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DIVINE HEALING,

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GOD'S WAY OF GIVING
HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY
TO ALL.

"The desire for universal welfare is that which gives life to all that does exist; it is that which we call God. So that the being disclosed to man in his consciousness—this being that is coming to life—that which gives life to all that exists, is God."—TOLSTOI.

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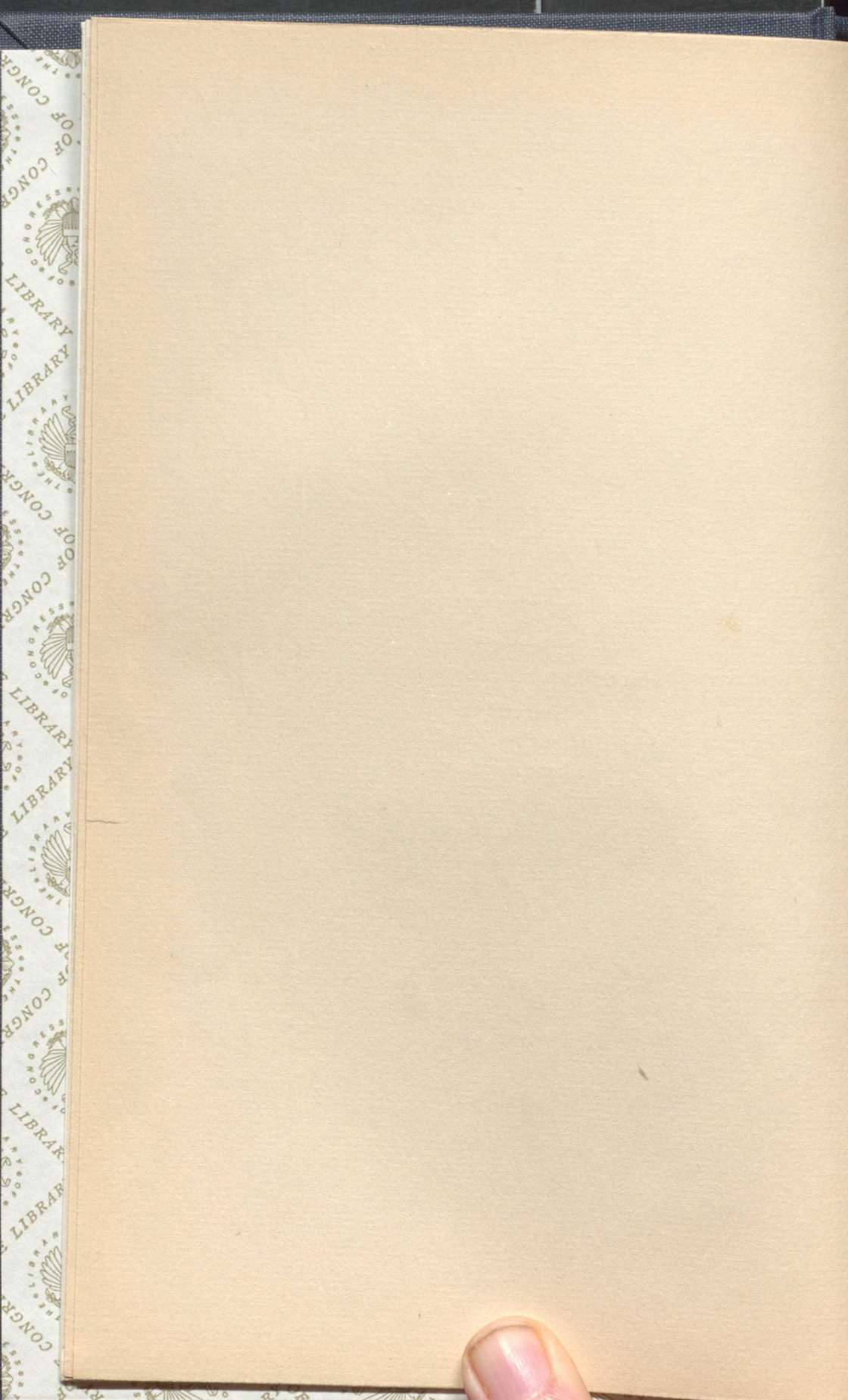
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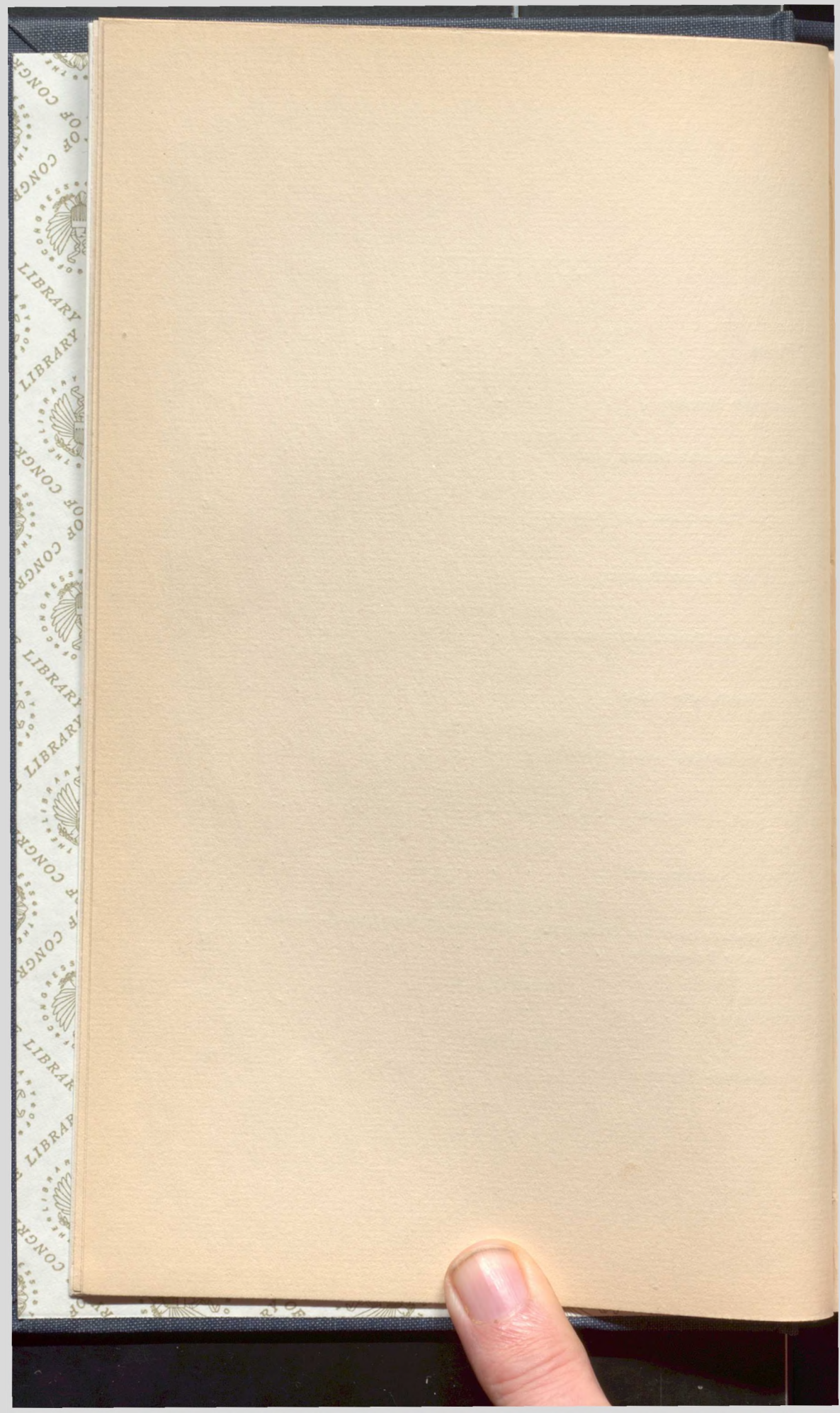
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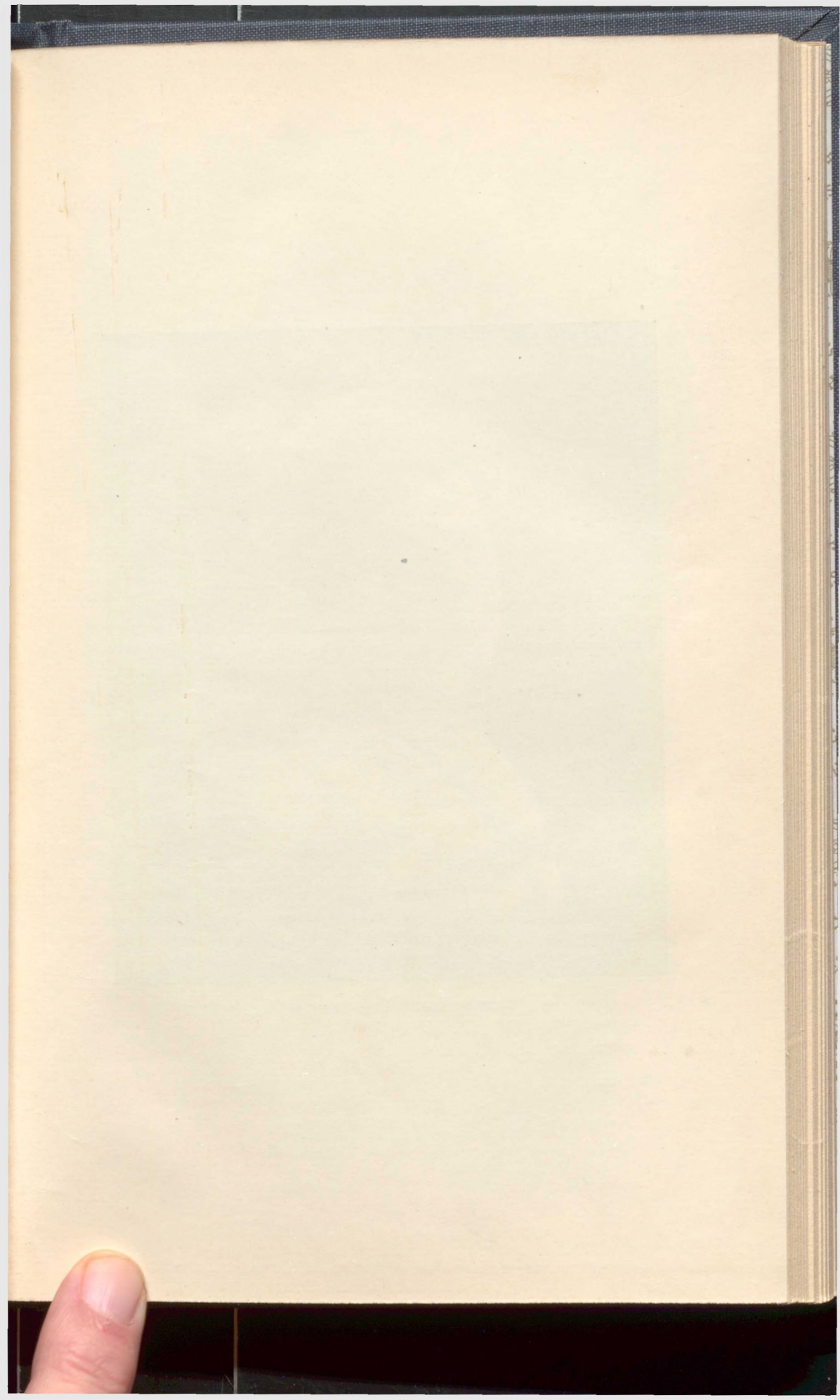
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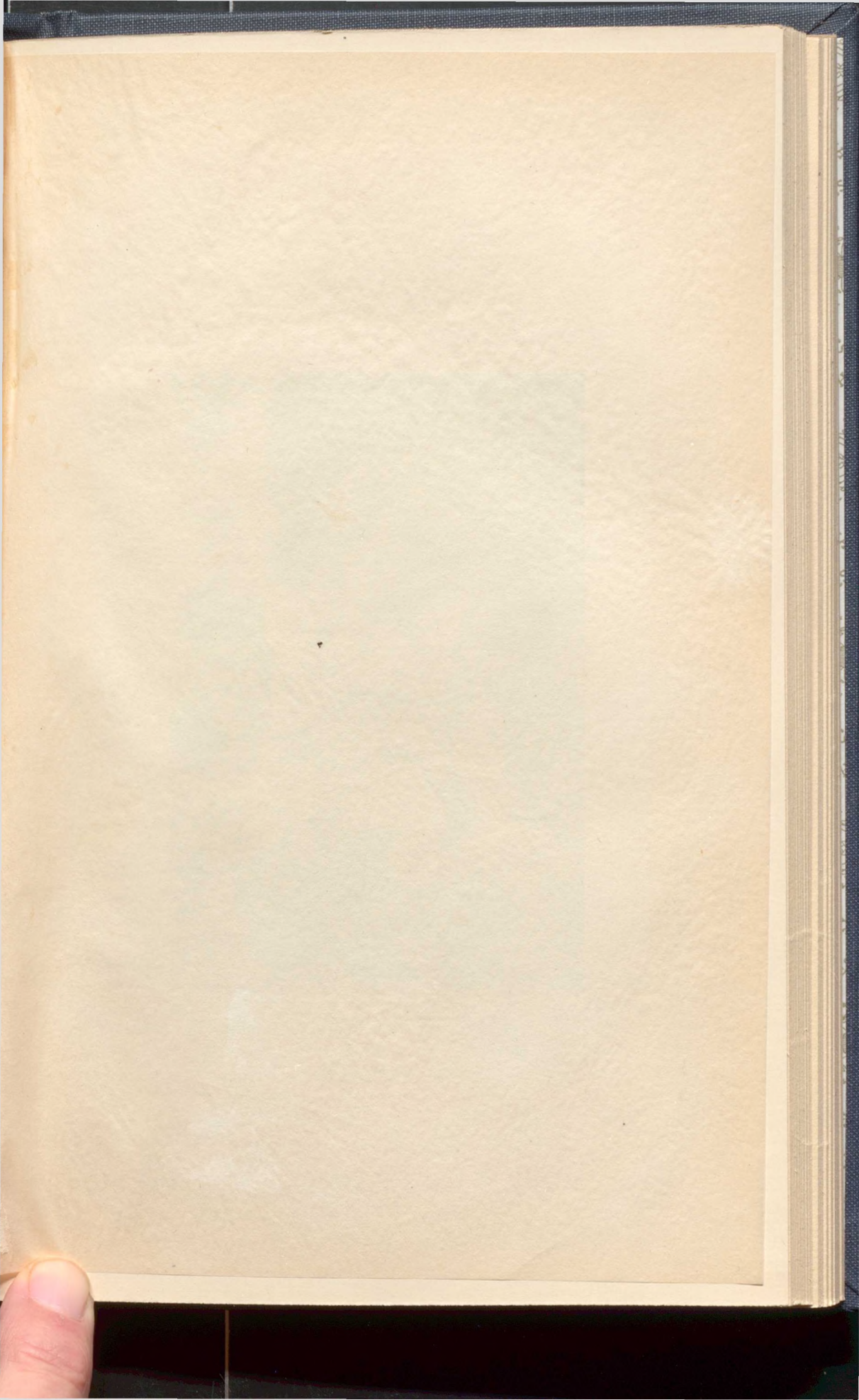
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things. The Divine Healer, when he knows or realizes the Absolute Truth about God, the soul, the Universal Soul, body, mind, and the Eternal Life Force, can easily and readily effect cures of disease.

I am a Soul — an Eternal soul — with a body, and not a body with a Soul. This is true of all beings. The soul is Eternal or immortal, and uses the body as a vehicle, and the mind and will as instruments, drawing force and power from God the Eternal Good.

Further on I will make it plain and comprehensive to my readers that there is only One Life, One Force, or One Power, and that is the Divine Power, manifesting itself in many ways and through many degrees. It is the thorough understanding and controlling of this One Eternal Power which can make man a Divine Healer. The life which flows through our bodies, or, more properly speaking, the temples of the Soul, is all One Life and One Intelligence.

The difference between Divine and Mental Healing is that one is from the soul while the other is of the mind. Working with the Divine Power, the real life or one force of the Universe, guiding and directing it to the sufferer, the Divine Healer creates or establishes within the patient new and full life, strong faith, great hope, intense joy, and love. All of these qualities belong to and are a part of the Soul, and have nothing whatever to do with the mind. Divine Healing awakes the deepest feelings in man's nature, and causes him to thrill with great joy, peace, and happiness. It is impossible to describe with words the great power and intense joy which an experienced Divine Healer awakes in the sufferer. I know all about this grand power, but I cannot describe it as clearly as I would like to do, because Divine Power or Force does not pertain to the mind at all but is above and beyond it.

Suffice it to say that Divine Healing not only permanently cures the worst diseases, but it also awakens the patient to a new and higher state of consciousness, thus developing in him love, faith, and hope to a marked degree. In other words, the sufferer begins to partake of the Soul-life — the Divine Power has penetrated his being and destroyed all inharmonious conditions, and he can no longer be sick.

The Divine Healer knows the Universal Power of Good. Without intense and continual love of all that is good and pure and high there can be no Divine Power in man. We must not only love all mankind but must also have faith in men. "As we love our fellowmen, so shall we love that Universal Power of God. Begin first with mankind. The first and

most important step is not loving a personal God far away, of whom we can form only a faint conception; it is loving our fellow-beings who are around us here and now. True love, and the highest love, and the holiest love, in the mind of man is first begotten of the aid, comfort, and assistance that he can render to other lives. And that true love, commencing first with individuals, gradually extends until it takes in every living, moving, breathing thing, proceeding from the individual outward to the circumference of all things."

Within the above paragraph is contained the attitude which the true Divine Healer holds towards all in the world, — aye, all in the Universe. God is all love. He loves all. Many through ignorance or low living refuse to be loved by the Blessed One. If we live in the senses wholly we cannot feel or realize this blessed God Force or Life. We see, then, that in order to possess this Divine Force it is absolutely necessary for the Divine Healer to live a pure, clean, and simple life. In other words, living simply and thinking highly — thinking of only Good, God or Divine force will manifest itself in one. It is also necessary that faith, hope, and love shall ever abide and wax strong in the soul of one who would be a Divine Healer.

By repeatedly reading this book and then living as I suggest herein, you will certainly develop within you a power to heal and cure by Divine Power. It is my sincere hope and desire to spread broadcast the golden truths about Divine Healing, as I positively know that it is the only cure for all of our woes and troubles. This book is written with the sole intention of helping my fellow-beings to realize that there is Eternal joy and bliss for each and every being on this earth. I make no pretensions to scholarly attainments or high intellectuality, and only claim that within the covers of this book I in a measure explain how the Divine Power is used in healing and curing diseases. Surely my many years of uniform success in healing and curing any and all diseases by Divine Healing entitles me to present the subject in a work of this character.

So-called sin, wickedness, error, disease, or sickness do exist, but are but transitory conditions and can be cured and overcome by Divine Power. In fact, that is the only remedy. There is a large class of persons nowadays who live a false life by denying these conditions. And right here permit me to quote a great Spiritual man on this subject. He says: "The process which begins with the denial of everything evil is not a true one. It depends for its basis upon the assumption of the unreality of the body and of so-called material things. But the body is a reality upon its own

plane, and in the degree in which the real unity of life is expressed through it. Hence to deny the reality of disease and pain upon that plane is incorrect and only juggling with words. Indeed, the very attempt to deny away certain conditions can only result, in fact, in emphasizing the reality of those very conditions. If you say, in good faith, that there is no sin, sickness, or disease, you have simply succeeded in hypnotizing yourself into a belief that is an error. All these conditions do in truth exist. They are but transitory conditions, to be sure, through which the soul passes, but to him who is undergoing them and suffering from their effects they are very real; nor can they be overcome or rendered non-existent by means of mere denial."

We overcome darkness by letting in the light. Falsehood is destroyed by truth. Disease is cured by the Real Life Force—by the Divine Power, which is the Soul and Life of this Universe. The only denying I make is that I deny that disease can withstand the Universal Power of good—the Divine Power. I deny the superiority of the body or mind over the power of the Soul or the power of God. I know and understand the power of the Good and the Pure. I never tell a sufferer he is not sick or diseased. I fully recognize this condition, and I also fully know how to use and direct the Divine power to cure him and make him whole. The Divine Command is, "Thou shalt not lie." It is a lie to affirm, when rotting with disease, "*I have no disease.*" There is a certain cult in the world who treat sick people by teaching them to say and believe that they are not sick. If not sick, why treat them? This sort of false doctrine can only work great mischief in the end. I say, let us face the Truth, and the Truth shall make us free from bondage unto sin and death. In other words, let us be true, honest, and sincere. The Truth is the most potential thing in the Universe. We have sickly and diseased bodies because we have wrong thoughts, feelings, and desires; because we have not realized the Divine Power to cure and heal us. Only after one has been redeemed by the indwelling Power of God—the Divine Power—can he be sound and well. Then he can, with all Truth, say, "I am not sick."

By carefully reading this book and dwelling upon the Absolute Truth which is given in it, the sufferer from disease will discover a Power which will manifest health and joy in every fibre of his being. There is no secret about Divine Healing. The true Divine Healer must unselfishly guide people to the great and only healing power. Admit and confess to God with tears of sorrow that you are sick and desire to be well; don't

make any silly or nonsensical affirmations that you are well when you are sick.

Thus you will plant, as it were, the seed to new life; the power of God will do the rest. The Power of God in the Divine Healer's life is what makes his work fruitful and productive. The Healer by a pure and simple life becomes a powerful medium through which the Divine Force or Power passes to reach the patient. The Divine Healer never has any doubt or fear about healing or curing. He has the most perfect faith and hope. The God Power can never manifest itself through cowards, doubters, or impure or dishonest healers. Ever remember this.

