together by the attractions above specified.

Hence, every consideration leads me to believe, taken in connection with the facts above stated, and the well-known proclivity of the borrowing and imitative propensity of the Jews, that they would not, and could not, withstand the overwhelming temptation to make another radical change in their religion by a new draught on the boundless reservoir of speculative ideas, religious tenets, and specious theories then glowing in the popular schools of Alexandria.

The Jews of the Essenian Order set forth in their creed all the leading doctrines now comprised in the Christian religion, hundreds of years before the advent of Christ, not excepting the doctrine of divine incarnation and its adjuncts, as the concomitants of the present Jewish faith were not unknown to the Jewish theology, but constituted a part of the religion of many of the Jewish sects. The doctrine of the incarnation was the doctrine from the Ganges to the Illissus. It was the fundamental principle of the Indian Buddhist religion and philosophy. It was the basis of Zoroastrianism. It was pure Platonism. It was Platonic *Judaism* in the Alexandrian school.

Here we have definitely established that the doctrine of God *among men*, in the human form, *by human birth* was a doctrine of the Jewish religion in some form of its branches, especially the Essenian branch—further proof that Christianity originated nothing, and gave utterance to no new doctrine or precepts, and performed no new miracles. Where then is the claim for its originality? On what ground is it predicated?

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As I explained a while back, one of the objects in going into the history of the Christian religion as I have here, is to try to show those who belong to it, that, through their own traditions and the traditions of the Jews, ages ago, they may perhaps have missed the most vital point of all in their religion, which is—THE SPIRIT OF GOD IN MAN. All of the systems of religion before the time of Christ, and all the crucified "gods" they had, had one fundamental doctrine in common. They taught the "*Incarnation of a God.*" Had they taught "THE INCARNATION OF MAN BY GOD," how very close to the truth they would have come.

Their whole philosophy, even so many ages ago and long before the Christian era, was that God, in some miraculous manner, had incarnated Himself IN ONE HUMAN BODY, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF MANIFESTING THE POWER OF GOD IN THAT ONE BODY. That was close to the truth—but it was not close enough. Had they taught that God has incarnated Himself IN EVERY HUMAN BODY, they would have hit the nail on the head and, had they grasped the tremendous significance of this staggering fact, as you are grasping it, this entire globe would know the Power of The Spirit of God, and no further revelation would be necessary.

So you see, the truths of God are not the exclusive property of any religion. They existed on the earth before religion was ever heard

of. They will exist long after religion, as we now know it, is completely forgotten. The point here is that the actual truths of God have never been very far from the human race down the ages. Only the systems of religion which insist that they, and they alone possess the truths of God through the medium of divine revelation, have closed the door on the truths of God, not only to themselves, but to the whole world. The churches themselves have made it imperative that an outside search be made for God by someone.

There have always been those who have refused to "believe" or submit to any theological authority. Your author happens to be one of them. After searching in vain for the actual POWER which MUST be IN any true concept of God, he finally, after many years of honest, heart-searing search, had the blessed revelation of the actual Power of The Spirit of God in his own life. The full import of this revelation has not yet dawned on the world or the Christian Church. The writer has had to sneak his truths in, in the garb of a burglar. But the Spirit of God he teaches, and which it is Who brings the staggering results in human lives, has been always there. That Spirit is here as I write these Lessons to you. Through them you can find all the Power there is in the Realm of The Spirit of God. You can use that Power to draw into your life, a super-abundance of every good thing God has, both material and spiritual.

For there is Power in the Realm of The Spirit of God. Dynamic, surging, pulsing Power. That is my message to you my friend. You are already experiencing something of that Power, but you have not really touched the most distant shore of the vast ocean of God. From the dawn of civilization, down through the weary ages of advance, the eager questing faces of men and women have turned again and again toward the Light. They have looked to this church and to that church for it. They have not found it.

Up to the limitless stars, always in search of some mighty Power which can enrich and sustain their lives, making them radiantly happy and abundantly beautiful, men and women have looked for God. And now—out of the vast chasm of the void, for the first time down through the ages, comes to you the surging strength of this new concept of the Power of The Spirit of God. It is a message of peace—power—joy, which we bring to you. It is a message of happiness and material and spiritual abundance, all coming to you through the actual Power of God.

Time after ageless time, the constellations have whirled in their orbits, and always the mighty Power of God has been present, ready and willing to supply an unbelieving mankind with all that the heart holds dear. But the way to God had not yet been opened. The old theologies and religious philosophies did not—could not satisfy. You found little of the actual Power of God in them, did you?

But the way is open now, for terrible as an army with banners, sweeping before it, God-less systems of religion into the black shades of night, comes the flaming truth of The Spirit of God, and all the

electrifying Power that implies. Your fate is in your own hands now, as you study with me. I care little my friend who you are. I don't care what you have. I do not care how much you know. I don't care how high or how low in society you stand. It doesn't matter. What does matter is that the same pulsing, surging Power which was unleashed when the Spirit of God first came to man, is now available to you. You can fill your life and your spirit with this shimmering Power. It can make you what you want to become. It can bring into your life, everything you can conceivably need. It can reveal Its true nature to you. For what I am talking about is the actual and literal Power of God.

Are you poor financially or spiritually? The irresistible, throbbing Power of God can make you rich. Are you unhappy? There is a great Peace in the Realm of God. Are you weary, heavy laden—then as I write this to you, drop the Lesson, quietly close your eyes, and, in absolute relaxation and faith, talk with God. Quietly say, right now: "Spirit of the Living God in me—REVEAL YOURSELF TO ME PLEASE." Stay there until the Spirit of God responds. For you can talk with God. And it is not possible for you to make such a request of God, and not be heard. I want you to stay where you are, as you are, and keep asking the Spirit of God in you to reveal Its great presence to you. That's right. Close the eyes. Repeat the request again and again. Then, after the Spirit of God has spoken to you, don't forget to say: "I THANK THEE FATHER THAT THOU HAST HEARD ME."

There will be times, my friend, when the Spirit of God will so thrill you with Its Power in these quiet moments, that if you are like me, the tears will come streaming down your cheeks. It is in such moments as these that you KNOW, and you know full well, just what a vast ocean of Love and Power and Peace there is for you, when the blessed Spirit of God unfolds Itself to you. Ah yes—the Power of God in man. Why has it been missed for so long? Why has this precious Spirit had to go begging? Why has It had to stand at the doors of our churches, knocking—knocking—knocking, and hearing no response from the religious who are worshipping within?

"Almost persuaded to allow the Spirit of God to come in. But almost, cannot avail, almost, is sure to fail sad—sad—the bitter wail—ALMOST—BUT LOST."

I want you to make the experience you have just come through, an every-day thing in your life. Will you? You know what I mean now when I say to you that The Spirit of God lives in you, and can make you what you want to be. How do I know you have had this experience? My spirit bears witness with your spirit, and The Spirit of God bears witness with us both. So make this, your every-day experience. Stay still long enough, and be expectant enough for the Spirit of God to actually reveal Its blessed presence to you.

May this same Spirit—the Spirit of the Living God, enrich your life day by day, as you travel with me into the unsearchable riches of God.