With these introductory remarks I will proceed in the following chapters of my book to explain and make clear what Divine Healing is and how one can acquire this Power.

DIVINE HEALING.

CHAPTER I.

SPIRIT AND MATTER.

THROUGHOUT the universe we find but two things, Matter and Spirit — material and Life. This Spirit or Life, which is the Divine Power or Force, pervades all matter to a more or less degree. In man, the greatest being we know of, this Power manifests itself to a greater degree, and certainly with more intelligence, than in any other material form we know anything about.

Matter of itself is inert and has no power or intelligence, yet it is as real and eternal as Spirit or Divine Power. That it never existed is unthinkable; it has always existed. The Divine Power is eternally working on, in and through matter, moulding and organizing it into countless forms.

All animate matter is merely material in which the Spirit or Divine Power is at work. All matter throughout the universe is essentially the same. The suns, stars, moons, and planets are shown by the spectroscope to be composed of the same chemical elements — the same matter — as our own planet or our own solar system. So throughout the impenetrable depths of space we find this same matter at every hand, in every conceivable shape and form. On this planet, wherever man goes, he finds Spirit or Divine Power at work upon matter, producing from it countless bodies full of life.

Therefore, the universe is composed only of Spirit and matter — Divine Power working upon matter, producing a great variety of living forms or bodies. The Divine Power works upon matter which is in minute particles, atoms, and molecules, everywhere throughout infinite space, and organizes and builds with it suns, planets, and moons; then it further works with matter, making living bodies and thus peopling the planet with all its various

forms of life. Divine Power is all powerful and all intelligent, and is persistently at work manifesting itself in every form of life we see. Matter alone can do nothing; it is merely the substance through which Spirit or Divine Power can express itself on the physical plane.

Matter is composed, as far as science can determine, of nearly one hundred elements, each element preserving its independence and is forever unchangeable. These elements in the form of matter are continually being combined, dissolved, and recombined. The soul or spirit of a human being is using and reusing this matter eternally in building its temple or body. In doing this grand and mysterious work — the building of a body — the soul uses Divine Power, the only power or force in the universe which can arrange inert matter into blood, tissue, cells, muscles, nerves, bones, etc., and then permeate the whole structure with life — intelligent life.

Few persons out of the billions of human beings who live on this planet ever stop to think about what they are, how they exist, or how they have life. Some think they are bodies with souls, some feel they are souls with a body, and a great many doubt the existence of an eternal soul at all. A great many believe the world and they have been created by a monster personal God out of nothing; that this God sits afar off on a throne viewing His creation, and holding in one hand a reward and in the other hand a rod of punishment. Creating something out of nothing is unthinkable, while an avenging God full of anger and wrath is only the creation of ignorant, low, and vulgar minds.

The God of this universe is all-loving, all-merciful, and dwells to a more or less extent within the heart and soul of each and every being in the universe. God is HERE and EVERYWHERE in His universe. He is omnipresent — wherever there is the slightest expression of life, there is God; or, the Divine Power at work. When we can once grasp and understand the working of the Divine Power in and through our souls and bodies, then we know how to control and direct the Life Force so that we will become perfect and harmonious bodies which will thrill with health, joy, bliss and happiness instead of being disturbed and jarred by disease.

Before we can understand or realize how Divine Power works we must study both Spirit and matter and understand that both are eternal. Matter is the clay, and Spirit, or Divine Power, the potter. Spirit, through

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the soul, works on matter and produces the human temple or body, the most wonderful creation in the universe. This Divine Power is God. This God we see constantly at work in every nook and corner of the globe we call LIFE. God, or the Divine Power, is the all-good of the universe and works with purpose, wisdom, and intelligence. There is no experimenting or guesswork with Divine Power, and right here I can state that that is the reason Divine Healing is so uniformly successful in healing and curing diseases.

Man in all ages has, in his ignorance and wonder at the marvellous universe, placed at its head all sorts of curious and strange gods. Moreover, mankind has always, up to recently, endowed these gods with countless absurd and foolish characteristics and powers, which has left the worshipper wandering through life in a dazed and uncertain state of mind, and his heart the home of sorrow and doubt, while his body has suffered untold agonies from disease because of this general state of darkness in which the soul and body has been plunged. "Natural Theology," which was nothing without a personal God with all the attributes of the meanest and lowest human being on earth, was totally blind to nature and the true God. This theology had as its central and underlying principle the idea of eternal punishment and damnation—an eternal hell. How could any true man love, much less respect, such a cruel God, or take kindly to such a system of theology?

This theology did not satisfy the soul or the cravings of the mind for the truth, and led thousands to doubt, denial, pessimism, and atheism. Man, under such teachings, will naturally say, "Either God does not wish to destroy evil or He cannot." The Truth about God and Divine Power, only recently so generally understood, has clearly demonstrated that God is so Great that He stands far above theology, dogma, creed, sect, or system.

The first step towards comprehending God or the Divine Power is to understand the true value of matter and its proper relation to Spirit or Divine Power. Matter bears the same relation to Spirit or Divine Power as does a soft piece of putty in the hands of the boy who moulds it into many forms. All material living forms that we see are the gross effects of Soul and Divine Power. The human body is a holy temple, and is formed and made by the Soul and Divine Power. The more Soul or Divine

Power we have, the stronger, better, and more perfect will be our body — the temple. The human body is said to be the acme of God's material handiwork, — "the masterpiece of the Divine Architect."

Divine Healing as practised by me is a development of this most wonderful and progressive age, and it is my hope to set forth in this book facts and truths about God and Divine Power which will be a revelation to those who heretofore have believed in and worshipped a far-away God with human attributes and human characteristics. It is a grand awakening to realize the true God of the universe, and work with Him and the Divine Power and not against Him.

The dawn of darkness has passed, and we are entering the soul age, when we will better understand God and Divine Power. The soul of humanity has awakened and is seeking God. In this connection permit me to quote a passage from a giant of Spirituality and Divine Wisdom, Mrs. Edwin M. Keatley. She says: "It is a grand thing to possess *soul*, and peculiarities of soul are even more hereditary than those of body. It takes longer for the fruit than the flower to mature; so does it take longer for the soul than the body to attain perfection. The world, like the individual, has soul, and its evolution has been according to its national progress. Ages upon ages have written their rise and fall in the pages of history. Like all history, the first truths have rested upon the body and the last upon the soul. Thus have we risen individually and nationally from the practical, the mental, the moral, and the natural, into the spiritual. The march of the world has just passed. The environments of all life have fermented in the world's being until the body and soul of humanity are stirred to the centre with expectancy. What is the world waiting for? Read from the pages of the past and from the signs of the present the 'still, small voice' of the future. Look, ye who have eyes to see, for the twentieth century is winged with a light never felt before — for the new century is the age of the soul! Humanity is ready for the evolution of its being, and it knoweth its own. This is no dream, for the test of any great matter is in the little things that form it. The little things that form the character of our new age are at our doors. Only the deaf cannot hear, and they 'have ears but hear not'; only the blind cannot see, and they 'have eyes but see not.'"

By realizing God and what Divine Power is, one becomes at one with God, and not only brings peace, joy, and happiness to his own being, but can also bring his fellow beings into a higher and better state, — physically, mentally, and spiritually. With respect to health, Divine Power is the only force which can permanently lift one from the very lowest depths of despondency, misery, and disease to the highest realms of bliss and perfect and permanent health. A careful reading and study of this book I feel confident will direct any one to God and a fuller and clearer understanding of Him and His Great Power which pervades every part of the universe.

The great mistake of man is to identify the soul with the body. Body is only the tenement or house of the soul. The soul is eternal and is only temporarily residing in the body. Yet with true knowledge of God and the Eternal Divine Power it can make of this body just what it chooses; a strong and healthy body or a weak and sickly body. A Divine Healer who is successful has the power to heal and cure other bodies than his own; indeed, there is no limit to his work in this line. But, as above stated, he must be one who understands that the soul is one thing — the very I of being — and that the body is another thing, merely a vehicle or temple which the soul uses for a time. The Divine Healer is a real seer and knower of God and a real devotee of God; by his pure thinking, pure living, and fasting and praying, he becomes a medium through whom God can work, especially in the healing of diseases. What disease is and how it is cured by Divine Power is explained fully further on in this book. This chapter is written with the special idea of suggesting to my readers that they are eternal souls with bodies, and not bodies with souls; that the soul is the grand worker or master of the body — the real director and controller of body and mind. The mind is merely the instrument of the soul and in Divine Healing plays no part. Divine Healing is not mental healing. The Divine Power is supplied to the soul by the God of the universe, and is a God Power, billions of times more forceful and potential than any form of mind power. The soul is the ruler of the whole body. He is the ruler because he causes every vibration and every motion of the body. As the ruler of the body, his nature is life; as the ruler of the senses his nature is thought; and in deep sleep his nature is bliss. It is only foolish

men who mistake the unstable and ever changeful body for the soul or real inner man. The soul does not die even when the body dies, but passes out of the body, taking with it all its vital force and the Divine Power and energy which it controls. At death the body becomes mere dead matter without any power or force or any intelligence. The soul has passed on and forward to another plane of existence, leaving the body to resolve itself by chemical action back into the infinite ocean of matter.

The soul is more or less conditioned by the body and therefore we should ever strive to build a clean, pure body, as Divine Power can better express itself through a clean and pure body. When we appeal to God earnestly and sincerely for Love, light, direction, and guidance — which is a very high prayer — He answers our prayer. Soon we learn that the Divine Command or injunction is that we must clean up our houses — our bodies. We use the mind then to help us cleanse and purify our bodies by taking it away from low and sensual things and directing it to God and the Great Universe which He governs and rules, and in thinking and meditating on the part we play in the great drama. This brings the mind eventually to a contemplation of the body, and by deep and patient thought it soon discovers that the body is a mass of matter organized and dominated by an eternal Soul, which gathers its force or power from the All-Father — the Blessed One of the Universe, who is the All in All — who is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. God is all-powerful, all-present and all-knowing, and will come to us as soon as we realize our true relation to Him.

In the chapter on "Prayer and Meditation" I have been particular to direct my readers how to pray and meditate so that they may realize God and the Divine Power. In speaking of prayer, ever remember that the highest religion does not consist in mere theorizing, lip practising, nor does it consist in the mere uttering of a few meaningless prayers, singing of hymns, nor in going to church in Sunday costume. It consists in actual realization, like any truth of science. The real commencement of a truly religious life is when we begin to study spirit and matter, and see how beautifully God — the Divine Power — is continually working in and through matter. Such study will open the eyes to more truth, and give one more force and power and happiness than study and belief in all the dogmas and creeds in

the universe. It is then we begin to realize that we are the children of a God of Great Love, of Great Mercy, whose Divine Power pervades the whole universe. Furthermore, we will also discover that each and every one of us is a part of a universal brotherhood of which this God is the head or Father, and that just as soon as we are just and honest enough to be trusted with the Divine Power we will have it in abundance, and can heal and cure the sick with it.

But aside from healing and curing disease, the Divine Power gives us knowledge and wisdom, and enables us to banish drudgery, slavery, and poverty. It is only ignorance and a lack of force and power which keeps man in poverty and makes him a drudge. When man once feels and realizes the Divine Power within him, and realizes that he is at one with God, then, and not until then, is he entirely freed from all woe, all misery, and all suffering of any kind. Before real peace or real force can come he must know and realize that God or Divine Power is the sustaining force of everything in the universe; that the universe is merely the result or effect of Divine Power or the Spirit acting upon matter; that each being is an eternal soul using Divine Power in building the body or holy temple in which it lives. It is in your power to make and unmake things.

KNOW.

“Ye suffer from yourselves, none else compels,
None other holds you that ye live and die
And whirl upon the wheel, and hug and kiss
Its spokes of agony,
Its tire of tears, its nave of nothingness.
Behold, I show you truth
Lower than Hell,
Higher than Heaven, outside the utmost stars,
Before beginning and without end,
As space eternal and as surety sure,
Is fixed a Power divine which moves to good;
Only its laws endure.”

It is knowing, becoming, and realizing that Divine Power that is salvation. Know that you are that Power always; but your desire for earthly things, your appetites and passions, make you forget your real nature.

When we give matter more credit than Spirit or Divine Power, then we are weak and ignorant and suffer from disease, doubts, and fears. Matter is continually being changed and manipulated by Divine Power, so we see there is no stability to it. Yet we also see that it is indestructible and eternal. We must realize we are souls, and the masters and controllers of matter; that we are at one with God, the Divine Power, and are moulding and building this whole universe in an orderly and intelligent manner.

With the full realization of the God within us we get Divine Power, and cast out all diseases in our own bodies and in the bodies of others. The simplest and easiest way to get this Power is to be good and do good. This will take you to the highest truth there is. The Divine Power comes only to the truly good and virtuous.

CHAPTER II.

HOW TO ACQUIRE DIVINE POWER.

"For of the soul the body form doth take;
For soul is form, and doth the body make."

WHILE Divine Power is a gift from God, it can be acquired and greatly increased by living an exemplary life. All Divine Healers spend much of their time in retirement, prayer, meditation, fasting, and doing good works. They are men who have overcome their desires, passions, and appetites, and who live absolutely pure lives. Jesus Christ was the greatest Divine Healer who ever came to this earth, and a study of his life clearly shows he lived a simple and very pure life. He often fasted and retired into the silence for prayer and communion with God the Father. Anyone who will live as Christ did, and think as he thought, will be at one with God the Father and have Divine Power to its full extent or highest degree. God or Divine Power does not manifest itself in an impure man or woman, or in one who is not full of Love and Compassion for *all* mankind. The bigoted and intolerant and self-righteous have little or no Divine Power. The Divine Healer must be a liberal-minded man, as broad as all space. He loves everything in the universe and is a God worshipper and sees God in all beings; therefore he loves all beings. He does not confine himself to any one of the different religions, philosophies, sects, and creeds, because he loves all beings regardless of sex, religion, creed, color, or nationality. GOD IS THE FATHER OF ALL and the ALL IN ALL. The Blessed One loves the so-called sinner or wicked man with the same love He puts forth for the saint. God is not limited. Men with small and narrow beliefs limit God, and make Him a small, petty ruler with the attributes and characteristics of a human being.

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God—its Hells and its Heavens — made men weaklings, arrant cowards, God-fearers, and God-haters, instead of God-lovers. NO ONE CAN BE GOD-LIKE OR HAVE GOD POWER UNTIL HE IS A GOD LOVER. And who can love the Great and Blessed God who does not love all of God's children and his fellow-men, whether they be Jews, Christians, Mohammedans, Brahmins, Buddhists, black or white, Protestants or Roman Catholics?

God does not make the distinctions between His children that man does. He dearly and unceasingly loves ALL beings with Divine Love, which is the purest and highest love there is, and is not limited or restricted. Damnation and eternal punishment of man is man's own invention purely, and is not of God. GOD IS LOVE. Divine Love and Divine Power are Life, and the One Great Force or Power which pervades all. Know and realize this and you will know and love God and have the Divine Power to do great works. A God-fearing man can never acquire the Divine Power; it only comes to the God-loving man.

How can a man be strong, brave, and courageous who fears the All-Father? There can be no true love where there is the slightest fear. Fear is the twin brother of doubt. He who fears or doubts God cannot possess Divine Power to any marked degree. So a great Divine Healer is always a great God-lover—a worshipper of God and His universe and all that is in it. He sees God in everything and therefore loves everything. Such a God-lover and worshipper is at one with God and has Divine Power, Divine Love, and Divine Wisdom.

With Divine Power and Wisdom, the Divine Healer can operate on his own body or the bodies of other souls, no matter whether they be near him or far away. This Divine Power is omnipresent and all-powerful. Wherever it touches there can be no disease or inharmony. Divine Power builds and adjusts rightly. It is the power of God and the soul. Man is a living, eternal soul, and is shaping and forming the body which he uses as a temporary residence. The body suffers pain and distress because of a lack of Divine Force and Power, which can only be brought to it in abundance by one who is a Divine Healer, or by the soul itself, sending forth to God much love, and thus receiving it.

The best way to love and worship God is to love and worship all of His beings — your fellow-beings — which includes even all of the animals. We

are all the children of God — the Blessed One, and we cannot love or please the All-Father more than by being kind, gentle and loving to all his creatures. When we can do this, then Divine Power and Divine Love will constantly flood every fibre of our bodies and we will be a great power for good in the world. Sickness, disease, sorrow, grief, and sadness cannot exist in the true God-lover or the true Divine Healer. Moreover, the Divine Healer can cure and heal others who are diseased, and set them on the right path which will lead to permanent health, joy, peace, and happiness.

Divine Power is acquired by one having faith in the Universal Power of God. God is good and is all Love, and as we love the works of God and our fellow-men so shall we have faith in the universal good, and love for God. Our love should begin first with mankind. "The first and most important step is not loving a personal God of whom we can form only a very faint conception; it is in loving the fellow-beings that are around us here and now. True love in the mind of man is first begotten of the aid, comfort, and assistance that he can render to other lives. And that true love, commencing first with individuals, gradually extends until it takes in every living, moving, breathing thing, proceeding from the individual outward to the circumference of all things."

We see, then, that in order to acquire Divine Power and become a Divine Healer, it is necessary that faith, hope, love, and courage shall abide strongly in the soul. To get faith, hope, and love we must at once cleanse our minds and hearts of any anger, hatred, or passion, and keep them filled with the very highest and purest love. We must fast and pray, and spend much time alone in the Silence. In our prayers we must ask only for Love, Light, and Direction, and that we may not judge or criticise others. No Divine Power can come to him who criticises by thought or word the so-called sin and wickedness in his fellow-men, or who believes that his or her way to God is the only right way, and that others are on the wrong path. The Divine Healer loves all, and has peace, good will and charity for all. And right here let me say with emphasis that the Divine Healer must not decry other systems of healing disease. He can with truth positively declare that Divine Power is the only power to cure diseases of any kind permanently, but he must not become fanatical or dogmatical. There is at the present

time a class of Christian healers who are bringing just ridicule upon themselves by their fanaticism and ridiculous claims. As a matter of fact, these people could do much good were they more temperate and moderate in their claims.

The fundamental idea of Divine Healing is that God and man are essentially one. This means that God, the eternal principle of all Being, the power which creates and supports everything, is identical with the self or the soul that is in the body and animates it, which we with right knowledge recognize as our very self, as our inner and true being. This soul or self of ours is encased in a built-up and perishable body. That the soul or self can acquire and direct the Divine Power to help construct its body is well known to the Divine Healer, and it is through this knowledge and realization of his at-oneness with God that he has the power to heal, cure, construct, and reconstruct the body.

The Divine Healer never thinks of himself or any other being only as AN ETERNAL SOUL WITH A BODY, and not a body with a soul. He knows that the soul in all beings is eternal, and is constructing its body and mind and using them as instruments. The difficulty men have in realizing or recognizing that they are eternal souls is that the soul or real man is the inner self in every being; as such it is, on one side, the most certain of all things and cannot be denied by any one; on the other side, however, it is not discernible because it functions as subject in every thought and can never be observed as object. It may, however, be discovered by the wise when in the state of perfect meditation or prayer, consisting in the withdrawal of all organs from all outward objects, and in a concentration into one's own inner being. The soul dwells in the fortress of the body which itself has built consciously or unconsciously. When man recognizes his oneness with God, and realizes that he is an eternal soul, from that moment on he has knowledge of Divine Power and how to use it, and therefore constructs and moulds his body conscious of his power and greatness. Until man realizes that he is an eternal soul with God Power, he moulds and builds the body unconsciously and does not make such a perfect and harmonious body, hence sickness and disease.

For instance, a man who does not fully realize or feel the Divine within him is not filled with the power of hope and courage and faith which that

man has who feels and knows he is an eternal soul — a very God — going onward, forward, and upward forever — eternally. Such a man feels that he is a body with possibly a soul; but often doubts the existence of even his soul. Of course, such a being naturally gives about all its mind and attention to the body and neglects the soul forever; he pampers the body with food and luxuries until it becomes often a mass of corruption; he indulges all of his appetites and passions without any restraint — the soul is building and constructing the body in ignorance because it is not yet conscious of its power and greatness; it is not building a perfect or harmonious body, and the result is that discord and disease fills such a body. Life or the Divine Power is lacking in any body thus constructed. On the other hand, when man is conscious that he is really an eternal soul, at-one with the God of the universe, a living, working, planning soul, creating and constructing the very body or temple in which he lives, he builds wisely. Such a soul is at one with God and has the Divine Power to work with. He makes his own body a perfect temple, and can also work on the bodies of other souls, strengthening them and making them harmonious. That is exactly what the true Divine Healer does; he is a soul with Divine Power to act upon the matter of which the body is made, and thus recreates it.

We have seen in the previous chapter how there is only matter and Spirit in the universe. The whole of this universe can be resolved into matter. Everything that we see around us, feel, touch, taste, is simply a different form of matter; all which we call solids, liquids, gases, figures, and forms, or bodies, the earth, the sun, the moon, the stars — everything is composed of matter. What acts upon this matter to manufacture this universe out of it? Along with matter exists the Divine Power or universal power, which acts upon and lives in matter intelligently, forming and manufacturing the countless forms and bodies we see about us. Divine Power is the Spirit of the universe, and the only power in the universe. All that is power in the universe, manifesting as force, or attraction — nay, even as thought — is but a different manifestation of that One Power which is Divine Power. All the Divine Healer does is to use this Divine Power in an intelligent and honest way to bring relief to suffering humanity — to heal and cure the soul's body, which is material. Matter can never heal or cure matter, or, rather, arrange atoms and molecules of the body so

that they will be in harmonious relations with each other; the only force which can act upon matter is the Divine Power, and hence it is the only power which can permanently heal and cure diseases of the material body. By a thorough understanding of the difference between matter and spirit — body and soul — we begin to get knowledge about what Divine Power is, how to acquire it, and how to use it. It is your soul, the real man, who creates the body — the apparent man. The soul first creates the mind, and with this wonderful instrument it creates the gross body. Now, as we have said, the soul either does this work consciously or unconsciously; in the lower types of being this body and mind building is done unconsciously, while in the highest types it is done consciously, and therefore perfectly. The Divine Healer is a soul which is conscious of its greatness and its Divine Power; it keeps its own body in perfect health, strength, and harmony, and has the Divine Power to keep other bodies in that same condition.

What does prayer, fasting, and meditation do for the real man — the soul? It awakens it to a consciousness of its true relation with the Great God of the Universe, and thus makes it conscious of its greatness and power. When we pray and fast and meditate on God we are not living in the senses, and the mind and body become receptive to the Divine Power, which floods into our being, giving us new life and lifting us on a higher plane of consciousness. All Divine Healers give much time to prayer, fasting, and meditation. Much praying, fasting, and meditation opens the heart to Divine Love, and makes one kind, gentle, and considerate to all; it fills one with Divine Love and Divine Power. The Divine Healer is constantly putting forth great volumes of love to all mankind and the whole animal creation. He loves and worships God in every breath he breathes; his whole life is consecrated to doing good; he has no thought of his own individuality only so far as he can be a help to mankind. He is a great and wonderful worker for all good in the world. Those who least think of their own individualities are the greatest and most powerful workers in the world. When man realizes God or the Great Divine Power of this universe, and knows that he is at one with God or the Divine Power, then alone that man loves with the pure Divine Love. He finds God is not a low, vulgar little mortal; he finds God the All in All — living in *all* beings. “Then alone

a man loves when he finds that the object of his love was not a clod of earth, but the veritable God. That wife will love the husband more when she thinks that the husband is God Himself. That husband will love the wife more when he knows that wife is God Himself. That mother will love the children more who thinks that these children are God Himself. That man loves his greatest enemy who knows that that very enemy is God Himself. That man loves a holy man who knows that the holy man is God Himself, and that very man loves the unholyest of men because he knows that the background of that unholyest of men is even He, the Lord, and that man becomes a Divine Power, a world mover for whom the little self is dead and God stands in its place. With a few such Divine men the whole universe will become transfigured, as it were. That which is painful and miserable will all vanish; struggles, woe, misery, and disease will be no more. Instead of being a prison house, where we every day struggle and fight and compete for a morsel of bread, this whole universe will become a beautiful playground. Beautiful will be this universe. The Divine man alone can say, 'How beautiful is this world.' He alone has the right to say it is all good. If all mankind to-day realized only a bit of that truth the whole world would be changed, and instead of fighting and quarrelling there would be peace. All this indecent, brutal hurry which forces us to go ahead of every one else would vanish."

The Divine Healer never looks at any man as evil; but looks at him as a being who has not yet fully realized the God within him, and by taking this attitude the healer awakens within the so-called evil or diseased one the Divine Power which helps the sufferer to a consciousness of the God Power which heals and cures all diseases and all evil.

To have health, strength, vigor, and be able to give the same to others, we must ever be filled with Love, Truth, Life, and Harmony. There is but One Life, One Intelligence, and One Power in the universe, and that comes from God and pervades every nook and corner of the universe. As all Life is One, strictly speaking, there is no You nor I—the same life that animates you animates me. The apparent difference in people is only a difference in their consciousness. The Divine Healer reaches, through his love for Life, God, and the Universal Good, the super-conscious state which enables him to understand and use Divine Power, in rousing others to a higher state of consciousness.

One can acquire Divine Power, or reach the super-conscious state, by patiently and persistently striving to know God, and by giving up their works to God and humanity. A selfish or an intolerant man can never acquire Divine Power; neither can a sensual or impure man acquire this power. Purity, chastity, continence, worship, honesty and good works are the stepping-stones to the acquirement of this great healing power.

In the following chapter on "Prayer, Fasting, and Meditation," I give the reader an idea of what it is necessary to do to prepare for this great and noble work — Divine Healing.

CHAPTER III.

HOW TO PRAY, FAST, AND MEDITATE.

“What is that, knowing which, everything else is to be known?”

THE one aim of the Divine Healer must be the search after unity. He must possess all knowledge about the *body, soul, spirit, and mind*, and not be in the dark or confused by these different terms. The very best way to acquire such knowledge is by following and practising a course of prayer, fasting, and meditation. The one theme of the Divine Healer is the search after unity; he does not care for the particular; he is always after the general knowledge, nay, the universal. “What is that, knowing which, everything else is to be known?” That is the central and underlying thought of the Divine Healer. The whole universe itself must be known to him. That is his one search. Through living a pure life, and praying constantly and earnestly to God for Light, Direction, Knowledge, and Guidance, the Divine Power — Divine Intelligence — comes to him and he finds that this whole universe can be resolved into spirit and matter; that every manifestation of power or energy is due to the One Divine Power or One Universal Life which is omnipresent, omnipotent, and omniscient — it is the God of the Universe, pervading all matter; it is the All in All. It is through prayer, fasting, and meditating that we can understand and realize the universal law, or the Divine Power. All law is law by Divine appointment, for a Divine purpose, and all Life and all Force and all Power is the ever-active Divine Power.

“There is nothing hidden that shall not be revealed.” God is ever ready to freely give truth to the real searcher or truth-seeker. To get great volumes of Divine Power, when I have great numbers of patients to heal and cure, I spend an hour or so in the early morning, at noon, and at night just before retiring, all alone and in the Silence, in meditating on the following themes: —

"GOD IS LOVE; LOVE IS LAW. Law is Lord of this mighty orb and *I am* an important factor. *I am* Love and I attract Love. *I am* Love and I attract Light. *I am* Love and I attract Life. *I am* Love and I reflect Love, Light, Life, and Divine Power. Then come from the four winds, O Breath of the Blessed One, and surround me with an atmosphere of Peace, Power, Plenty."

During the days I thus meditate I live on air and water, taking no solid food whatever, and spend my whole time outside of the prayer and meditation hours in healing and curing diseases. The Divine Power at such times works wonders and stays with me for months, when I again meditate and pray. Of course, the Divine Healer must pray and meditate every day; indeed, his whole life must be one of unceasing prayer. But it is well every month or so to take a few days and go into retirement or the Silence for special prayer and special meditation.

The Divine Healer ever keeps in mind that "STRONGER THAN WOE IS WEAL." In the silence his heart fairly bursts with Love for *all*; he realizes that he is at one with the very God of the Universe. He declares with joy and bliss:—

"I will climb—even though I stumble. I shall mount, until I reach that high altitude of Divine Mastership. Dauntless I shall stand master of my own forces, and issue my commands. Then PEACE, PEACE, PEACE, I say, 'Peace be still and know that I am God' of this sanctuary. God within gives me Strength, Truth, Light, Love, Freedom, and Power. Oh, Blessed One in whom I dwell, I have Peace, Power, and Plenty. I am at-one with the Law of Life, Love, and Light. I am as free as the boundless space, I therefore claim my Divine Heritage as did my elder brother, for THE FATHER AND I ARE ONE."

The above prayer, when uttered in the fulness of Love, brings to the Divine Healer, or any one for that matter, great strength, great peace, and great power. When in a quiet and calm state, generally after a day or two of prayer and fasting, the Divine Healer will do well to affirm as follows:—

I AM AN ETERNAL SOUL.

I AM THE SON OF THE MOST HIGH.

ALL ARE ETERNAL SOULS.

ALL ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD.

I EVER WAS AND EVER WILL BE.

I LIVE IN THE ALL GOOD.

I AM BAPTIZED WITH THE FIRE OF LOVE.

The one great truth which the Divine Healer must burn in his mind and heart is that God the Blessed One is no respecter of persons ; that ALL are made of one Life. All men are FREE and EQUAL in the sight of God. Think of this continually. Pray to God repeatedly that you may realize the truth of Oneness — of unity. Live and act as if ALL were of One Blessed Father. Is there any better religion? One Universal Life, which is the Divine Power, pervades the whole universe. We are all one great family and God is our Father — the Father of all. This is the truth. "KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE."

To become a true Divine Healer one must KNOW (not believe) the true state of being, of Life itself ; that Life which was, is, and ever more shall be. "As the Father hath Life in Himself, so is it given to the Son to have life in himself." Jesus realized the Sonship and Fatherhood ; that both are one and eternal, and, therefore, had more Divine Power than any man who has yet come to this earth. He was the greatest Divine Healer we have any record of. It is well to remember in this connection that Jesus was full of Love and Compassion for ALL. He was not a respecter of men ; he loved all, even his enemies, because he positively knew and realized, as every Divine Healer knows and realizes, that we are all one. "That which exists is one ; sages call it variously." Before man can have Divine Power as Jesus had it, he must understand the unity of substance and the allness of Spirit. Therefore, the interest of one is the interest of all ; the good of one is the good of all ; for all Truth and all good, even the fulness of the blessing of omnipresence, applies alike to each and all.

Jesus was meek, yet firm, kind, gentle, loving, tolerant, and charitable to the highest degree. He lived an absolutely pure life and spent much of his time in prayer, fasting, and meditation — all for one purpose — to be able to do the All Father's work. His whole life and teachings were to show man the unity of life and oneness of substance. A great modern teacher recently said : "The unity of life or oneness of substance is becoming a fixed basis for our daily conduct ; our own private mental behavior is being based upon it ; we are coming to see the unity of all

things that in any way interest mankind. The unity of educative subjects, the unity of art, of morals, industries, amusements, as well as philosophies, are apparent in the light of Divine Power and Divine Light which is now being honestly comprehended."

The only salvation man needs is to be saved from his false opinions about himself and God. The Blessed One is not far away. He is the very Life within us. We are one with God, and therefore all-powerful when we once realize that truth. The Divine Healer, through living purely, doing good works, persistently praying for the Truth, the absolute truth, and by loving all beings, realizes this truth, and hence his wonderful Divine Power, which enables him to restore Life, Force, Vigor, and Strength to the weak, and heal and cure all diseases. God's Power is all-powerful, and when man works with it he finds all obstacles removed, and he is ready to say, with David, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

The following statements of truth for health and general freedom ought to be frequently meditated upon or affirmed:—

"I AM ALPHA, THE FIRST, THE WORD THAT IS WITH GOD."

"I AM THE FIRMAMENT—THE FIRM, UNWAVERING ACT OF GOD, THAT NEVER CEASES."

"I AM LIFE, HEALTH, AND STRENGTH, PERFECT FORM."

"I AM TWO GREAT LIGHTS, SELF-KNOWLEDGE AND ITS EXPRESSION."

"I AM THAT LIFE THAT BRINGS FORTH ABUNDANTLY."

"ALL THINGS ARE FOREVER UNITED IN GOD."

"I AM GREATER THAN ANYTHING I HAVE TO CONTEND WITH. I AM OMEGA, THE LAST, THE END. I REST IN GOD."

The above truths ought to be meditated on in the Silence.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High."

The Prayer of thanks should be a ceaseless prayer. Every minute we should feel a thrill and glow of gratitude for the blessings of being; cheerfulness, patience, happiness, and hopefulness under any and all conditions is the highest prayer of thanks we can offer to the Blessed One.

"Not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

So, without fear, but with the faith that is "strong in the Lord and in the power of His might" shall we go forth rejoicing, and "putting on the whole armor of God" bring to all hearts "glad tidings of great joy." This is the ceaseless prayer of thanks which will bring Divine Power to him who lives in its spirit. The Divine Healer acquires the Divine Power to heal and cure all diseases and do other mighty works, by always being calm, patient, cheerful, joyful, and happy. He thus uses his spiritual and moral powers, and develops tremendous strength and power to overcome disease, misery, and unhappiness. Silent prayer and deep meditation develops also veneration. God hears and answers all prayers when made in the proper spirit. Veneration, Spirituality and Divine Power increase and become stronger and stronger as we live the God-life, and eventually we find we have the Divine Power to stimulate others to higher and better things — and to heal and cure them of their diseases.

Prayer, Fasting, and Meditation develops great benevolence. Benevolence must be developed in the Divine Healer. St. Paul says that charity and benevolence are the greatest virtues of a child of God. The exercise of benevolence constitutes a large part of the works that St. James speaks of when he says that "Faith without works is dead."

"OH, BLESSED GOD, EVER DIRECT ME TO THE PATH OF BENEVOLENCE AND CHARITY; MAY I GIVE OF LOVE AND MATERIAL THINGS WITH AN OPEN HEART AND A FREE HAND."

Then comes the prayer and meditation about conscientiousness, or asking God to give you great strength and great power so that you will have an intense and persistent love of right, honesty, justness, and firmness; that we may always do our full duty to all.

"OH, BLESSED ONE, TEACH ME MY DUTY TOWARD MY NEIGHBOR — MY BROTHER. ENLIGHTEN MY CONSCIENTIOUSNESS AND MAY I BE KIND, GENTLE, JUST, AND TRUE TO ALL."

The Divine Healer by Divine Power kills the carnal nature within man. He who can master and control his desires, passions, and appetites can master and control all nature. Thus it is that the soul gets the Divine Power to build its own body, and not only that, but construct and reconstruct other bodies. The rule for becoming a great Divine Power or at one with God, is so simple that it could be written in these few words: —

Be absolutely pure in thought and deed ; be chaste ; control the carnal nature within. Love God with all your heart and soul ; be thankful, grateful, patient, and cheerful. Love all beings ; free the mind, the heart, and soul from all envy, malice, hate, or greed. Live and let live. Be absolutely free from bigotry and intolerance ; judge not — censor not. Pray without ceasing to the Blessed One for Light, Direction, and Guidance. Be charitable and benevolent ; strenuously strive to do good. Avoid fanaticism, and being self-righteous. Don't be a professional reformer ; professional reformers are disturbers of God's work. Each soul has about enough to do to reform its own mind and body, and when this is properly done that soul will unconsciously reform countless other beings in a quiet, gentle, and dignified way. So-called reformers in the eyes of the really Divine or God-man are a set of disturbers of the peace. Each soul works out its own salvation, through Divine Power.

"Blessed One, it is my constant desire to be free from fanaticism ; may I not disturb my brothers and sisters by seeing in them sin, evil, and wickedness. But may I be able to win them to a true consciousness of what they are, and bring to them joy and health and peace and happiness by pouring upon them thy Divine Love and Power, which is the only cure for all our ills ; the only uplifting power in the universe."

Therefore the mission of the Divine Healer is not to disturb anyone, but to bring peace, joy, happiness, and gladness into the world. He teaches man that he is not a worm, but an eternal living soul, which is forever going onward, forward, and upward. He causes men through Divine Power to Love God—to become God-lovers. God is within each being. His mission is one of Love and work. "Let us not be weary of well doing ; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." The Divine Healer awakens man to a realization of his true nature. Man has a threefold nature : the spiritual, the metaphysical, and the physical, — soul, mind, and body. This is the Holy Trinity. Through the physical he comprehends matter ; through the metaphysical he comprehends mind and its action ; through the spiritual, or soul, he perceives immaterial things, and is conscious of God and the Divine Power. The real man is soul or spirit, and through his mind he acts upon his body, which is the instrument by which he meets the material world. Thus we see the only real and lasting

power is the Divine Power. It is behind all material manifestation. "Any action is an idea of the mind represented on the body by the manifestations of organs; hence the whole body is moulded to the image put in the mind through the Spirit or Divine Power." Here is given the secret of the whole universe. God is the only maker and the only worker — working in and through countless forms, and the more we comprehend this grand truth, the more pure and Divine we become, and can form and shape our bodies so that they will be fine, beautiful, whole, sound, and harmonious.

"So, every Soul, as it is more pure,
And hath in it the more of Divine Light,
So it the fairer body doth procure
To habit in, and it more fairly dight
With cheerful grace and amiable sight;
For of the Soul the body form doth take,
For Soul is form, and doth the body make."

Prayer is answered. Prayer is talking with the God within you, and telling him your aspirations or desires. "Prayer is communion, aspiration, soul-contact with God." The highest prayer, and the prayer which will help us to the highest realms of joy, bliss, and happiness, is the simple prayer to God, the Blessed One, for Love, Light, Direction, and Guidance. "Blessed One, Teach me how to pray," uttered in the right spirit, will lead man on to knowledge, wisdom, and power.

"All things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye have received them, and ye shall have them."

Prayer is always answered when made aright and made in the right spirit.

The persistent God-lover is one who prays without ceasing. "If ruling desire binds me to God, I shall receive what is God-like." If we love God intensely and talk to Him in prayer, as if He was our nearest, dearest, and oldest friend — and He is more than that — we will have Divine Power in abundance. "To pray and meditate is to lift the soul into unison with the Eternal Goodness."

The true way to commune with God by prayer is to go into the Silence and then pray fervently, recognizing that God is not a far-away God, sitting on a throne, but is eternally and enduringly linked to the soul. Each

Soul and God are One. In prayer we must not whine or beg; just inform God in an honest, sincere, and fervent manner of that which we desire should be done.

OUR BLESSED FATHER WHICH ART WITHIN ME AND WHICH ART OUR VERY BEING, I love thee! I love thee!! I love thee!!! Light my path! Guide my feet! All I ask for, Blessed One, is more love, more love, so that I may send it throughout OUR grand universe in greater abundance.

Prayers have always been answered and always will be. Prayer and meditation give strength and power to all great and good men; indeed, no one can become great, good, and powerful who does not pray or meditate.

When you pray, retire to a quiet spot and be alone IN THE SILENCE. Know and feel that your prayer is answered before you utter it.

The following chapters will give the readers more light on Prayer, Fasting, and Meditation, and help to solve the greatest of all problems, viz: "What is that, knowing which, everything else is to be known?"

CHAPTER IV.

FAITH AND DIVINE POWER.

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles. — Acts vi. 8.

WHILE the true Divine Healer always has tremendous faith in God and his fellow-beings, Divine Healing is in no sense a "faith cure." The question is often asked, In what does Divine Healing differ from the "faith cure?" There is a wide gulf of difference between the two. In the "faith cure" the patient must have faith; in Divine Healing that is not necessary. I have cured many cases of the worst diseases where the patient did not even know I was treating him. Many sick persons have no faith whatever in Divine Power, and would not consent to be treated that way; but friends to whom the sufferers are dear and near — perhaps a wife, a husband, a father, or mother — have me treat these patients without the knowledge of the patient. In such cases the Divine Power is uniformly successful in curing their ailments.

Faith is a grand quality of the soul, and the Divine Healer has the greatest faith; his Divine Power makes him strong in faith. In healing many and various diseases his understanding is increased, and faith increases with understanding. Faith with understanding is one step higher than faith alone.

In this connection I desire to quote from a recent sermon by the Rev. George H. Hepworth, whom I consider a great soul — a spiritual giant. Among other things he says: —

"When we look out on this strange but beautiful world, in which our tents are pitched for a day and a night, we see, first, a manifestation of power which is inexorable and irresistible, and, second, a tendency on the part of everything to go in a straight line toward some definite end. Things seem to know why they exist, and they keep themselves busy in the accomplishment of their destiny.

"I sometimes think of the universe as a countless multitude of profound thoughts which I cannot quite grasp or understand.

"Every tree, cloud, mountain, and valley appeals to me as a conscious entity, like the several members of an orchestra watching the baton of the leader and helping to produce 'the music of the spheres.' There is boundless and joyous life everywhere, and everywhere distinct and well defined plan, as when some vast structure is being builded, and the multitude of workmen, apparently in confusion, but really in perfect order, are slowly giving material shape to the dream of the architect.

"The tiniest seed produces only the plant whose name is written in invisible characters on its heart, and is happy in its task. The rose bush sends its roots into the sympathetic soil, makes demand for those chemical elements out of which only a rose can be constructed, and such is the harmony between bush and soil that no other ingredients except those asked for are ever supplied.

"If it were possible for a handful of wheat to produce a crop of thistles we should regard creation as an experiment whose Manager was not quite sure of Himself and the issue of which was somewhat in doubt. But it is clear that boundless power is operating in accord with boundless wisdom, and the general outcome shows that behind the wisdom and the power is the intention to make a happy universe. There is no chance anywhere, any more than in a manufactory where each machine does its individual part of the work by which the raw material is changed into a commercial fabric. Seeming confusion is simply misunderstood order, and apparent evil is evolving ultimate and infinite good.

"Now, what is the relation of man to this condition of affairs, and in what does his religion consist? That is the main point in which we are interested, because the comfort and usefulness of life depend upon our interpretation.

"Religion must be the result of knowledge, and it must be based on the eternal and unchangeable facts which make up our environment. Religion is another word for science in its highest and broadest definition, and it must be of such a nature that no man's mind can brush aside its demands; that every one can see that it is reasonable, that it is imperative, and that without it we cannot reach the highest spiritual elevation of which the soul is capable.

"If the universe is a great reservoir of ever-active power used by wisdom, and if there is a plan which is being worked out, then we can never be at peace until we are willingly a part of that plan and are doing our share toward its completion. To be in harmony with eternal laws, to see the end from the beginning, and to keep it in sight throughout the journey, as the mariner keeps his eye on the compass in storm and calm, that is to be at one with God and to have all the omnipotence of the Almighty at command. There was no limit to the power of Christ, because he could draw from this reservoir as we draw electricity from the clouds, or water from the ocean. He and the Father were one, and since He prayed that we might be one with Him there is no reason why a command over the forces of nature should not be ours as well as his.

"This may seem to be a strange truth, but it is truth nevertheless. I cannot see why my eternal Father's child should rely solely on his own narrow resources in the struggle of life. It is not so in our homes here, and why, therefore, should you limit me as a member of the heavenly family? While my earthly father lived I felt that his power could be added to mine at any time. My every difficulty was his concern, and I could not only rely on his superior wisdom for advice, but on his superior strength to help me to overcome troubles.

"God will come to our rescue, provided we do not shut Him out, and religion consists in keeping the door open between Him and ourselves. All Heaven belongs to us—God, Christ, and the angels. If we are in harmony with the universe, if the eternal laws are our laws, we not only have a religion which will stand the test of sickness, sorrow, and death, but one which will brighten every experience, lighten every burden, make us healthy in body because we are healthy in mind, and render the great change which we now dread so much a welcome transit to a world in which we shall be greeted by those whom we have perhaps mourned as lost."

The Divine Power not only permanently heals the body, but it also makes us realize man's true relation to the All Father and the universe. The very highest attainment of man is this realization of oneness with God and His universe, or, more properly speaking, our universe. God wishes us to feel that we are all alike sharers in the beautiful life which

pervades the universe. We must live in accordance with that profound philosophy which teaches unity, then we will have both faith and Divine Power to the highest degree. We are all parts of a great Whole. Humanity is one. To realize this we must live good and pure lives, and ever pour out great love to all of our fellow-beings. Loving thought for all is only another term for Divine Power. We must live and let live — live for others. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Divine Power comes to him who knows, realizes, and lives in the thought of the highest, purest, and holiest of love. "A son of God is one who loves all in the universe; who heals and cures; who breaks the chains of captives, opens prison doors, and proclaims freedom." By pure, unselfish love we heal and are healed.

The more and stronger I love all of my fellow-beings the stronger is the Divine Power within me. This is the underlying principle of my wonderful success in healing and curing disease. I was born with the gift of Divine Power, but by becoming a great lover of everything in the universe, my power for good was increased a thousand-fold. Many there are who are born with this great gift who are unconscious of it and need some one to awaken them to a realization or consciousness of their great and wonderful power to help humanity. My highest aspiration is to help some of these people to become true Divine Healers, as many are needed in all parts of the world.

God is Spirit, and not *a* spirit, and is the only power in the universe — the Divine Power. Spirit is the All in All; it is the builder, the constructor, the originator, and the restorer. Without Spirit there would not be Life. God's Power is the only healing force in the universe.

Some people say that God has given man remedies or means to heal and cure disease; and that somewhere, if we could only discover their efficacy and the intricate combination necessary, there is a sure and positive remedy or specific for every known disease, and that it is the purpose of God or the Divine plan for man to use his brains and discover these remedies or secrets. In reply to this line of argument or logic a great thinker once replied: "Is God playing hide-and-seek all the time with His good gifts? — placing his remedies in the most mysterious and out of the way places, and ages upon ages must go by before man can ferret them out?"

Materia medica is hourly failing to give health or life, and its methods are constantly changing. Physicians agree to disagree, and the physicians of to-day scoff and ridicule the physicians of the past. They are continually making new and wonderful discoveries of new remedies and new methods, which promise well but are soon discarded. "If God has put on the earth remedies for every known disease, then the remedy, when once discovered, should be prized as a jewel of great price, and when the same disease is manifest in several persons, then the same remedy should be used in every case." The only physician is the ancient and eternal One, and the only power to heal and cure disease is the Divine Power. The sick and suffering are beginning to realize this truth, and are abandoning man's way and trying God's way with such success that I predict within only a few years Divine Healing will in a large measure supplant all other methods of healing and curing diseases. Both faith and Divine Power are cleaning the atmosphere of unbelief, and the dawn of a brighter day is at hand.

Man is daily placing more trust in the Infinite — the all-pervading God Power of this universe. "For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

"God is Spirit, and He created us in His own image and likeness, and called us children; therefore we are spirit and recipients of the One Life. It is only when we live in Spirit or in God that we can become free, as Christ teaches 'The Truth shall make you free.'"

We are all embodiments of Infinite Life, Infinite Truth, Infinite Love, and Infinite Intelligence, and at some time we must become what God, the Blessed One, our All-Father, intended us, — "perfect even as our Father in Heaven is perfect."

Divine Power awakens the soul to its real greatness and thus enables it to make a great and perfect body in which it can reside. It heals and cures the body, making it a holy temple, in which we can have our being without pain or disease.

The Divine Healer has faith with understanding and knowledge, hence his great power to heal diseases of any and all kinds. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." It is

in the realization of the absoluteness of the Real—of the Spirit—and the ephemeral nature of the Unreal that enables the Divine Healer to do his work. That is the reason why the Divine Healer cures many cases of disease which the most learned and eminent physicians pronounce “hopeless” or “incurable.” There are no “hopeless” nor “incurable” diseases.

Faith and Divine Power come to him who knows himself. “For many years man has been studying the mineral, vegetable, and animal kingdoms; but in all his investigations he has overlooked what is greater than all else—man himself. The most important pursuit in all this world is the study of man. It will repay the diligent student far more than any other line of research. ‘Know thyself,’ said a wise man in ancient times; and he might have added, ‘You will know all other people you will know all else, because in this human being—in this soul of ours—is contained everything to be found in the outer world.’” We find by studying man that he is an eternal living soul which is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. That soul is at one with God when its mind, which is its chief instrument, realizes the soul’s oneness with God the Ruler of all things. God and man—the inner or real man—are not separate but are one. With this realization man gets Divine Power, Divine Wisdom, and a faith in himself which makes him all-mighty, all-powerful, and a worker of grand and good things. Man, by not understanding his nearness or oneness with God, little dreams of his great powers and possibilities. The Divine Healer knows that there is one great life principle, which is in all, through all, and above all; this principle is *all* life, *all* energy, and *all* force. This is “the power that makes for righteousness,” and is the “infinite and eternal Energy” of the scientists. Every soul is a part of it; it is “God working within us to will and to do.” Our bodies are merely manifestations of this eternal force or Divine Power. Hence, with the Divine Healer, who knows this force—how to use it and control it—he can form his own body and that of others; he is a master of all diseases. We have the power to make our bodies what we will, if our will be in accord with the Divine Will. The Divine Power is the power of God within us. There is no other power. Look where you will with the Spiritual Eye and you can discern no other power or force. “God is in the mineral, the vegetable, and

the animal kingdoms, and is found in the highest degree of manifestation in man."

Many men and women are gifted with Divine Power to a marked degree, but do not realize it; they could become great Divine Healers with but little preparation. I am in hopes to help a number of these people to become Divine Healers, as the world greatly needs their services in bringing health and strength to humanity. The following chapter will give a clear idea of how Divine Power can be developed in those who have the gift.

CHAPTER V.

HOW DIVINE POWER IS DEVELOPED.

"We all need healing. No man who does not yet love the Truth with his whole being — who does not love God with all his heart and soul and strength and mind, and his neighbor as himself — is in his sound mind, or can act as a rational being, save more or less approximately."— *George Macdonald*.

DIVINE Power is a gift from God. Many men and women possess this gift, but do not realize it, or are not conscious of it. To be brought into a realization or consciousness of the Divine Power within us, we must be awakened or instructed by one who has experienced this power, or, in other words, be led and guided by a recognized Divine Healer. While I was singularly fortunate in being born with the gift of Divine Power to a great degree, yet by developing my higher nature in a systematic and orderly way, I have wonderfully increased the power, so that healing and curing any and all diseases is easy and natural with me. Furthermore, within the past few years I have discovered that I can help and instruct others in the use of this wonderful power, so that they can use it as I do, in healing and curing suffering humanity. Of course, I am exceedingly careful in the selection of those whom I develop along this line, and under no circumstances will I advise anyone to become a Divine Healer unless I am positively convinced that they were born with the gift and have qualities that will enable them to become highly successful as Divine Healers.

All men are specially gifted by God for special lines of work, and all who recognize what that special gift is, and then persistently, patiently, and perseveringly strive to cultivate or develop that gift, make of their lives a grand success. We see all about us many failures, in men and women, who are working at callings for which God never intended them. Many a cobbler who, with hard work and struggle at the cobbler's bench, merely ekes out an existence and produces only "fair" work, has been

endowed by God with a gift for higher work; a gift which, if developed, would have made him a successful merchant, lawyer, or preacher. On the other hand, many a poor merchant, poor lawyer, or poor preacher would have been a greater success as a cobbler, had they but understood God and what He intended them to do in this grand and beautiful world. So we see, if we use but a little of that rarest and most uncommon thing in the world, called "common sense," that the wise will first determine what are their natural or God-given gifts, and then strenuously strive to develop and unfold them for the best good of all, and certainly for their own best good.

Much of the unhappiness and discord in this world is caused by men and women not knowing themselves and adjusting themselves as God intended they should do. Each being in the universe is of equal greatness. The king on the throne is great; so also is the scavenger in the street great; the king could not do the scavenger's work, nor the scavenger fill the king's place. We must first thoroughly understand our tendencies, good or bad, our weak and strong points, and then adjust ourselves accordingly. This is the true secret of a true and successful life.

It would be foolish, unwise, cruel, and criminal for anyone to pose as a Divine Healer, or attempt to become one, who was not favored by God with the gift of Divine Power. Many persons apply to me to be "taught" Divine Healing, and they are surprised when I tell them it is not teachable; that they must have the gift; that I can then, and only then, help them by a course of instructions, either personally or by mail, to develop and unfold the power within them. To be a true, honest, and conscientious Divine Healer involves a certain spiritual consciousness or state upon the part of the aspiring healer. As Divine Power is of the soul, and not of the mind, education or high intellectual attainments play no part in making one a Divine Healer. Some of the greatest and most powerful Divine Healers the world has had—in all ages—were men and women who would be classed as ignorant or illiterate. Indeed, I have known men who could scarcely write their own names, and who could not read, who had wonderful Divine Power, and would astound eminent doctors of the highest learning and intellectuality by the wonderful cures of disease they would make.

Often patients come to me to be cured, and after curing them I would discover that they are gifted with Divine Power to a great degree. Some of these patients are now developing the Power under my special guidance and will become great Divine Healers. It is an easy matter for me to determine whether or not one is gifted with this Power, either through a personal interview or by mail correspondence. A few simple questions honestly answered soon determine whether I will help them to become Divine Healers, or advise them to seek another calling.

The healing and curing of the sick by Divine Power is man's greatest and noblest work; it is a sacred and Divine calling. While there is a great and growing demand for Divine Healers, and I am enthusiastically anxious to help men and women develop the Power, I am ever careful and cautious in advising anyone to become a Divine Healer. The whole world is so anxious for Divine Healing, being tired of drugs, medicines, and doctoring, that it will readily pour out money even to bogus or fraudulent persons who may claim to be Divine Healers. Thousands of dollars are being made yearly by charlatans and pretenders who claim to be Divine Healers, Spiritual Healers, Mental Healers, Magnetic Healers, Mind Curists, Hypnotists, etc. While I am free to admit that I do a large and lucrative business as a Divine Healer, I have ever taken a bold and aggressive stand against those who pretend or who go into Divine Healing for money alone. It is, as a matter of fact, easier to make a great sum of money at any calling, and do the work honestly and conscientiously, than it is to do it dishonestly.

Of course, the money reward for healing and curing by Divine Power is very large; yet the true Divine Healer is generous to a fault and gives away to the deserving poor and charities great fortunes. Unless one is perfectly unselfish and willing to help the poor and suffering, he cannot become a truly successful Divine Healer. There is scarcely a limit to the thousands of dollars that come to a true Divine Healer; but he must at the very start have a desire to give away at least one half of his income to help suffering humanity, do a lot of free healing, and also expend much money in helping spread the truth and doctrine about Divine Healing and Divine Power. Many books, papers, tracts, and leaflets will be published during the next few years on Divine Healing, and each healer must

be willing to spend a part of his income in circulating broadcast the grand truths about Divine Healing.

There is a tremendous demand for Divine Healers in every neighborhood. At the present time you could name all of the really good Divine Healers in the whole world on the fingers of one hand. Disease is prevalent everywhere. Divine Healing is the only permanent cure for any or all diseases. The world is beginning to realize this truth, and sick people are now trying God's way and are being permanently cured of the diseases in many instances pronounced by eminent physicians and famous specialists as "hopeless" or "incurable."

The real Divine Healer will ever command the respect and admiration of his fellow-beings, because his work is noble and beneficent. As to his material rewards, they will be ample and enable him to do charitable works of great magnitude. God intends that every honest worker in the universe, no matter what his calling is, shall be well rewarded in the way of material things; but He does not intend that man should be mercenary, sordid, avaricious or greedy. To him who loves his fellow-beings, and who freely helps the poor and suffering, shall be given health, power, happiness, and prosperity. The Divine Power can only be developed to its highest degree in that person who will cheerfully help the sick, the sorrowful, and the distressed. If any of my readers feel that they are gifted with this Power of God to heal disease, it will afford me great pleasure to correspond with them on the subject, and to help them all I can to develop the Divine Power within them to its highest degree.

Ever remember that Divine Healing is of God and the soul; that it is the use of the Spiritual or Life Force of the universe, and does not come from the mind at all. Mental Healing, Magnetic Healing, Hypnotism and the many "isms" being advertised so extensively for healing and curing diseases are no more like Divine Power than night is like day. Divine Healers understand, use, and direct the only one great power of the universe in their treatment of disease. This was the Power that our Master and Saviour used in His blessed work of healing. As a matter of fact, so-called Faith Curists, Mental Healers, Magnetic Healers and Hypnotists, work with the mind on the mind, and delude both themselves and their patients into false and very dangerous beliefs, which sooner or later react with

tremendous force, often causing nervous prostration and insanity. For instance, many of these deluded healers are honest and really believe in themselves and their methods; they are fanatics of the worst type, and make all sorts of false, silly, and nonsensical declarations and affirmations. Most of them declare that matter is a delusion; that there is no disease. If no disease, why take the money of poor sufferers for treatments? Why treat that which does not exist? They live a life of falsehood and suggest falsehood to others. Many of them are rotten with disease yet say they are whole and sound. About all of these healers are either arrant knaves or fools. God or the Divine Power cannot manifest itself in such beings.

Many magnetic and mental healers who are honest are beginning to realize their true position, and those who do not abandon their art — they call it an “art” — entirely give it up and prepare themselves for Divine Healing, the only true healing in the universe. Most of the honest souls who are engaged in mental healing, metaphysics, magnetic healing, and hypnotic suggestion really possess the gift of Divine Power and don't know it. This very gift makes one anxious to become a healer, and in looking about to satisfy this longing they stumble into the *mental* atmosphere and study the processes of the *mind*, and in ignorance mistake the *mental* force for the *Divine* Power. I believe that there are thousands of so-called Christian Scientists, mental scientists, mental healers, magnetic healers, faith curists, hypnotists, etc., who with a very little instruction can become very great and wonderful Divine Healers. These people as a whole are honest, sincere searchers after the Truth; but by relying too much or exclusively on the mind have dwarfed or warped the spiritual side of their beings. The soul is king, of which the mind is subject; the mind is merely the instrument of the soul, and with many souls a very poor instrument, as the mind is more or less deluded all the time. The mind can be tricked and fooled and deluded constantly. How often we see great intellectual giants who with their minds can do great works; but their works sink into insignificance when compared with the works of a great God-man — a Divine man.

Therefore, as I have repeatedly said, a man or woman may have little or no education, be ignorant and illiterate, yet have tremendous Divine Power and work wonders, especially in healing and curing diseases. Yet I claim

Divine Healing is the only scientific method of healing there is, because it is done by God, who is *omniscient*.

Persons who are born with the gift of Divine Power are often restless and dissatisfied with their occupations; they have an intuitive feeling that they can do greater and better things than they are doing, and always have a strong desire to do good in the world. This is the soul's awakening to its greatness — the soul's love for all mankind. It is far better to listen to the voice of the soul than to heed the dictates of the mind. Intuition is the voice of the soul; it has nothing whatever to do with the mind. It is God whispering to us, and as He is no respecter of persons He often whispers to the meekest and lowliest of His children. If any of my readers feel that they are gifted with Divine Power I will be pleased to have them write me a letter giving all of their reasons for thinking that they can heal or cure disease. I can readily see whether they really have the gift or not, and will be pleased to help them develop the power, if they possess it.

Always remember, Divine Healing is a gift from God and is not an "art" or a "profession." There is no quackery, charlatanism, humbuggery or mystery about it; neither is it a "serious study for ambitious men and women." Whenever you see alleged "doctors," "universities" and "colleges" advertising extensively to teach the noble "profession" or "art" of healing, you can be assured beyond a single doubt that there is nothing Divine or God-like about their methods; that they have not the faintest conception of disease or its cure, and do not know what Life is. These are harpies and sharks who feed upon the credulous — the poor and suffering; they are men who have not realized their true nature.

There is no lower, baser, or meaner man than the charlatan or quack who trades on the sufferer from disease, who is often poor and can ill afford to spend money for worthless remedies or false treatments; it is cruel and criminal to delude these poor souls with false hope and rob them of their money. These false healers, if they only realized their higher and better natures, would stop their nefarious work. I bear these misguided men neither hatred nor malice; my attitude towards them is that of pity, and they have my prayers that God may touch their hearts and bring them to a full realization of their duty to their fellow-beings.

I am writing this book in the spirit of fairness and truth, and with no

desire to unfairly criticise or judge the actions of my fellow-men, who are all God's children ; my idea is to spread broadcast the blessed truths about Divine Power and Divine Healing. I am sure the reader will pardon my slight allusion to those of my brothers who are not dealing honestly and fairly with sufferers from disease.

In concluding this chapter I desire to state that it will be pleasing to me, at any time, to correspond with anyone who feels that the gift of Divine Power is theirs, yet is sleeping or lying dormant within them. I can awaken the power within anyone who is gifted with it, and in a simple and comprehensive way help them to become Divine Healers. Certainly there is a great and growing demand for such healers in every section of the civilized world. In writing me give a plain and full statement about yourself ; your ideas about God and religion ; your age, sex, and above all whether you would be willing to treat the poor without pay, and be willing to give away a percentage of your large earnings as a Divine Healer to the poor, and also in helping to spread the truths about Divine Healing.

CHAPTER VI.

SOUL, MIND, AND BODY.

"Were we to traverse the whole realm of Nature, nowhere would we find a more beautiful manifestation of God than we find in man—in soul and mind and body."

THE soul is the real man—the inner man; the mind is the instrument of the soul; and the two, soul and mind, construct or build the body or holy temple in which the soul resides.

The Divine Healer is one who by the Divine Gift of Power, thought, prayer, meditation, and exemplary living, comes to realize the universal soul—the universal Spirit—the one power, the one force in the universe. He knows that he is a soul with a body, and not a body with a soul. Indeed, the dominant power of a divine man is this realization that he is an eternal soul, at one with the very God of the universe; that his body is merely a temporary vehicle in which he rides, and that the mind is the instrument which he partly uses to mould, form, or build his body; that the soul is the real power, the real life and the real spirit which animates both his body and mind. Moreover, he realizes that all beings are eternal souls like himself—all children of the All-Father.

Many people who do not realize this truth suffer much pain and misery from disease, fear, and doubt. These are persons who reverse the true order of being and place body first, mind second, and soul last. Even many do not consider the soul at all, and are in doubt of its very existence; or, again, others who have great intellectuality place the mind on the throne and make everything else secondary to it. The mind truly is a wonderful instrument. With the mind we can examine the mind; we even change our ways of thinking with the very instrument with which we think.

The Divine Healer realizes that God or Divine Power is first; that the individual soul is, of, or at one with God, and is the second thing to be considered and realized; that mind is the soul's instrument, and is the third

thing to be considered, while the body, which is the gross or material manifestation of God, the soul, and mind, is the fourth and last thing to be considered. Yet all are important, especially to the soulful or Divine Man. But man never has or never will realize his greatness, his strength, or his great power — the Divine Power — until he does really know himself; until he does once and for all time realize that he is an eternal soul, at one with the great and Eternal God of the universe.

Man is truly the king of all creation, and to exactly the extent he can realize that fact or truth, to that extent he will be great and powerful. As a man thinks, feels, or realizes, so he will be. As long as he thinks he is a worm of the dust, so long will he be a worm and nothing higher; so long as he believes he is a body, so long will he suffer the pains of the body — disease, fear, doubt, anxiety, worry, and that sort of thing. He sees the body is not permanent; he sees it wearing out with age, disease, worry, fear, and doubt, and at last dying; and of course as long as he believes he is that body he is bound to suffer. But right here let me drop a word or so, which may give you some light. We say, "HE" sees "HIS" body wearing out. Men who don't believe in God or the soul will say *my* mind, *my* body. Now, what is that HE which sees, or that MY which he uses to qualify his body? This is the language of the soul. "He" or "my" is the soul speaking of *its* body or mind. These very expressions prove that man is an eternal soul.

The great problem of life is to get men to realize that they are eternal souls; they are all the time getting the real self mixed up with body and mind, and identifying themselves with these two changeable and perishable, or rather decomposing, things.

It is proof conclusive that the mind and body are subservient, or secondary, to the soul, because at all times in the history of the world we find Divine men with wonderful powers who had small mentality or mind power. But these men were wonderful giants in spirituality. I am referring to great prophets, seers, sages, Divine Healers, and philosophers. These Great Souls always make a strong and lasting impress on the world, both by their teachings and their works.

The Divine Healer sees how important it is to awaken the Divine or Spiritual Power in man so as to bring him health, strength, and happiness.

He directs the Divine Power to the very soul, no matter how far distant the sufferer may be, and thus awakens the slumbering or dormant body of that soul which is sick and causes it to vibrate with health or with the Eternal Life Force or Divine Power. The body is sick or diseased because it lacks Divine Power. There cannot be sickness nor disease where the Divine Power is at work.

As I said above, the soul is the life or animator of the body and is eternal, and is the real or inner man. While Divine Power or Divine Healing is not a mental operation at all, but is from God and the soul alone, yet the Divine Healer understands and knows what an important instrument of the soul the mind is, and I do not wish to infer in my writings that the mind is to be neglected; I do desire to impress the reader with the truth that the soul is the real man and that it uses the mind as an instrument to clear away the illusions and the veils of darkness which lumber the mind and cloud the soul. When this is done we find that we are all co-workers with God, the Blessed One, or All-Father; that we have a power and a force that we little dreamed of having. The soul is using, consciously or unconsciously, both the mind and the body to do the Father's work. In Divine Healing the work is being done consciously and with Divine Intelligence as well as Divine Force. The mental healer or metaphysician works from and with the mind, and his method is to make mind the master. The Divine Healer goes higher and is working with God or the Divine Power — the source of ALL. He realizes God. He is at one with God. He knows that God is the ALL in ALL. Without God there could be no Life, no force, no power, no material bodies, and no mind. The Spiritual or Divine Healer is using the only REAL POWER in the universe, — the very power which makes the universe.

Man is a spiritual being, and as such has dominion over his physical or gross body. "The thought of man's mind is the bridge or tie that binds him to the God within." Divine Power, when rightly directed, enables man to assert his pre-eminence in the realm of created things and to realize, "I and my Father are one."

To those who do not realize that they are eternal souls I would say that sometime and somewhere they will know and feel this Truth. The road to such realization is through goodness. In this connection I would suggest

that the mind should think about God and goodness. It is the absolute truth that "the *good* man, whose thoughts are permeated with loving-kindness to his fellow-man, is happiest within himself, is on the best terms with himself and his fellows, goes through life with the least friction, is able to do most good to others, and is most able to shed a radiance of loving-kindness about him — and so fulfil his mission on earth in the development of that part of him that will be happy here and in bliss after his body 'dies.' To those who are careless, who are immersed in the pleasures of this life, who regard money-getting as the chief aim, and whose thoughts have been allowed to traverse only the flesh plane, with all its allurements, I would say: Sit quietly alone and examine yourself by the aid of this great, God-given power of self-analysis, and ask if you are living up to your highest ideal, if you are entirely satisfied with yourself, and if you are happy within." When we thus commune with ourselves — the soul — we are talking with God, and if we are honest and sincere the Blessed One will give us correct answers and guide and direct us in the right path, which is the path to the realization of our true greatness and our oneness with the very God of the universe.

Man's restlessness and desire for greater and better things is proof conclusive that he is an eternal soul. No man ever reaches true and perfect happiness until he does realize that he is an eternal soul. There can be no lasting peace, or lasting joy, or lasting calm and tranquillity until he realizes that he is more than flesh and bones and mind. Disease, weakness, worry, anxiety, doubt, fear, apprehension, is caused by our thinking we are separate and apart from God. The sun never shone upon a weak and sickly plant that did not receive the life-giving power that enables vegetation to grow strong and healthy; and so with the Power of God which never fails to work good in man who loves the good — who loves the Blessed One. The Divine Power is All-Powerful.

Most men require the assistance of a Divine Healer because he can do for them what they cannot do for themselves — he can direct to the soul divine power and force and start a continuous and permanent flow of Divine Power, which will make the body clean, pure, whole, sound, — make it thrill with joy, peace, and happiness. This is perfect and permanent health and not disease. The only way to health is through Divine Power.

Divine Power, as directed by God, through the Divine Healer, heals and cures both mind and body, and brings the real man—the soul or inner man—to realize its true relation or oneness with God. Then the sufferer from disease ceases for all time to suffer; he sees and feels the hand of God guiding and directing every fibre of his being and bathing his soul with Eternal Love and Eternal Life. When thus touched and awakened—healed and cured—by Divine Power, the soul freed from bodily suffering—disease—sees the wisdom and feels the love of God and understands clearly why He made man a free moral agent—his own mentor, his own adviser, his own judge, and his own advocate.

A wise and good man once said: "When we can so regard the influence of thought as to see its lasting influence and our ability and responsibility in choosing the kind of thoughts we allow to pass through our minds, we will be careful not to entertain an angry or vicious thought, regarding always the influence rather than the thought itself, because the effect upon ourselves is the same whether the subject be a person or a thing. The low and mean thought degrades and drags down, while the high thought of love tends to elevate, giving us a better hold upon our moral nature and enabling us to establish ourselves in the good."

By first giving attention to the Spiritual or Divine side of our nature, we become moral and virtuous. Then, and not until then, does the mind become a potential and wonderful instrument of the soul. It is then that the soul begins to realize its wonderful power—its Divine Power. With this power it renews or reconstructs its body, making it clean, pure, whole, and sound and absolutely free from disease. Not only that, but it has power to work the same results in other bodies; in other words, one becomes a true and powerful Divine Healer.

I fully instruct those who are gifted with Divine Power how to develop the same to the highest degree, in a simple and comprehensive course of instructions, either personally or by mail, and all of my instructions are along lines as partly indicated in this book. It would be impossible, in a work of this size and character, to outline in detail for each particular case just how one can become a powerful Divine Healer. Each individual, from his spiritual, mental, and physical make-up, requires varying and special instructions,—some more, some less. For that reason I require an aspir-

ing Divine Healer to write me fully about himself before I will attempt to help develop the Divine Power within him. As I have said before, there is a great and growing need for Divine Healers everywhere, and I am desirous of developing as many healers as my busy life will permit. I have no time to waste on persons who are not gifted by God with this wonderful power. It is an easy matter for me to determine whether one has this gift or not, by the exchange of a few letters.

Right here I desire to repeat what I have said before, that scholastic learning or great intellectuality have nothing whatever to do with Divine Healing. This is a soul or God Power; it comes from the soul — it is not of the mind — it is from God, the Blessed One. To become a Divine Healer one must have love in his soul and heart; he must have a desire to do good and great things; he must feel that he would like to heal and cure the suffering; he must have sympathy and compassion for all who suffer.

The greatest man in the world is the Divine man; the soul who can relieve the suffering of his fellow-beings is indeed a benefactor to mankind. A true Divine Healer is a far greater help to humanity than the greatest intellectual giant that ever lived. Men of great mental strength come and go and are soon forgotten, while the Divine men, such as masters, philosophers, seers, sages, poets, and great preachers, live on for ages, aye, forever. Understand, I am not underestimating mentality or intellectuality, I am merely trying to make it clear that Spirituality is the great and lasting power of the universe; that it is the greatest force known; that it is often manifested in its highest degree in the most lowly and unlearned. Our blessed Master was the greatest Divine Healer we have any record of, and I am quite sure his great strength and power lay more in the soul and heart than in the head. He was a Great Soul at One with God, — the very Soul of the universe, and hence his Divine power.

“The sun of Divine Wisdom in man is representing the collective knowledge that man has gathered from his experiences, having as a basis his own divine self-consciousness. Without that self-consciousness in God all his intellectual acquisitions are merely vapory, and will pass away.”

The mind and body can serve the soul, and are the soul's subjects, and to that extent are good and great. But the soul — the real man — is Eternal and can live on forever without either mind or body in a blessed state

of perfect bliss. Again, the soul can be in a perfect state of bliss with the mind and the body when it dominates or rules these two servants. This is illustrated in our everyday life between man and servant, employer and employe. No servant or employe will either respect or serve well a master or employer who does not rule with a firm yet honest hand. The soul is the master, and the mind and body are its servants; it must rule and dominate these servants in a firm, honest, and true way, or else there will be discord, disease, woe, misery, and unhappiness.

The mind is often an unruly servant — a crazy, deluded servant — not well ordered, — and for a while it does not obey the small still voice of the soul. When the mind and body are masters, and the mind deludes itself with the thought that it and the body are the real man, there cannot be a whole or perfect body, and there must be disease and untold suffering. For example, the mind will delude itself with the thought that enormous wealth or great fame are absolutely necessary to its happiness, and will direct its whole time and energy to that one achievement in spite of the wee small voice of the soul admonishing its crazy actions; or, again, the mind thinks tobacco, whiskey, morphine, or other deadly drugs and poisons are good for it and the body; the wee small voice of the soul says "No!" the mind pays no attention to the warning and acts with a free will — and suffers intense pain and agony for its disobedience. But the mind is only master temporarily. It either gives up to the soul and becomes its servant or instrument, or it is shattered by disease or death. In time the soul conquers. Sometime and somewhere it frees itself of an unruly mind, or rather reconstructs or builds a new mind. We must strengthen the body and mind by continually striving to realize the greatness and goodness of God, and understand that He the Blessed One is ever striving to help the soul to cleanse, purify, and strengthen both the mind and the body.

The Divine Healer through Divine Knowledge and wisdom understands and knows the true relation of soul, mind, and body, and with the Divine Power he can adjust this Holy Trinity — soul, mind, and body — so that it will make a whole and harmonious being, free from all disease and all misery. The mind becomes absolutely pure, or of the nature of the master, the soul, and is strong and healthy; and the body becomes pure, whole, sound, and perfect, through the action of the soul on it, — the action of

Divine Power. The Divine Healer thus works on his own mind and body, or the minds and bodies of others near him or at any distance. The quickest and best results in healing and curing are obtained when there is an understanding between the patient and healer, although this is not absolutely necessary, as I have cured many cases of dangerous and complicated diseases — many of long standing — where the sufferer had no knowledge whatever that I was treating him. Often persons have someone who is near and dear to them who are diseased, yet have no faith whatever in the power of Divine Healing; they have me treat these sick ones, without their knowledge, and a permanent cure is effected. Such is the power of Divine Healing.

I trust my readers will find in this chapter a clear idea of how the soul, mind, and body constitute that greatest of beings called man; that they will realize that they are eternal souls temporarily occupying a body and using the mind as an instrument. The goal of every being is to realize this truth. This is the truth that, once realized, makes man and the Father one. When we become at one with God, the Blessed One, we reach eternal bliss, joy, peace, and happiness; we are at once and for all time freed from the bondage of disease, and so-called sin and wickedness, and become a great power for Good.

CHAPTER VII.

DISEASE, HEALTH, AND LONGEVITY.

"Health is natural. The natural is that which is in harmony with orderly law. All law is beneficent, therefore the degree of harmony in anything is the test of its naturalness. God is the author of nature, and natural law is divine method."—*Henry Wood.*

THE wise man ever gives special attention to all questions bearing upon individual happiness, harmony, and health. It is impossible to understand the law of health until we also fully comprehend the cause of disease. Both disease and health are the effect of a cause. Look where we may, in the dim or most remote past, or in the present, and all around us at every hand we see nothing but cause and effect. If we are diseased there is surely a cause for that state or condition; if we are in perfect health there is just as surely a cause or a reason for that state. Everything in the universe is ordered or regulated by law — by Divine Law. Nothing ever happens by chance. God does not work that way. With God there is no blind or chance work. God is in His universe, and the universe is in perfect order. There is a cause and a reason for everything that we see, and everything that happens. To know this truth is of vital importance to every human being; indeed, it is a lack of this knowledge that keeps man in darkness, pain, disease, woe, misery, and unhappiness.

Life is a journey during which man profits much; it can be a journey of joy and bliss or a journey of sadness. In either case man profits much, as sooner or later he acquires true knowledge of cause and effect, and such knowledge brings him nearer to God his Father, the cause of ALL. It is a lack of man's power to fathom cause and effect; or, rather, to comprehend that behind everything seen is a cause, that keeps out of his being great joy and intense and lasting happiness. "Let us remember that the lack of eyes to see and hearts to feel is all that stands between us and the loftiest visions and the most ecstatic bliss. What could the longed-for heavens

give us, if we were still blind to beauty and deaf to love?" How can one know the cause of disease or the cause of health until he knows absolutely the source of our being? How can one know how to either have perfect health or cure and heal disease until he knows the truth about being? Now this grand truth is so simple that a little child can comprehend it. It does not require a great intellectual or learned man to unfold this truth. Life as we see it in its manifold forms is the effect or manifestation of God in His universe. He, the Blessed One, is the All in All; He is the cause of All. There can be no manifestation of Life without God, the All Pervading One. "That which exists is one; sages call it variously."

Disease is caused by a lack of Divine Power, the only Life or vitalizing power there is. Health is the effect of a superabundance of Divine Force or Power ceaselessly flowing through our bodies and bathing the inner man, or real man—the Soul. In other words, if we would have health, perfect health, we must understand and realize we must look to the source of all Life for it; we must look and work within—to the ever-living God within—not without. Man is the individual manifestation of an all-intelligent God who dwells within. God is the beauty, Life and Love which is revealed in a wonderful world-order.

The Divine Healer realizes that there is but one force or power—one life—pervading ALL. "If we pause for a moment to consider the probable nature of the cause of life, it becomes clear that there is but One Absolute basis of all that exists." There is no other basis of life except God. Error, sin, and disease are despicable, and the cause back of them is really ignorance that we are spiritual beings; that we are God's children. Man suffers as the result of his own acts. Evil and pain leave man in proportion to the Divine Power he can command—the enlightenment within. Therefore, it is of vital importance that the sick and diseased should turn at once to Divine Power for relief; it is the only relief and the only cure for all of our ills. *Materia medica* does little or no good in healing or curing disease. No drug can create or make life; it can delude the mind for a time and give a false impression that it heals or cures. Neither can denying that disease exists, or affirming that we are well when we are sick, bring permanent relief. Such methods are false, and sooner or later cause much suffering. Deep within the soul is the true and great

power of God which can make us whole and sound, and it is only when we realize that truth that we begin to be cured of our sufferings from disease. The Love of God and a reliance on His tender Love and mercy will do more to make perfect health than all the poisons, drugs, medicines, and doctors in the world. "Love opens the way where the gates are barred to all else. And if that love which, approaching the afflicted in the right spirit, meets with a hearty response, a miracle is performed." It is love for God and all His beings which develops true manhood, true health, happiness, and freedom. Divine Healing not only cures diseases, but inculcates lofty moral and spiritual ideals. It is a soul power and acts on the soul, commencing at the very soul of Life. There cannot be pain or disease when the One Power — the One Force — is working within.

"God's Chancellors" are cause and effect. "Cause and effect have no mercy, but go right along, and it is best that we make our plans accordingly." God or God-force is the cause of all manifestations of life — of being, and if we strenuously strive to know and love God we will soon come into a higher state of consciousness which will enable us to control and direct this great life force — Divine Power — so that all disease will forever disappear. This is what the Divine Healer does; he brings the sufferer to a consciousness of life and the Life Force which at once and for all time dispels disease. "Seek first the Kingdom of God and all things else will be added," means much to the sick and diseased. Divine Healing is the directing of the One Eternal Life Force to the sufferer who lacks it. When Divine Healing is better understood, health, perfect and permanent health, will be the true state of man. It is the only simple truth cure for all disease, all woe, all grief, all sorrow, all doubt, and all fear. The time is here when man need no longer be sick or unhappy. God in man has worked out his salvation. We no longer will live in darkness, fear, and doubt; the Light of the Blessed One is shining everywhere; the love of a loving God is casting out all fear and all doubt. These are the bright days of the beginning of the Soul Age. Theology and Medicine are doomed; they are of the Dark Age. The Truth never changes; Divine Healing is the same to-day as it was in the day of the Master, Jesus. All systems of drugging and medicating and doctoring are continually changing; it is never two days alike. The doctors bled George Washington to death. It

was only a few years ago that bleeding the sick was the prevailing way of curing. What would we think of a physician who would practise that sort of nonsense to-day? This truth of Divine Healing has always existed, and it has made the most wonderful cures at different periods all through the history of mankind. It is only recently that it has been thoroughly understood and comprehended by the Divine Healer. With my voice, my pen, and my works I intend to place as clearly as I can the truths about Divine Healing in all parts of the world. Thank God for the printing press, which now enables the truth to be quickly and thoroughly scattered in all parts of the globe. Jesus said plainly that *any* man, without reference to time or age of the world, who would understand his doctrines should do his works. From now on there will be many Divine Healers because they are much needed. Many have this Divine gift, but do not know how to develop it. One aim of my life is to help these very persons to develop this power and become Divine Healers.

There is no limit to the good that will be done by Divine Healers in the near future. They will permanently stamp out disease and increase the length of life to far beyond the present average. Longevity will be so common that early death will be commented on. Instead of newspapers making a special item of persons who reach a hundred years of age we will see them commenting on "early deaths" — of beings who pass on and out at say seventy-five or eighty years of age. This is not an idle dream or vision in the air. There is no telling how long a man can live in the body after he once knows or realizes the great and true God of the universe, and his oneness with that God. Then see how joyful and happy life will be when it is entirely free from any physical or mental ache or pain. Health, absolute health, is the greatest thing man can possess. With health we can all get in the way of wealth that is necessary for our well being.

But let us see what else Divine Power will do for mankind. It will bring about the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God; it will make us kind, gentle, and loving beings; it will strip our minds of intolerance and bigotry; it will wipe out of existence the old theology with its ever wrathful and ever avenging God, who is ever sitting on a throne somewhere far away in the skies, with a rod in one hand and a reward in another. By making men strong and powerful all poverty and all drudgery will be

forever banished from this planet. The energy, time, and money lost through sickness is beyond all calculation. Think for one moment of the enormous amount of money lost to workmen by enforced idleness through disease. Everywhere on this planet progress is more or less retarded by disease. When Divine Healing takes the place of our present methods of treating disease this earth will be a veritable paradise, blooming with health, prosperity, and happiness.

The purpose of Divine Healing is to develop the Spiritual or Divine Force in man, placing the real man—the soul—in dominant control of the mind and body, and thus drawing to it Divine Power which revitalizes, restores, and rebuilds in accord with the ideal of perfect humanity.

We find in men and women who live on the animal and sensual planes of life but little spiritual force, and much disease, suffering, worry, unhappiness, and death. These are people who are much in need of Divine Healing. It is difficult indeed to get these sufferers to understand the unvarying law of cause and effect. They have a vague idea of the true meaning of life, and are very selfish, are ignorant of God's Law, — bigoted and intolerant. Some of these people profess to be very religious, but at heart they are hypocrites or fanatics. They worship a far-away God in a formal and perfunctory way, and honestly believe that those who do not believe in their God are forever damned; they are dogmatic and dictatorial. Such people are never really happy and usually suffer much from disease. Their whole being and life is burdened with fear and doubt because of their intolerance. There is little or no spirituality in such a person, and consequently low vitality and much sickness and unhappiness is their lot. These people rely solely on material aids for relief, and as long as they do so are bound to be sufferers. Divine Healing can do much for these poor sufferers, and slowly and gradually, yet surely, they will awaken to the grand truths about Divine Power and its great and lasting blessings.

The temple of the body must be cleansed and purified by the freshening presence of Divine Power before health can be established. We may try every known material remedy for our disease and yet fail to get well and sound. Health and Long Life is obtainable in but one way, and that is by God's way — by Divine Healing. In God's strength we can become well, strong, and beautiful, and in no other way. Wholeness is the natural

result of abiding in God. The laws of spiritual or Divine Healing are as exact as those of any known exact science.

Human vitality can be increased only from within — from the soul, and to expect health or wholeness from any but the Divine Source is futile. Man must learn to depend upon the Within rather than upon the Without. Divine Healing reverses the ordinary plan of dealing with disease; its treatments are for the soul and not the mind or body; it goes to the very source of being. Awaken the soul and rouse the soul power and there can be no disease. The Divine Power fills and thrills the whole being with health vibrations — with the very Life of the universe. It is the very breath of God gently yet forcibly sweeping through our bodies. The power of the soul over mind and body is the only healing power there is. The mind or mental cure, hypnotism, and magnetism are on a par with drugging and medication — possibly a step or degree higher. Jesus, the greatest Divine Healer known, did not use the mind in his wonderful cures. He was not a hypnotist nor magnetic healer. The Master and the Father were ONE, and the power Christ used was the power of God — the universal or Divine Power, without which there can be no manifestation of life. Man can never have perfect health until he lives at one with God, and the only way in which he can get firmly started on the road to absolute health is through Divine Healing. It is this boundless Divine Love or Power which is the vitalizing power of all beings, and which gives us life and health. The more soulful or spiritual one is, the more health, strength, and vigor there is.

So we see we must study cause and effect; the cause of our being will, when understood, enable us to know the cause of everything. Disease is the effect of a cause — the lack of Divine or Spiritual Force. Health is the effect of spirituality — of Divine Power. The more spiritual or soulful we are, the more vital force and power we will have. Health, strength, vigor, and a long and useful and happy life is dependent upon spirituality. Whenever you see a human being who is cheerful, joyous, and healthy, that being is near God, the Father, and is a spiritual being. Such a person may not belong to a church or subscribe to any creed, doctrine, or dogma, and may not be able to define or describe God; nevertheless he is full of the spirit of God and is near, very near, to our blessed Father. Or, if you see one who cheerfully and patiently endures disease, poverty, troubles, and

adversity without murmur or complaint — without whining or grumbling — that person is also near God and will soon be blessed with the All-Father's love. Great souls often go through much mental and physical suffering, coming out of it all a great victor and at one with God.

To free ourselves entirely from disease and to have perfect health, long life, and happiness, we must commence from within and work outward — work from the very centre of the soul. Silent, sincere prayer has cured more diseases than all the drugs and medicines have relieved. It is a duty we owe ourselves and all humanity to be healthy, strong, vigorous, whole, sound, clean, pure, and to live a long, useful, and happy life.

CHAPTER VIII.

THE LAW OF CHANGE.

"There would be an almost humorous side to our sophistry were we to affirm that things must never change. Yet we see about us every day scores of people who are clinging to their past notions and out-of-date ideas with fidelity worthy of a better cause. Change as we see it is Nature's first and mightiest weapon of progress. Law is universal, and the Author of a universal law must of needs be unchangeable, because change in God would imply a lack of supremacy." — *Alwyn M. Thurber*.

THE eternal change of things is progress or evolution. Everything is going onward, forward, and upward. The condition of things in the world to-day is all right, but would not have been suitable for yesterday nor will it answer the requirements of to-morrow. The wise or Divine man is a seer and a sage, who sees with the spiritual or God-eye, clearly, the past, the present, and the future. By honestly comparing the past with the present he sees countless evidence that the world is a beautiful world, ever changing for the better; that it grows better every minute, and has been doing so ever since this earth took on a spherical shape out of nebulæ. Yet, if he compares its present condition to what his prophetic eye can see in the future, it does not appear perfect by any means. The Divine man—the real prophet—sees eternal change ahead, because he has Divine Wisdom and understands the law of change.

God never changes. He is the same yesterday, to-day, and forever. The sum total of the universal power or energy of the universe is always the same. Matter being inert and without power, force, or intelligence is easily worked upon by spirit and consequently is eternally changing. The sum total of matter of the universe, like Spirit or Universal Power, is also always the same—no more, no less. Matter is eternally changing, but is never destroyed. It is the orderly working of the Spiritual or Divine Power in matter which makes this eternal and endless change. By Divine Knowledge and Wisdom a Divine being, who is at one with God, discovers

that there is perfect order and purpose in this constant change; that the law of change is made by the Great God at work in His universe; that God is the Author of this universal law of change, but that He is changeless. It is the manifestation of the law that makes change possible. "The order of succession is followed; atoms gather, then scatter; they gather again and again; new continents are born, new races appear, cycles of history come and go, and man, the actor and philosopher, is the only finite creature who is cognizant of these mighty innovations and able to comprehend that there is perfect order in it all. During the stone age the brute sense of man may have been the best that age afforded; to-day see how we have changed from that age—how we have progressed and expanded; to-day the best things that are filling the thought and moral atmosphere are just resplendent enough with spiritual radiance to promise us more—aye, to give us satisfying proof upon which we can predicate the existence of God."

There is really much of gladness and comfort in the thought that the old is eternally dropping away and that the new is being born in its stead. It is this continuous change—continuous growth and unfolding—which gives man hope and inspires him to do more and greater work. Moreover, this eternal change is surely bringing all men to a higher state of consciousness or nearer to the realization that they are not separated from God, the All-Father. We are hourly, consciously or unconsciously, giving up the old and taking on the new. At every hand we see man supplanting old thoughts and old ways for the new. See the wonderful change that has taken place within only a few years with respect to the healing and curing of diseases. Even the greatest materialists among physicians are greatly modifying their views about diseases and the treatment of same; among the best doctors intense drugging and medication is almost wholly abandoned. Some of the greatest physicians of the world, who are honest and love the truth, have taken a bold stand and openly declared that the treating of diseases by drugs and medicines at best is a mere experiment. Prof. Gregory, of the Edinburgh Medical College, said: "Ninety-nine out of every hundred facts are medical lies, and medical doctrines are, for the most part, stark, staring nonsense." This truth, coming from an eminent doctor, speaks volumes. Dr. Campbell Black, of Glasgow, one

of the most celebrated physicians of Scotland, in speaking of drugs and medicines, said: "Medicine is no more an exact science than is millinery." Franz Hartmann, M. D., declares, "Divine Wisdom in man does not speculate or draw logical conclusions, neither is it dependent for knowledge on communications received from anybody; but it is the power of the true living *faith*, that is, the power of the spirit of man to grasp spiritual truths existing within its own self." So we see that in this one field of human effort — healing and curing by drugs and medicines — there is constantly going on a tremendous change. Divine Healing never changes; it is the same way of healing and curing diseases that Jesus Christ used, and this truth alone proves conclusively that it is God's way of preserving life. All else changes; but God is steadfast.

What is true with respect to the change taking place in the methods of treating disease is equally true about change in everything else in the world, — in art, science, literature, religion, philosophy, trade, manufacture, and commerce there is continual change. Without change there is no growth. The God or Divine Force causes all this change, although it itself never changes. A Divine Man recognizes the divine order of change, and that he who is ready for, or will accept, Divine Power, gets a decided start of his slower neighbor who persistently clings to the old. The old way — the "good old times" — is always cherished by those who do not progress, expand, or grow. Thank God, there are men who do change, and their countenances beam with honesty within — with the delight of the inner man or soul — and they are just that much nearer God, the perfect One, the changeless One. It is only when we are at one with God that we reach perfection and eternal bliss and need not change. But at the present stage of this world's growth, eternal change of things is the order.

In this connection let me say a few words about consistency. A so-called consistent man I have never found to be a very great man. A great soul cannot be consistent, as mankind generally defines consistency. A growing man is not consistent according to the conventional idea of consistency. His soul and mind is too broad, his wings will not permit him to crawl, and his opinions of yesterday are of no possible use to him to-day. He is growing and expanding every minute. This is the change God intends man to make, which is surely bringing the son nearer the Father.

One wise and divine man defines the strictly consistent man as follows: "The strictly consistent person is he who squares to-day's acts by yesterday's dealings; to-morrow's exactions must be in strict accordance with to-day's, and in no event must he change — why? because it would be heterodox to presume to revise what custom has manifestly sanctioned!"

Of course the Divine Man — or the man who is at one with God — is like God, and is almost changeless, because he has arrived at that state of consciousness where he realizes his real greatness; yet he has undergone much changing in the past. As God is constantly working within his soul, or, to put it in another way, as he is working with God, there is no longer need of change. He knows exactly what to do, how to do, and when to do. Such a being then becomes the greatest worker for good in the world, because he is all the time working with God his Father, and doing the Father's blessed work. A Divine Healer is one who gets the gift of Divine Power by much changing; he has thrown off the shackles of fear, doubt, superstition, pessimism, atheism, scepticism, and all delusions about the mind and body — the power of mind and body. Without soul there is no mind nor body, and he realizes this truth and no longer relies too much on his mind and body. As long as we identify ourselves with the body, *i. e.*, place body first, we are bound to suffer from disease.

To further illustrate the necessity of change, permit me to quote from a deep and profound thinker who recently said: "A particular air or song is born — it is whistled and played everywhere. It is given before vast audiences, thousands listen in raptures, and the singer thereof is recalled before the footlights repeatedly. A great hit has been made, the heart and soul of man have been touched, and the air becomes popular. Six months later, should it be sung before the same audience it would be greeted with hisses of disapproval. Has the air changed, or the people? After catechism in our youth did we not saunter home, and, observing a Sabbath breaker, lament the foolhardiness of the fellow, for, would he dare disobey the scriptures did he know of the hot furnaces burning in that region of punishment where every Sabbath breaker is sent? Then we were young — sincere little bigots were we — on a small, very small, scale. To-day we have good reason to believe the furnace fires have gone out, and that every man saves himself hourly, if he is prudent, and not that there are

special places to go to be burned, or even to be saved." It is very plainly seen that the orthodoxy, theology, and religion of only a few years ago has been given up and a new and higher and better religion adopted. It was ever thus; continual and purposive change eventually frees the soul, and then it stands out in radiant beauty and eternal bliss.

Until perfection is reached there must be change; the law of change, when understood, places God, its Author, closer to man than most men can at this stage of our planet's growth comprehend. Yet, through Divine Power, the Author and His law can be understood easily and quickly.

In a recent magazine article by Mr. Alwyn M. Thurber, I find that many persons are beginning to investigate and search after the truth with respect to the law of change. The writer is evidently a very spiritual man. In a brief way he says our habits are continually changing. In the thoughtlessness of youth our appetites are indulged more or less freely, but when the effects of this begin to be felt, we slacken our pace and pick out our way more carefully. Pity, we say, we had not been more careful or more sparing of our vital capital. We dare almost imagine that had we known then what we know now there would have been little need of growing old, or dyspeptic, or tottering in mind. Yes, in our habits do we change most emphatically, often not until we are driven to it, however.

What vast changes have the inventive minds brought about! Yet each succeeding discovery was for its own day and age. Provide an Edison or Tesla with Galileo's primitive laboratory and would the plan be feasible? It was once the fashion to wear powdered wigs—for what reason the saints inform us!—and a pedestrian without knee-breeches would have been the contempt of his fellows. Has not a decided change taken place in spite of the singularly fixed tastes of our forefathers?—all the outcome of that evolution which time brings about in an orderly way. Man is the only being who is aware that things are changing thus, and that there is a divine order in it all.

Order is God's first law! Everything in the universe is in perfect order. With the Blessed One in His universe how could it be otherwise? New demands of civilization require new methods; old ideas—and they were once new, to be sure—are laid aside, and a motor, propelled by some unseen power, is invented, when, lo! the poor and jaded horse is turned out to

grass without a hint of knowledge why. Look at the past, and compare it with the present, and we see that everywhere there is change! change! change! With the eye of the Soul the Divine man can see the most wonderful improvements for the future, — so wonderful, that should he but intimate their nature, many would question his sanity. It certainly is a great privilege to find ourselves living factors in a day so full of what we might call wonders, had we not so recently found out that nothing is really wonderful, because all that is or can be comes under the domain of Divine Law. The world does move at an amazing rate, and we move with it, enjoying the changes, as the plan of God is to make these changes progressive. The alert eye of the progressive man or woman is wide open, ready to watch these changes — yes, even anticipate them — and by observing that the change from the past to the present is better for mankind, it is seen that all changes are orderly and progressive.

It is very interesting to study the face of a person who has grown old in some recluse of thought. A tired look has crept into his eyes, his voice betrays doubt, and the more he depends upon his props, his medicines, his drugs, his angry and avenging personal God — a far-away Monster-God — the less of individuality or spirituality remains in him. His orthodoxy has taught him that he is a born sinner — a mere worm — and therefore subject to the ills of the flesh in orderly rotation. I know many such men who suffer much from disease. I have spoken words of good cheer to them; told them the beauties of Divine Power to heal and cure. Our good neighbor may have listened and smiled charitably — he gets his lessons of charity from his orthodoxy and his Bible — but he plods mournfully on by himself, and from habit falls to thinking when it will be time to take that next dose of medicine. That man may never change this side of the grave, for the chronic medicine-taker seldom does change, except to try another well advertised remedy when the one he has been taking fails to cure him or give him relief.

Can the Divine Healer, you ask, confront the myriads of poisonous and nauseating remedies and drugs without fear of failure? Most assuredly he can. The phases of darkness and error need but to be lived out to permit the birth of a new era. The great change from darkness to light, in the healing and curing of diseases, has already taken place. The commonest

citizen may in a decade be the greatest Divine Healer the world has ever seen. In this age of wonderful change and progress everything is possible. The humblest reader of this book may any moment get Light from the Great God, and learn the simple laws of Divine Power. Many are born with this gift but do not know how to develop it. The progress of the age may bring them light any minute. This is the time when many souls are realizing their power and greatness. The flaming signs of pills and specifics, which adorn dead walls and bill-boards, are sure to fade out in time under the warming rays of a beneficent sun. I can conceive of no service greater than the work of the Divine Healer. The work is the manifest need of the hour. After our emancipation from drugs and medicines has been fully accomplished, there must logically follow a day of enlightenment truly commensurate with all the patient labors put forth in the past. But then, as now, will some greater changes come, greater strides in the realm of discovery be made, and the living present will teem with the harmony of souls who have recognized the supremacy of the soul and its oneness with the Great and Blessed God.

CHAPTER IX.

WHAT IS SPIRITUALITY ?

"Spirituality is widely recognized as the great need of humanity. The philosophy of materialism—the belief that the material is the real—is fast passing into decadence. Everywhere we hear of spiritual law; that the spiritual is the real; that man is a spiritual being, and that spirituality is his highest attainment."

SPIRITUALITY is, indeed, the greatest need of humanity to-day. True spirituality is the true awakening of the soul. A man becomes really spiritual when he realizes that he is an eternal soul; that the real or inner man is more forceful than the outer or gross man—the body. When this realization comes about, man is regenerated or born again. It is like the awakening from a long and frightful dream. The spiritual man recognizes that God—the All-Father—has ever been within him, and that all of his woes and miseries, diseases and sufferings, have been entirely due to his lack of knowledge that the Father and he were one—eternally inseparable. The Divine Force and Power never works in and through man to its full extent or highest degree until he realizes that he is an eternal soul at one with the great or Universal Soul, which we call God. And to the extent or degree in which this Divine Power works in and through our being, to that extent we will have Life, force, vigor, and vitality. This Divine Power is in all beings to a greater or less degree. Without it there could be no life at all. When the Soul, or real man, leaves its gross or material body, the body dies—is dead, inert matter. The soul never dies; it merely passes out of the body, and the body without the soul has no life or animation—it is dead. Persons who are not spiritual cannot comprehend the great and vast difference between the body and the soul—between matter and spirit. The soul, or real man, is indestructible; but the body is ever changing and ever dying.

There is, always has been, and always will be, much talk about Soul and Spirituality. It is only recently that large numbers of persons are beginning to understand what true spirituality is. Theology and orthodoxy have done much to blind men and keep them in darkness and ignorance about the Soul and God, the Blessed One. But at all times since man has been on this planet, God has manifested Himself in Divine men, who have planted the seeds of truth. In the past, true God-men, or Divine men, have been few and far apart; but we are now entering a Golden era, when there will be many such great souls, and a new, higher, and better order of things will obtain.

In this connection a great soul recently said: "In the minds of many spirituality is held to be what *it is not*, and this misconception has brought the ideal of spirituality into contempt in the estimation of the so-called practical world. To the man of affairs, the mock spirituality that is the ideal of many church people is mere sentiment, cant, or hypocrisy. The wrong interpretation placed upon spirituality by the church in the past, and which prevails now to a great extent with many steeped in theology and orthodoxy, has made spirituality a thing entirely unfitted for practical or beneficent use in this world, and only serviceable in some imaginary realm of bliss in the future—called heaven. It will be well for us, then, to know what spirituality is not."

True spirituality is a thing—or rather a state of consciousness—which can aid us now, this very minute. Our future will take care of itself if we are really spiritual. The Soul and Spirit is to serve us *here and now*; to heal and cure our diseases; to make us whole and sound, prosperous and happy. The Divine man is strong in spirituality; indeed, he is a spiritual giant. In no sense is such a being weak; he is strong spiritually and physically. In other words, the great soul or spiritual being controls and directs the Divine Power in a wise and intelligent way as God desires; because he is at one with God—working with God and not against Him. He is using the Divine Force, which is all power, all intelligence, and all wisdom. The spiritual man is in harmony with the Universal God Force, which is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. This harmonious relation with God is absolutely essential to the true Divine Healer, and is the only relation which will place him as king among kings, and make him a

power for wonderful good among his brothers, all of whom are God's children. It is his consciousness of his true relation to the Great One that gives him power to heal and cure diseases.

Most persons have an idea that God is far distant, and that it is not intended that we should know His ways or use His Power; that we must keep our distance and stand in awe of the Blessed One — or rather, as they think, the angry and wrathful God. For centuries man has remained in fear and doubt about God, through darkness, ignorance, and superstition. And right here permit me to quote again from a great soul of the *present moment*, who says: "In the first place spirituality is not something supernatural — that is, out of the range of natural forces, and bearing no relationship to human life on this planet. This view of it leads to a condemnation of the world, the body or temple of our souls, and all physical enjoyment. This is asceticism — a negative thing devoid of all power. Spirituality is not extreme renunciation, nor is it the denial of the material. THE GLORY OF THE SPIRITUAL IS NOT THE ABASEMENT NOR NEGLECT OF THE PHYSICAL: the physical must be made to partake of the same glory by bringing it into the unity of the spiritual world. Spirituality is not 'duty,' in the ordinary sense of that word as a 'bondage.' Spirituality is something grander and higher; it is a strong aspiration for righteousness. Spirituality is not resignation to adversity, to poverty, to disease and sorrow; true spirituality, in its highest degree, in a certain and positive way shows one how to avoid all these things. Resignation is mostly helplessness, weakness, or ignorance; it is a deadening ideal. Spirituality giveth life, strength, force, and courage. Spirituality is not sacrifice, nor is sacrifice one of the best means of attaining it. Whoso gives must also take, and he must take largely and freely for himself before he can give. The idea of sacrifice too often stands in the way of the attainment of the consciousness of individual power. Spirituality is rather sanctification. It is a generous self-realization. Spirituality does not depend upon the attendance of church, nor the belief in old creeds and dogmas, nor the strict observance of ordinances. It does not call some things divine and others secular — some places holy and others common. Spirituality is the union of all things in the Divine."

Spirituality does not see a portion of God's children saved and a portion

eternally lost or damned. A great spiritual being has no thought, much less talk, about the "salvation" of the soul. The soul is eternal and cannot be lost, and the sooner man can comprehend that grand truth the better for all concerned. The Great Soul rises superior to all this childish prattle about the salvation of souls and future and far-away heavens. God is right here within each and every being on this planet—in some more than others. Many persons drive God from them because they permit the mind to make false and erroneous pictures of God; they rely on the mind rather on the wee silent voice of the soul. The Spiritual or Divine man listens attentively to the silent whisperings of the Soul. In silence and peace he ever dwells, listening to the voice of God, his loving Father. But when man hypnotizes himself and lets the mind rule and dominate him, it will delude and trick him continually, and give him no end of trouble. Therefore, Divine Power or Force, which is really great spirituality, is attained by relying first and solely upon the soul,—ruling and controlling the mind by the soul. As I have said elsewhere, and would like to repeat on every page of this book, that man is an eternal living soul, at one with God, its Father, temporarily residing in a body which it consciously or unconsciously builds and moulds through its instrument, the mind. The mind by itself is not great; the body by itself cannot last or hold its form; it is only when man is conscious that he is an eternal living soul—as eternal as God—residing temporarily in a body, and using the mind as his instrument, that he really becomes great spiritually. The soul must train the mind to become spiritually minded, and not let it have its own way. When it does this it has a true conception of God, as Spirit—omnipotent, infinite, immanent in the universe. Then that man becomes a great spiritual centre or power; he is then able to see or realize God as the Good in the universe, the spiritual reality in all things—the All in All. The spiritual law governs the natural or physical world; it is the very law of our being. When we live, move, and have our being in God, we are truly spiritual.

Spirituality does not in any sense lessen our power to work in this good and busy world and receive just rewards in a material way for our labors. Indeed, spirituality increases our power in this direction, making us realize the truths about work—it shows us how to work to the best advantage.

It strips and cleanses our minds of all false ideas about accumulating wealth. For ages theologians have in their zeal — zeal without true knowledge or wisdom — taught man that he must be a meek, low, grovelling worm of the dust; that to acquire material riches was wrong and destroyed man's chances of entering an imaginary heaven located somewhere far away. Now, true spirituality teaches no such nonsense. It does show clearly and positively that each and every soul is entitled to a full share of God's bounteous gifts, but that we must work for and earn honestly and unselfishly our share. It once and for all time cleanses and frees one from all mean, low, vulgar, and selfish motives in the conduct of life. The spiritual man or woman is free from greed and envy, and is never selfish. Both drudgery and poverty are curses and never were uplifting. Without material prosperity there can be no progress or growth. Poverty does not build school-houses, colleges, universities, libraries, churches, hospitals, and establish other institutions which elevate and benefit mankind. Spirituality is for our present pressing needs and requirements — the very present moment of our growth and unfoldment. He who lives entirely in the past or entirely in the future is not spiritual. It is well to look into the past and compare it with the present, and observe the wonderful growth and improvement in the world that has been made; or to glance at the great possibilities of the future and see what room there is for further advancement, expansion, and growth. The wise or Divine man lives in the present, and by knowing the past and profiting by its lessons wonderfully improves the present and the future. What is good yesterday may be bad to-day, and what is good to-day may be bad to-morrow. Everywhere and in everything the spiritual man sees growth, improvement, and advancement in the most orderly way. The soul is surely going onward, forward, and upward, and is hourly improving and bettering the material or physical world — its environment.

Spirituality rescues the body from the dominion of the carnal mind, which looks for good in selfish pleasure. Heaven is right here now within each and every one of us if we will but recognize it. "Spirituality is to recognize that the kingdom of heaven is within — to find our heaven in a happy, peaceful, contented mind. It is to recognize also that heaven is all about us — that it is our environment; to see it in the sunshine and rain,

feel it in the air, know it in flower and tree and bird and beast — in every manifestation of life. It is so to relate ourselves to Nature that we are ministered unto by the Spirit that pervades it ALL. It is so to relate ourselves to humanity that we realize that each one is a member of the great body of mankind, and that the moral, social, and physical health of the whole depends upon the life, wisdom, and love that each individual manifests. It is so to relate ourselves to God as to know that in Him, the Blessed One, we live and move and have our being."

Spirituality is the greatest thing that man can attain to. The true spiritual man cannot be unhappy, cannot be diseased, cannot be a sufferer from adversity or poverty. This is a broad and strong statement and men often say to me it is not true; that so and so is a pious, good man, yet is sick and endures all kind of hardships. My reply is that such a person is not truly spiritual. A man may be very "pious" and very good from fear of an avenging or wrathful God, and be called spiritual. Such a man is nowhere near spirituality. Anyone who fears God is not spiritual. God is to love, adore, and worship, and not to fear. A man who fears God, the Blessed One, cannot have true love in his heart; such a man cannot love his fellow-beings as the real spiritual man can. Such a man cannot forget and forgive wrongs as God always does. Many persons credited with spirituality are mere slaves of fear; they act from low motives. We all know the "truly good, pious" man who can make loud and long prayers, yet who secretly is envious, greedy, and malicious. The religious fanatic and rampant reformer, who would mould all mankind as he is, cannot be spiritual and is not near God. Yet such men pose as spiritual beings among the thoughtless. Any man who will tell you there is an angry, avenging, or wrathful God who has prepared an eternal hell for some of his children — the most of them, it would seem, from old ideas — and a beautiful heaven for others, is in no sense a divine or spiritual man. Exacting and dogmatic critics of other men's beliefs or actions are never spiritual. Prudes and Pedants are not spiritual beings — far from it. So, I repeat, the real spiritual man is a perfect man and is not diseased; that Divine Power cures the worst diseases; that not only disease is overcome by Spirit but also all else that disturbs us.

In my course of lessons on Divine Healing — how to develop Divine

Power—much stress is laid on how to attain spirituality. Any aspiring soul can be easily taught the essential initial steps necessary to take in order to become spiritual. I can assure the reader that my lessons are not based on old theological ideas of God. In my great experience in healing and curing any and all diseases, I have obtained a true knowledge of how spirituality can be attained. It can never be attained in the smallest degree in the OLD WAYS.

The burning question of the present moment is, "How shall we attain this true spirituality, which offers so much that is desirable?" A number of true God-loving men—Divine men—are now on the earth strenuously striving to point the way. Their work is bearing great fruit. Disease and suffering humanity are being relieved daily in great numbers by the Divine Power. Not only are the sick permanently cured of their diseases—often pronounced by eminent physicians as "hopeless" and "incurable"—but they are awakened spiritually through the Divine Force. The great work of the Divine Healer is not alone to cure diseases but to also help man to better his condition in every way, and bring him to true bliss and happiness. The principal work of the true spiritual man, therefore, is to unify; to see good in every person, thing, and event, and to love that good. In the thought of the Divine Man there is no place for any fear, envy, malice, worry, gloom, or bad desire. "The thoughts of the spiritual mind are only of serenity, patience, and trust, because it knows that the Good is the arbiter of law, and that law is ever operative. It believes in health, happiness, and opulence here in this world, because thus always does spirit express itself, and spirit and matter are ever correlated."

Spirit is ever active—eternally so. The spiritual man is never lazy, indolent, or inactive. The spiritual man does things—makes things happen. He is the only man who fully understands the importance of orderly activity—orderly work. His soul, his mind, his heart, is ever in his work. He knows how to work and how to receive and use the rewards and fruits of his labors. He wants to do good by his work and spiritualizes it—whether his labors are tilling the soil, doing the so-called *low* work of the world, or the highest work. To the spiritual all work is noble and inspiring. With spirituality the commonest toiler in this world can lend dignity to his work. The spiritual man never wants something for nothing;

at no stage of being is he a drone or a dependent—he is never a beggar of favors, but rather a dispenser of favors.

The humblest and poorest man can attain to this state if he has an aspiration to do so and will go about it in the right spirit. It requires no great intellectual power to comprehend God. Some of our spiritual giants are men and women with little of the so-called scholastic learning. Let it be distinctly understood right here, that in no sense do I deprecate learning or intellectuality. All things will be added to the spiritual man. I have seen the most illiterate and intellectually weak persons become wonderful in intellect after the Spirit had awakened them—awakened the soul or real man. When the Eternal Spirit, or Divine Power, begins its work, a man may go to sleep a fool and wake up a wise man. To those who do not understand spiritual Law its workings seem as miracles. But there is nothing supernatural about it—with God all is orderly, perfectly orderly. The Spirit is the only uplifting and healing energy in the universe; it is the vital and One Force which makes for all good. Obey the silent voice of the Spirit and all will be well. “Obey, and thy soul shall live.” This does not mean that the soul can die; it means, that health, life, and true happiness can be attained now, this very second, if one will but listen to the continual whisperings of the soul. Divine Power and Divine Wisdom will come to every soul sometime and somewhere; it will come when the soul is awakened to a consciousness of its own true self, and when it consciously communes with God, the Blessed One—the great Over-Soul.

CHAPTER X.

SPIRITUALITY CONTROLS CONDITIONS. — HOW TO ACQUIRE HEALTH, WEALTH,
AND PROSPERITY.

“As the soul feels its need, it will reach out for more understanding; and the demand is met with sure supply. Once possessed of a knowledge of inherent capability, the first idea is to seek congenial environment, to the furtherance of the process of evolution. This condition is *possible* of attainment right now in this life, but *certain* of fulfilment in future lives. It is in no wise our duty to allow ourselves to be suppressed by existing conditions.”

EACH soul, with persistent determination, can accomplish much. No obstacle can stand in the way of the really spiritual man or woman. Soul Power, or Divine Power, can remove all obstructing obstacles to health, wealth, prosperity, and happiness; indeed, it is the only mighty power which each and every one of us can feel and use to our great and lasting advantage. For ages the souls of men have been clouded with countless veils of darkness and ignorance which have caused untold suffering to humanity. Now, man, by a slow and tedious growth or unfolding of the soul during the great past, is rapidly tearing away these veils of ignorance, superstition, bigotry, and darkness, and is freeing himself, once and for all time, from all bondage. The soul, or real man, is beginning to shine out in resplendent and radiating beauty, and by its own illumination is realizing its unlimited power and greatness. There is nothing in the universe greater than your own soul — or rather your real self. There is absolutely nothing a soul cannot accomplish when it fully realizes its true greatness and its true relation with its God — the great Universal Soul.

Therefore, it is the soul and the soul power of men which is solving all the perplexing problems of this world. It is the only force and only power which can free man from all of his woes and all of his miseries. Spirituality is truly the only controlling power in the universe; spirituality does control conditions, and until man thoroughly realizes this great and grand

truth he will be at the mercy of conditions and not the controller of them. As long as the mind of man is hypnotized or controlled by matter, the Spiritual or Divine Force within him must lie dormant — apparently dead. But the time will come — and it is coming to many now — when the soul will wake up out of its long sleep, and with tremendous power break the chains of fear, doubt, and superstition which have held it in darkness for ages, and batter down its prison walls and be free for all time. God, the Blessed One, is our only deliverer from our long imprisonment. The Great Spirit or Divine Power can heal and cure all of our diseases of mind and body, mend our fortunes, and bring to us eternal and everlasting joy, peace, calm, and happiness.

Theology, dogma, and the “old-fashioned” religion will not make a man spiritual or make him realize the true and great God and his relation to the Blessed One. It is the so-called New or Higher Truth about God and our universe which is hourly freeing many souls, and making them omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent. All of the old nonsense and superstitions about God and the soul, thank God, is to be buried so deep by the New Light, which is now spreading everywhere, that it can never be resurrected.

To show how fast we are progressing towards freedom, I have only to cite the truth, that fifty years ago, if I had written and published this book, which in no uncertain way tells men they are eternal, powerful, progressing souls that cannot be lost or destroyed, that there is not and never was an avenging or destroying God, that I would have been called a “blasphemer” and an “atheist” — certainly a Godless man. Real God-lovers are rapidly succeeding the God-fearers. How often we have read in the past of the God-fearing man. No man was ever a spiritual man in the true sense who was a God-fearing man. It has always been the God-fearing preachers who have made sublime truths ridiculous, and presented to humanity a low, vulgar God, with the lowest human attributes; such preaching and such teaching never makes moral nor spiritual progress. God is all love, all energy, all kindness, and all gentleness. The great soul, or the Divine or spiritual man, is ever a fearless and God-loving man — never a God-fearing man. It is the great God-lovers of the world who do things and are the world-movers — make things happen — accomplish much. The spiritual man

breaks away from the customs of tradition, from the cut and dried stereotyped ways of our ancestors. Thus it is to-day that Divine Healing is making such progress and headway everywhere on the globe. The soul is at work, with God, perfecting our physical bodies. The spiritual development of to-day is teaching man to control conditions, to banish disease, poverty, and drudgery. Centuries of custom in the past have made man anything but a spiritual being. For ages man has been an arrant coward and a weakling through his lack of knowledge of the true living God; he has considered himself a poor worm without force or power until he has well-nigh become a weak, creeping worm.

But now the great heart of humanity is touched with the true Divine Power and the world gets brighter and better every second. We are just beginning to realize our greatness and that the universal Divine Power is ever ready to serve us and give us strength and power to do. No longer are we weakly, cowardly dependants upon a cold, heartless, avenging, and wrathful God, who is residing far, far away, in some distant place or spot of the universe. God is right here with each one of us, ready to help and strengthen us every minute, if we will but give Him the opportunity to do so.

Spirituality is the Spirit working within and without — the All in All. It means the greatest force, power, love, gentleness, health, strength, and activity. With the Spirit truly and fully at work, there is nothing man cannot accomplish. To the spiritual man there can be no failures; he surmounts all difficulties and rides serenely over all obstacles. The old idea was that a spiritual man could not acquire material wealth nor enjoy this world. What bosh! In the past the so-called religious or spiritual man was a sad and mournful spectacle; his mind was full of hobgoblin stories of hells and punishments, with a dream in the air of a heaven located afar off, no one knew where. The ridiculous nonsense about a rich man being unable to enter heaven — I refer to the story of the needle's eye and the camel — has long since been known to be false, and we have to-day among many men of tremendous material wealth the greatest spiritual giants that ever existed. Indeed, it was this spiritual force which enabled them to acquire wealth, because they were endowed with great wisdom and energy, and not only knew how to work for wealth, but also had the

strength of soul, mind, and body — strength of character — to accomplish and succeed in their undertakings. No man can do great things unless he has tremendous soul power back of him. Then again, God, in His wonderful wisdom, works in certain men of strong character, and makes or appoints them custodians or stewards of enormous wealth that they may use money wisely in developing the material resources of the earth, and thus getting it constantly in better shape for us all to dwell here in peace and harmony. Poverty, as a rule, is weak and can do little towards making an individual, a nation, or a world truly spiritual — progressive. The greatness of America — the greatest country and nation of the world — is due to two things — the spirituality of its leaders and rulers and people, and the tremendous natural wealth within its borders. God is very actively at work here in His children, doing great and grand works. Look at our great presidents, — they were all God-loving, spiritual men; the same is true of our teachers, inventors, scientists, merchant-princes, railroad magnates, mine owners, manufacturers, mill owners, farmers, laborers, and workers in every line of industry. It is the Divine Power or Spirit of God that does everything; that is manifesting itself in countless ways. The Divine Power is ceaselessly and orderly at work right here in America as well as everywhere else on this planet and in the whole universe. The greatest lie that was ever uttered is that a spiritual man is not to have health, wealth, and happiness right *here and now*. As we attain in soul growth or soul power, we know better how to improve all conditions and better our environment. Any religion or philosophy which teaches otherwise is false and rotten to the core.

In our heart of hearts we feel that disease, poverty, and unhappiness is not our birthright. The whisperings of the soul clearly, distinctly, and persistently tell us that woe and misery are not our lot. When men learn to listen to the voice of the All-Father through their souls they get Divine Power and Divine wisdom to do great and mighty works for which they are amply rewarded in a fuller and better life — in health, strength, wealth, and happiness. In spirituality, and spirituality alone, is our great power and strength; it is the only power and strength to alter and change poor conditions to good conditions. With the soul fully awake man is a wonderful power; he is then free from disease, poverty, and unhappiness; he

has reached the goal of eternal, blissful existence; he is then at one with the Great God of the universe, and Divine Power and Wisdom is his forever. There is no more grief, sorrow, or suffering for that soul. Moreover, such a freed soul will help and aid all of his fellow-beings. The more spiritual the world becomes the more beautiful it will be.

With spiritual development this world will become more beautiful than the most vivid picture of heaven that has ever been pictured. The more that God dwells in our heart and head and body, the more soulful or spiritual we are, and the greater and more powerful we become to change and control conditions.

The question arises, How can we attain to this spiritual state which promises so much? Within the covers of this book I have in many ways endeavored to show how each and every one can become what God intends us all to be—Souls at one with Him. But to be more specific, I will, in this chapter, outline the essential things to do to attain Spirit or Divine Power. In the first place we must first have an insatiable thirst for the truth—a persistent desire to know God and feel His wonderful Love and Power. The soul never cries out earnestly for God but what He, the Blessed One, manifests Himself to that soul at once, and brings to it Light, Love, Wisdom, Guidance, and Direction. We must persistently and earnestly desire His Love, His Light, His Direction, and His Guidance. This is prayer without ceasing, and will eventually lift the soul into the highest realm of existence. Starting with this simple prayer to know God and to be guided by Him will lead us to the very highest attainment. For a while we must trust solely in God and rely on His strength and power. Then Divine Light and Power will begin to flood in on us and cleanse and strip the mind of all previous false ideas of God. The first work of the Divine Power is to cleanse and purify both the mind and body, and in time give both of these instruments of the soul health and strength,—new life and new vigor will stream and pulsate through every fibre and cell of the brain and the body; the nervous system will be quieted and the whole physical being made sound, whole, and perfect. God is now busily at work day and night—every second—in the temple of your soul. As soon as He has cleansed, purified, and made whole the temple, He begins to pour bits of Divine Wisdom into the mind, and from hour to hour the

soul and its tenement—the body—is thrilled with vibrations of Life, Health, Joy, Peace, and Bliss. To him who has not felt the Spirit, the peace, calm, and joy which it brings to the whole being is indescribable. Language is impotent to describe the effect of the Divine Power on that being who has never felt or realized it in its highest working. In treating diseases, I am constantly witnessing changes from utter woe to the highest bliss and happiness in my fellow-beings. The working of Divine Power is the most beautiful and wonderful thing there is. This change is the dying of the old man in us and the birth of the new; it is regeneration. I have often seen beings of the lowest and most vicious tendencies transformed into angels. With my experience, is it any wonder that I am so earnestly enthusiastic in this work—in spreading broadcast the great truths about Divine Power? Would that every being on this planet could realize these grand and wonderful truths!

To further picture the bliss and delight of the soul in its return to its source—the Blessed One—and to emphasize the advantages of being at one with God, permit me to add further truths. Now that the regenerated man has realized the God within, he is a changed being for all time. His understanding and wisdom is great and far-reaching; all of his appetites, passions and desires are changed, and he becomes a power among men for great good. He becomes honest, truthful, just, considerate, kind, gentle, and loving, and becomes truly magnetic, drawing to himself without interruption all the good things of the universe. Disease, poverty, woe, misery and a sense of loneliness depart from him for all time. He has entered the new and highest existence there is—then he is truly a spiritual being. No more does fear or doubt enter his mind—there is absolutely nothing in the universe that can disturb the truly spiritualized man. Death has no terrors for him who is at one with God, and thus the grave is robbed of its terrors. He realizes—positively knows—that he is immortal, an eternal soul, and that for all time he will be blissful, joyful, and happy. Furthermore, he knows and realizes that every one of his fellow-beings will some time realize the same grand truths; that not one soul in the whole universe is ever damned or lost; that God is all Love,—the highest, purest and most perfect love there is, and is ever a restorer and never a destroyer; that all ideas ever held by mortal man that God was a cruel or punishing

God are false, and really never had the slightest basis of truth in them; that all such false notions of God emanated from the minds of mortal men who themselves possessed angry, wrathful and avenging natures. In this connection let me say a few words which will be of interest and throw some light on how any one can tell the true and exact nature of any human being. If a man will give me his conception of God, I immediately arrive at his true nature. For example, he who has a cruel and avenging God, is himself cruel and avenging in his nature; he who has a low and vulgar God who is eternally rewarding and punishing His children is of a low and vulgar nature; he who says his God is the only true God is fanatical and intolerant in his nature; while he who has a God of the highest Love, the greatest mercy, and a God who is the All in All, is a man with all the grand and noble characteristics of a high nature, and is a soulful and spiritual man. The nearer perfection man is the more perfect is his God. As a matter of truth, outside of the true God-men or Divine men, who have attained to the highest spirituality, no two men have exactly the same conception of God. That is the reason the world has always had such a great variety of religions — there was such a great variety of ideas among theologians and religionists as to God and His attributes. True spirituality in its purest and highest form has nothing to do with dogmas, creeds, sects, beliefs, theories, or speculation; it deals only with the truth, the eternal and absolute truth. The great soul or spiritual giant is not limited by belief in any one religion. If I say I am a Jew I can go only so far; if a Christian I draw a circle around myself and am limited. So to have no limitations I worship at the Altar of Truth, and go direct to God the All-Father, who is the eternal principle of all Being, the power which creates, supports, sustains, and again withdraws into itself all worlds. This power is identical with the self or the soul that is manifesting itself in all beings. God is the source of all light, all force, all power — He is the All in All.

Now, a few words about work. The soul is ever active, and is both the doer and the enjoyer of all work, of all activity. Without work no human life is thinkable. The more spiritual a man is, the greater and grander and more lasting will be his work. It is the Spirit or Divine Force which enables man to work — to do things. The more spirit, the greater the

work, and the greater are the results of such work—in happiness and material gain. With spirituality man becomes a true worker, and the more soul power or spirituality he has, the greater and better are his works. A lazy or indolent man is a man possessing little soul power—small spirituality. A great intellectual man may have little soul power, yet do a great deal of work, but it will not last long. Christ was a spiritual giant and lives to-day. Many men have had more intellect than Christ, but are now forgotten. Going back through all ages we find that it is the spiritual men, or great souls, who live and live for thousands of years. Buddha, Socrates, Plato, and Christ were Divine Men, and they exert a greater power to-day than when they lived in the body. Our works are great and lasting to the extent of our soul power or spirituality. Great numbers of persons are beginning to find out that they do not know how to work to the best advantage until they acquire soul power, and that is the reason there is such a tremendous wave of spirituality sweeping over this planet at the present time. This world is only in its infancy, and there is tremendous work yet to be done; and great happiness, joy, health, and wealth will come to all who learn how to work with God in making this our world beautiful. But before a soul can do great and good work—lasting work—it must commune with God and learn how to build a strong, healthy body, a strong, healthy mind, and command and control the great Divine Power. Then we are truly architects of our own bodies, and through working with, and not against, God get an abundance of Divine Force—spirituality—which will control conditions. Then a soul can make its own happiness, have a better environment, and be absolutely free from disease, worry, or conditions that are at all disturbing. How wise it is, then, for all of us to learn to work with God, and do things His way. This is not a visionary dream, because in my work of Divine Healing I am getting the grandest results. Not only am I healing and curing constantly diseases of the worst type, but I am also helping many to do the same work, and am spreading broadcast into the whole world truths about the beneficence of Divine Power which are bearing fruit in abundance. The field is a large one, and it is ready for these truths. I am pleased to say my success in every way is unparalleled. Before many years I will have helped to develop many Divine Healers. They are much needed, and many have the

power to become not only great healers but great workers for good in God's world — our world. With Divine Men at work in all sections of the world a great and lasting work will be done.

In concluding this chapter I think from what I have said in reference to theology and religions above, it is well for me to define my attitude towards the different religions of the world. I have the highest respect for the religious belief of any man. My methods of practical realization of the Divine within the Human are applicable to all religions and all peoples. My constant prayer is for the inflowing and outflowing of universal love and broad toleration. I only desire to appeal to what is best and noblest in my brothers. It is my aim always to present only truths about Divine Healing and the Divine Power as I have fully realized it, in a plain and simple manner, without in any way attacking the beliefs of others. I desire all to achieve soul-growth and live a sensible and orderly life without conflict; there is nothing adverse in my teachings to those of Jesus himself, who was a Divine Healer who had realized his oneness with God, the All-Father. My lessons and instructions to pupils who are developing the Divine Power under me teach the loftiest morality, the most rigid purity of personal character, together with the most complete unselfishness and broadest tolerance for the religious beliefs of others.

CHAPTER XI.

IMMORTALITY.

"There can be absolute freedom only in the Infinite and Unconditioned. God and immortality are necessary to its conception and realization."

THE kingdom of God is within, *here and now*. We are eternal—immortal souls. Let us realize this truth, and we are immediately freed from disease, worry, sorrow, grief, woe, and misery. When man cannot realize that he is immortal he is bound to suffer much. It is of vital importance to each being to realize, know, and feel that they are immortal souls, eternally going onward, forward, and upward. It is of no use to believe this blindly, because some priest, preacher, or theologian has told you so; but you must feel it in your mind, your heart, and your soul.

I have knowledge about immortality, and have fully realized that each and all of us are eternal souls—immortals—going onward, forward, and upward, forever and forever, without end; that absolute joy, peace, calm, and bliss is the goal of every soul on this earth, notwithstanding the great amount of false doctrine which has been taught for ages, that man's soul—the real man—is in danger of being eternally lost or eternally damned. This is the greatest lie that was ever uttered. Not one soul can be lost or damned or destroyed. I defy any one to prove that the soul can be destroyed.

The real man will always live, and always has lived; but all men have not yet reached that stage of their evolution or unfoldment where they are conscious of this eternal existence. All suffering in the world is due almost entirely to the truth that only a few Divine Men have reached that stage of their evolution where they realize their true greatness and their oneness with God. Man must *realize* before he can escape all the ills of this world. Before Divine Force, Power, and Wisdom are his to use, he must feel and

know that he is an immortal soul, at one with the Great Soul — God — of the universe.

Theology, dogma, creeds, and doctrines of the past have done little to make man feel and know that all beings and God are copartners, eternally working together as Father and children, in this most beautiful and orderly universe. These religionists have, however, through ignorance, intolerance, and fanaticism, made such wonderful and extraordinary statements about what God is, and His relation to His children, that they have frightened the weak and timid until they are sad, sorrowful, fearful, and diseased; while the stronger and sensible ones, who could use their God-given reason, have boldly said, we will have none of your angry and wrathful God, and we will have none of your Heavens and Hells; or we don't know whether there is a God or not, or whether man has a soul. In other words, for ages past man has had few true teachers who would tell him that he was more than a sinner, constantly in danger of God's wrath. The teachers and preachers in the past have been mostly God-fearing men — literally, *God-fearing men* — and seemed to be proud of that relation to God. Now, we have coming into the world many Great Souls who have realized God and immortality through their intense Love for God, who are spreading broadcast the truth that God is Love and the All in All; that the soul is the real or inner man and cannot be lost, destroyed, or punished; that it is only the body and the mind that suffers; that the body is not eternal, and is constantly changing and dissolving, — what we call dying.

It is not my purpose to go into a lengthy recital here about the false doctrines of the past. Thank God, the blessed Light of Truth has forever destroyed these false and erroneous conceptions about God, about the soul, matter, Spirit, and the universe. With the new and higher teaching, God is telling His children through His Divine Agents — the great souls — that He is not and never was a cruel monster; that He is all Love, all Force, all Power, dwelling within each being of the universe; that He is not a low, vulgar, or petty God, with the low human attributes that zealous and ignorant men have tried to make Him out to be; that He is *not*, and never *was*, the cause of disease, woe, misery, sorrow, and grief; but that He is the only healer of our diseases, woes, miseries, sorrows, and griefs; that He is All Force, All Power, All Life — omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent.

The great message and rallying cry from now on is to be "GOD, FREEDOM, IMMORTALITY!" This means Life, and Life more abundant. It means eternal joy, peace, bliss, strength, vitality, prosperity, and happiness. No longer are we to be God-fearing cowards and weaklings! We are all to be true God-lovers. "'Tis only God may be had for the asking." The soul and spirit are at work now as never before. "Through imperfections of the flesh the perfection of the spirit pushes over with unwavering purpose to declare perfection. Through all mutations of the finite, the Infinite unfolds in ever-increasing expression of immutability. Its unity is emphasized in and through the widest diversity. The kingdom of God is within and at hand *here* and *now* — not a thing of the dim past or the distant future; not far to seek or difficult to find and know; not the exclusive possession of any age or clime, nor of any man or set of men — but the common heritage of ALL God's children, and for every living soul of us."

"Closer is He than breathing, and
Nearer than hands and feet."

So we see how important it is to realize immortality, and that we are all so closely related to God that without him we could not exist. "We cannot consider God apart from man," says a great soul. "The ideas for which the words stand are related and interdependent." In one sense, man does not realize God until he surrenders to Him, the Blessed One — "The surrender of the finite will to the Infinite Will." But let it be remembered that "such surrender is not the surrender of the vanquished. It does not mean defeat. On the contrary, it marks the largest and greatest victory possible to man — the victory of the will, of the Supreme Will, the Infinite Will; of the God in us. It is a glad and willing surrender, freely chosen and desired above all things."

"NOT MY WILL, BUT THINE."

These words mark the crown and consummation of Christ's mission. It was this realization of God the All-Father, by Christ the Son, which made him the greatest Divine Healer the world has ever had. "When we put ourselves into right relations with God, with truth and the laws of the universe, all things are working with us and for us."

It is only when man works against the Law with his finite mind that he suffers. This suffering, understand, does not come as a punishment or chastisement from God. The Blessed One is above such low and petty business as chastising and punishing His beloved children. The child who puts its hands into the fire will be burned and suffer. God cannot change His eternal Law with respect to fire. The child sooner or later understands what the fire invariably will do — must do — and no longer foolishly thrusts its hand into the flame. Foolish men will say there is no God — no Divine Power — no Divine Law and no immortal soul — and just so long as they believe and feel that way, just so long must they suffer. It is the lack of knowledge which causes all suffering. God does not inflict punishments, and never did, and never will do so. He in His Great Wisdom has established an Eternal Law which, when understood and obeyed, makes for all good and all perfection. It is this Law which makes the whole universe so orderly. Look about you everywhere through all space and see the countless orbs — suns, solar systems, and planets — all working in the most perfect order; then look at nature on this planet and see how perfectly orderly she is. Back of all this is God's Eternal Law. When man can understand and obey this one eternal Law he is at one with God, and becomes perfectly orderly himself. It is then he realizes that God and he are one; that by working with God he will work orderly and become a perfect being — an orderly being. Moreover, he realizes the greatest and grandest truth that comes to the soul and mind of man, and that is, that with God he is an immortal and an eternal soul. He then awakens from a long and dreary nightmare and realizes it was all a hideous dream; that he has always existed as a soul in some form or other, and will always continue to exist. Death has no terror for that man, for what can die? He can wear out a body and let it die; but he, an eternal soul, must ever live and go onward, forward, and upward to new, better, and higher states of consciousness.

Death of the body is merely an incident — a transition from one state of consciousness to a higher state — the soul leaving an old worn-out tenement to find a better abiding place. It is very hard to realize this grand truth; yet it is the most important truth that ever comes to man — that he is immortal. In Divine Healing, the healer knows that each being is an

immortal soul just as much as he knows that this is a printed page of paper that you are reading. Great and wonderful force and power for great and lasting good comes to him who realizes immortality. When we realize that we are all immortal souls at one with God, we reach a state of consciousness that lifts us for all time out of the valley of darkness and ignorance; out of all our woes and miseries. Then we understand the true meaning and beauty of death—death or dissolution of the body. Death has only to do with the body, and never touches the soul; at death the soul calmly passes out into a calm, blissful, and happy state, and enters into a new and higher state of consciousness. When immortality is thoroughly understood, death is not at all dreaded. Yet we find that such men are always perfectly healthy, and live in the body for a very long period—or what we call a life. Their knowledge of God and immortality makes them fearless beings, and a fearless person will escape disease and premature or early death of the body. Fear and doubt are always weakening and cause much disease, woe, misery, and early passing out of the body. The soul should ever strive to mould and build its body so that it will be strong, harmonious, beautiful, and lasting,—that is, the soul should endeavor to hold the body as long as possible. Great souls positively know that all are eternal and will sometime be happy and blissful, whether in or out of the gross or material body; they also know that the experience gained in our eternal, forward, upward, and onward march is hourly of great advantage to the soul, and therefore they hold on to the body as long as possible. Therefore, a spiritual person who has realized immortality will not commit suicide, notwithstanding he knows that beyond the grave is bliss and happiness. Moreover, the more spiritual a man is the more careful he is in building and constructing a strong, beautiful, and lasting body. Such a man will not habitually drink poisonous beverages, smoke or eat other poisonous weeds—he will not weaken or defile his body with anything that will disturb its state of healthy vibration. The body is really a holy temple, and must be kept clean, pure, strong, wholesome, and harmonious before the soul can reside in it with perfect joy, bliss, and happiness.

Man is just beginning to really understand or realize that he is an immortal soul with a body, and not a body with a soul; that the soul is one thing and the body entirely another thing. Heretofore, through dogmatic

theology and false teaching, man has been kept in the darkness, and not knowing he was immortal has suffered untold woe and misery.

Let a man once understand the true eternal living All-Father, and that he is at one with this Blessed One, and then all sickness, all poverty, all unhappiness, disappear forever, and he realizes that he is a joyous, blissful soul that has always existed in the past, and will always exist in the future. Now, each and every reader of this book, aye, each and every being in the universe, will sometime and somewhere realize this grand and beautiful truth of immortality. The first step towards this realization, which can bring so much joy and bliss to the one who realizes, is to have a strong, earnest, sincere, and persistent desire to know the real and true God of the universe. Silently, persistently, and earnestly pray to God for Him to reveal Himself to you; pray only for the truth; it is only the truth that can lead us out of bondage of suffering of all kinds to God, Freedom and true knowledge of Immortality. "Jesus healed the sick, fed the hungry, and did many good things through the power of the word of Truth, and he left the knowledge of this power as a precious legacy to mankind — a legacy that has been neglected up to within a few years."

The truth may at times become obscured and hidden, but it is never entirely lost. A few men are doing great and mighty works as Divine Healers, and Christ's prediction that "these and greater works" shall be done, is being fulfilled. The Power of God is open to *all* — the love of God is open to all. It does not require a great and wonderful mind to comprehend the real God. "The deep things of God are often hidden from the so-called wise and learned in their conceit, but revealed to babes." I am helping many men and women to become Divine Healers and Divine Instructors. The world is ready for and greatly needs these healers. But before any one can become a successful healer he must realize that he is an immortal soul. Immortality is the key-stone or foundation of Divine Healing; it must be understood and realized by the healer. With respect to sick people, it is also important that they realize that they are immortal souls, before they can become free from disease. Freedom from all woe and all misery is the great message of Divine Healing. My whole aim and life work is to carry to all men glad tidings of joy, hope, cheer; I wish to free you from disease, from fear and doubt, from adverse conditions, pov-

erty, and drudgery. Man as a soul — an immortal soul — is master of his own fate ; but as long as the mind believes that it is a body and not a soul, that being is in abject bondage, and is wafted here and there, suffering untold misery.

It is only through loving God with a tremendous and insatiable love that we come into Light and Freedom. "Through Freedom is mastery attained. Through mastery we have life — life truly worth living, life that is more than the meat, life glorious in its fulness and its permanence, the life eternal! What immortality really means is only beginning to be realized." It is not to be felt in the great future, in a far-away golden-paved heaven ; it is to be realized *here*, and *right now* ; it is to bring us health, wealth, and happiness, *here* and *right now*. The last enemy, the false teacher about God and His children, has been destroyed ; we are at last getting ready to command. The light of Truth is blazing everywhere! The soul is immortal and supreme! We, the children of God, are, through Love, to attain freedom, and become strong, perfect, beautiful! We are to be fed with the food that satisfies! The soul knows no obstacle — it is, when freed, omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent. There is no limit to the Real Man's power or force. "The soul expands and grows in the light of the Spirit." Creative soul power is the most tremendous power in the universe. Every being can have this power by loving God unselfishly. "In all things there is but one law. That law is good. It is the foundation principle of the universe. But, through ignorance of this law, man temporarily suffers and causes suffering because he knows not the universality of the law — because he looks outside of his own inner world for the cause." If you are in right earnest to learn about God and His universal law, He will manifest Himself in you. It is ignorance and selfishness that clouds our souls and draws a deep veil before God, so that we cannot see or feel him, although he ever dwells within each and every one of us. As the cloud covers the sun, so ignorance conceals God. When the cloud moves away, the sun is seen ; so when ignorance is removed, God becomes visible. You may be deep in a dark mine with the most powerful and brilliant electric light that man can construct ; but if you should enclose it in a case of sheet iron, you would be in total darkness, although the most powerful light was only separated by an eighth of

an inch of sheet iron. God is dwelling within each of us, but some veil of doubt, fear, or ignorance blinds the soul to his presence.

Try as hard as you can to think of yourself as forever dead and you cannot do so. A test of the imperishableness of the soul is that a man cannot think of himself as forever dead; he can think of his body as dead and perishable, but the still voice of the soul will whisper to him that in some way or somehow he will continue to exist.

It is from the soul that we get true courage that braces a man for action; that is the reason we always find great leaders in the world very soulful and spiritual men. The hope that flows ever new from the breast comes from the soul; the deep and pure love that streams out from our hearts comes from the soul. It is the eternal soul that gives man reverence that subdues his native pride; the devotion that makes him forget all, even his own life, to rush into danger to save others; the genius that glows in his works,—all these rest on a principle that is eternal, not on one that is transient.

The soul can realize that it is eternal by loving God and following these six rules:—

1. Control the mind.
2. Control the body and organs; don't let the body or organs rule.
3. Learn to bear, without murmur or complaint, heat and cold, pleasure and pain; take the bitter with the sweet; put up with the *duals* in nature without feeling disturbed.
4. Learn to direct the mind on good things; direct it to God; meditate on God; pray to God.
5. Think about immortality; try to fathom all that is not plain to you; think of a better life beyond the grave.
6. Learn to be very quiet and passive for some time each day in a silent spot. God can then speak to you; He speaks to men when they suffer much and are in the silence. When in great trouble learn to go to God, and silently ask Him for direction.

CHAPTER XII.

CONCLUDING WORDS.

"I feel that man should earnestly seek that truth which will bring him and others the largest amount of happiness; and give up that which brings a lesser amount of happiness. Happiness is either in the body, or in the mind, or in the soul; the soul brings the highest and most lasting happiness; the mind seeks for pleasing things rather than for grand truths; while the body likes sensual things—sensations." — *A Hindoo Sage*.

In concluding this book I will devote the last chapter to covering many subjects in a brief way, believing that what I suggest here will be food for both the mind and the soul.

With animals and the lower types of men we find that happiness is all in the body—feeding and pampering the body. No man can eat with the same pleasure as a famished dog, or a wolf; so in the dog, and in the wolf, the happiness is entirely in the body. In men we find a higher consciousness and a higher plane of happiness, that of thought; and in the Divine, or God-man, there is the very highest plane of happiness—that of soul. Sense gratifications, or physical things, bring temporary pleasures and many pains. He who lives in the senses, and for pleasure alone, must suffer much, because, living on the plane of pleasure, man must put up with the opposites—pain and disease.

The difference between pleasure and happiness is great, very great. Happiness has no painful opposite, because it is the effect of soul growth,—of spirituality. The soul directs man to knowledge and wisdom, and it is the knowing man, all over the world, who is the happy man, and who enjoys the happiness of the world. He who is not spiritual never enjoys; he has to work and drudge for others unconsciously. In my treatments for happiness and prosperity I am very successful, because I concentrate great power on the soul, and burn away from it the veil of ignorance that exists in all unhappy people about pleasure and happi-

ness. In Divine Healing we do not treat for *pleasure*, but for *happiness* and *prosperity*.

No one can ever become really happy or really prosperous unless they work with Soul power — Divine Power.

With the mind you can have lots of pleasure, as long as it works with the body; but no real or lasting happiness can come through the mind alone. Real happiness comes from the soul, — when the soul, mind, and body work together in harmony.

Divine Healing is certain and permanent in its work, while all other methods are experimental and never permanent. The sufferer when treated by drugs and medicines is always in danger of a relapse or a recurrence of the disease, even after it has been pronounced cured.

Until SPIRITUALIZED, or fully awakened to a realization of our eternal greatness, we are in terrible bondage, and great sufferers from disease, poverty, worry, apprehension, doubts, and fears; he is, until he realizes God, a slave of the body, slave of the mind, slave of the world, slave of a good word, slave of a bad word, slave of anger, slave of pleasure, slave of everything, slave of life, and the slave of death. Divine Power and Divine Love can eternally free one from this abject slavery. How? By working with or being treated by a Divine Healer, and by earnest, sincere prayer to God, the Blessed One. The soul is first to be heard, and in the Silence thought upon, and then meditated upon.

Whatever one has a strong and persistent desire for, that will be granted in time.

Persistently and silently desire to know God and He will come to you.

Persistently and silently love God, and His powerful love will make every fibre of your being thrill with joy and happiness.

Persistently and silently let the soul dwell on the universal soul — on God — and it will wake up from its drunken dream of ages; it will no longer be under a hypnotic spell of matter; it will free itself and be at one with the Great God.

“I am a soul, an eternal soul, with all power, all force to do!” That is the thought to persistently hold. Every thought that says we are weak men, or some other thing, should be banished. We are all children of

God, who is All Love, All Force, All Power — the All-Father and the All-in-All.

This is the teaching to be heard, "I am at one with God." Day after day we should get rid of all other thoughts; everything else must be cast out of the mind. Let every drop of blood tingle with the idea of Oneness — that "I am He."

Never help or strength came from anywhere but from our own souls, when at one with God the universal Soul.

Divine Power cleanses the mind of all doubts and fears, and makes of man a tremendous power for good. Don't be weak! Wake up! Let the soul dominate and exercise its wonderful power! Let us all be healthy, joyful, happy, and prosperous!

Do you know, dear reader, that this world has made more progress — more real growth — during the nineteenth century than during ALL previous centuries of which we have any record? God has been at work on this planet during the nineteenth century as He never was before. The next century will be more wonderful — wonderful beyond the dream of imagination.

"Man is mastering Nature. He is learning the secrets of Mother Nature. Her power is passing over into his hands. The ancient word is coming true, and God, now for the first time really creating man in His image, is saying unto him, 'Have dominion over the fish of the sea and the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.' Alladin's experience is proving real in the story of Man — the genii of the lamp are trooping to his feet to do his service, placing their miraculous powers at his disposal."

The time is not far distant when all disease and poverty and drudgery will be banished. The world is getting more beautiful every day! We are preparing a new earth, in which there will be health and wealth, peace, plenty, and prosperity. Divine Healing is spreading at a most wonderful rate, and is helping on the grand work of destroying disease and poverty. "Wealth beyond the dream of the ancients is piling up in our modern civilization — wealth enough for all, if all can but share aright therein."

Divine Power will show us how to get and use great wealth, and thorough spirituality is the only way to health, wealth, and happiness.

To get power, force, and happiness we must realize God — not the old monster God of theologians — but the real living, working, and All Loving God of *to-day*, who is working *here* and *now* through all beings. When we can reach that state of consciousness in which the unity of the whole universe is felt, and where we feel our non-separateness from God, the Universal Spirit, we will have no disease, no fear of death or anything, no sorrows, no anxieties. We will then be all-powerful for great, good, and lasting works, which will benefit ourselves and all humanity.

If you are inclined to doubt your great power, I would say, although some persons doubt anything and everything, they cannot doubt the doubter. *The doubter thinks.* If "*I think, therefore, I am.*" By your very doubting you establish the reality of your eternal existence. The sceptic is often nearer the great and true God than the pious fanatic or "holy ascetic."

Bigotry, intolerance, and fanaticism have been the curses of man from all time; no one who thinks he is all right and that all others are all wrong has as yet developed much soul power, or is very near to God. The pious, unctious, and loud praying church member, who believes that God loves only members of his particular belief, and will destroy or not love those outside of that particular belief, is far, far away from God, although he lives the most pious and most religious life, according to the rules and dogma of a church.

Unless a man have love in his heart for all of his fellow-beings, regardless of sex, color, nationality, or religious belief, he is not a true God-lover, and is not a man of much spirituality or much Divine Force or Power.

To expand, grow, develop, and realize God we must always and persistently, deep in our hearts, *silently* love everyone — the bad, the good, the believer and the unbeliever. God is not a respecter of any particular person or any particular belief. He loves, deeply loves, *ALL* beings in the universe, because he is All Love and the All in All. Therefore, we must always *silently* wish every one well — wish them peace, joy, health, strength, prosperity, and happiness. Doing this silently, secretly, earnestly, and persistently, and right from your soul and heart, will give any one wonderful Divine Power.

The only true guide for the conduct of life is the wee small voice of the soul. The whisperings of the soul are golden truths, which can lead man to the highest realm of joy and bliss. Remember, through the soul the mind can transcend its limitations and give man unlimited power. The Divine Man is a Soul with God-vision and with God-power; it is a soul that is at one with God and working with God. It is then, and not until then, that the soul reaches supreme bliss and supreme power in God.

All the energy of the mind, directed by the will or whisperings of the soul, will bring one to realization and perfection right *here* and right *now*. The first step is *silent* and *secret* prayer to God for Love, Light, Direction, and Guidance. When every human aid fails you and you are in dire trouble, and are full of woe and misery, that is the time to go to God and He will help you.

Spiritual illumination is the special attribute of the soul, and is brought about by silent meditation and secret prayers to God for Light. The reason I insist upon silent and secret prayers is that by not letting any one know you are seeking God, you avoid becoming self-righteous, "pious," and that sort of thing. For a while this is a sacred matter with yourself — with the God that dwells within.

"Mind is the cause of bondage or release to man." The mind can cause you to suffer much, and it can also bring to you eternal joy and bliss. It is the cause of bondage when attracted unduly to the perishable things of the world, but when drawn away from them and directed to the soul, by the soul, it causes liberation, freedom, health, wealth, joy, peace, and happiness. The soul is spiritual, pure, intelligent, and without blemish. Sorrow, ignorance, weakness, disease, impurity, belong to matter not harmoniously organized or moulded, and not to the soul. Therefore, before a man can realize God and become perfect and at one with God, and fully know how to mould, organize, build, or construct matter into beautiful and harmonious forms, he must for a while draw the mind away from worldly environments, and direct it towards God, the All-Father, the Pure Spirit, and the Ultimate Goal of ALL men.

The true worship of God is merely a strong love for all the good we see in the universe, and a strong and persistent desire to know and love

God, and help him in his good work. To be a co-worker and helper with God is the highest aim a man can have, and will lead him onward, forward, and upward to the highest conscious state of being — an eternal state of conscious bliss and perfection. Then the soul is *forever* and eternally blissful and happy, whether in a physical body or out of a material form, for it has realized its oneness with all Spirit of the universe.

Is it any wonder so many souls are now striving for freedom from minds and bodies that have disease, fear, doubt, poverty, and misery, when they know and feel in their heart of hearts there is absolute freedom at hand? Not only absolute freedom but eternal freedom — when they are to be forever and forever liberated and to become joyful and happy. This is what Divine Power and Divine Healing will do for the world. The time is now at hand for every soul to free itself — to forever break the chains and bars of darkness and ignorance. It is the Truth that will free us. The old theology and old church methods will not do it. Instead of subscribing to old dogmas and creeds men are investigating and following the “NEW” way — the Divine way. It is not a “NEW” way, but so called because in the past so few understood it.

Divine Healing and Divine Instruction is now very popular and is growing at a tremendous rate. It will grow and expand until it will in the near future be man's only reliance.

The truths contained in this book can carry any man to God and eternal bliss, if heeded and burned in the soul, mind, and heart.

I have written this book to show a methodical process of freeing the mind from false impressions, and through the soul to direct all its energies towards God, soul, and the spiritual universe first. When this is done we will then understand the true value and control of the mind, and matter as well. Remember the Holy Trinity is the soul — mind — matter; God, universal intelligence, and universal matter.

The obstacles to one's advancement in spiritual growth are: indolence, painful diseases, carelessness, doubtfulness, opposition, inability to direct the mind to an object, lack of faith, sorrows, lack of cheerfulness, desire for sensual pleasures, intolerance, bigotry, lying, and lack of love for all men and animals.

It is always advisable to take treatments from a Divine Healer for any

or all of the above obstacles, as they can readily be removed by Divine Power.

In concluding this book let me say that the Divine Law is contained in the "GOLDEN RULE." Practise this in thought and deed — obey it in everything you do — and happiness, wisdom, power, riches, honor, health, strength, and vigor will be yours.

May the peace and blessings of the All-Father be realized by all is my sincere desire.

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