

THE LIGHT

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life, and John says that life is the light of men, it can only mean that Jesus in some mystical way must be God, come forth into the world to manifest Himself as The Light. That makes it not difficult to realize that Light as being the wondrous truth that Jesus radiated in His life and actions and gave forth in His living words, and which has so penetrated the darkness of men's consciousness during the past 1900 years that His Light has now reached to the uttermost parts of the earth.

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Where did these things come from? Whence come the ideas to the inventor, the ideal pictures to the mind of the artist, the inspiration to the poet, and the ability to express harmony to the musician? Many of these are inspired by mentors on the inner planes of being, you will say. And truly, for every soul has mentors and teachers in the unseen who are ever helping them, when it is possible to get inspiration through to their minds. But back of them are the Higher Selves of every soul, Who in turn inspire and direct these helpers to do all that they do for Their respective souls. But when a soul has evolved spiritually to the stage where the Higher Self descends and takes up His abode within the soul and no longer overshadows it "from above," then the Higher Self becomes the sole inner Teacher, and Authority, and the soul knows this and causes its human mind to become more or less conscious of His Presence and to turn more and more within to Him for guidance and instruction.

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You have been told this before and many of you are able to enter that Consciousness, but now we wish you to realize clearly what takes place when you enter your Higher Self's or the Christ Consciousness. We have called it the Christ Consciousness, and that must mean that in that Consciousness **you** then know **your** Oneness with the Father. In other words, you have entered the Kingdom of Divine Mind and are in the **Father's** Consciousness, where you can tune in, as it were, with anything you need to know — for does not the Father know all things?

But how can you tune in and thus receive anything you need to know? In just the way we described above and which is employed by every inventor, artist, poet,

musician, and every disciple of Christ, whether or not they know the process we shall now describe.

You will remember the experience, while meditating, of forgotten things and those you needed to do flowing into your mind as it grew quiet, and reminding you of them. Just as your mind by being stilled thus releases your consciousness from outer things are the unfinished and needed things of your consciousness likewise released. For in the soul or pure consciousness, as we have shown, everything is perfect and in purest harmony. Therefore, when no longer interfered with by the outer mind, whatever is needed to restore harmony is released and flows into your consciousness.

Likewise if there is anything you need to know and which will restore harmony when known, then all that you need do is to focus your deep interest and attention upon that thing and to hold your consciousness alert, as if it were a funnel into which will be poured the knowledge you seek, **knowing** that by so doing, when impelled by strong desire, you tune in with its vibration and it thus becomes one with your consciousness and will flow instantly to you. With practice, by such concentrated knowing and desiring, you become a powerful attracting magnet which will draw to you all things you need to know and have.

The reason that this results is that all is consciousness — that there is nothing that is not an idea in consciousness, and every idea is naturally a center of consciousness. Ideas differ only in their rates of vibration. Therefore when you tune in to and become harmonized with the vibration of any given idea, you instantly become one with its consciousness and everything you need to know about it will flow from it into your mind.

When you have learned by practice to do this, and it is possible to do it in this particular way only by a disciple, you will find it will come to you as a memory of something recalled from the storehouse of mind; it will come as a flash of illumination, as if a light poured into your mind and enabled you to "see" or remember and again know.

This is entirely different from so-called inspiration, which implies that some other mind inspires or pours thoughts or words into your mind. And it is far different from automatic writing, or definite teachings in actual words given you by invisible helpers. These come from mentors or teachers who are with you to help you just to the extent you make it possible, and you receive this help only when they can give it to you.

The other way you get it is through your own efforts direct from the one source — Divine Mind — of which you know your consciousness is a part and with which it is always connected. So you can always receive from It whatever you need and at any time.

You will note that above we said that this knowledge came from the storehouse of mind — that you remembered and KNEW. How could you know if you had not learned it before? Why of course you know, for are you not a Son of God, Who with all your Brothers provide the consciousness of all men of earth — for are They not responsible for the earth and its humanity — and in Whose consciousness dwells all knowledge pertaining to earth and even of those realms beyond the earth up to and including the Sun, the abode of God, Their Father?

In other words, as a Son of God, God's Consciousness is **your** consciousness as it is your Brothers' consciousness, and all in that Consciousness is always available to you when you are able to connect up with it, as we have shown. Therefore you are **One of Those Who Know**, not one of those who have to be taught or told. Of course, however, you, yourself, must know this. But we have told you, and if something within responds, it is time for you to realize its truth and for you to assume your real nature and to begin to think, speak and act as a **conscious** Son of God.

This brings us back to the Light. For in the consciousness of your real nature, that of a Son of God, you are living in the Light. In that consciousness all is Light, for that consciousness is the Light. It is the Source, the Essence, the Real of all Light. It is God's Consciousness, the **Sun** of all being. In that Consciousness then there is no slightest shadow, for its Light is so powerful and perfect that all God knows is plainly seen, known and is naturally the consciousness of all who are in its Light.

From this you can understand what is the true Light, that Light whose ray is shining in the darkness of every man. For as all is Consciousness and there is only one Consciousness and that Consciousness is the innermost of all human minds, which are but the outermost expressions of that Consciousness, you can now see how that Light is ever shining deep back within every soul, even if the mind never comprehends it.

But what is the occasion for that Consciousness expressing Itself on this dark planet earth in the minds of men? It is because of God's Love for His Sons and for His Son's sons, that they may receive of His Life and may have it abundantly. Therefore He has been pouring the Light of His Love from the beginning through the hearts of His Sons, giving Them the fullness of His Life and Power, so that They in Their turn can so quicken the consciousness of Their sons that the spark of light in their souls

will glow and increase until it permits Them to enter and abide in its light and make of them **living** and **immortal** souls. Gradually, one by one, are They thus quickening and entering the souls of men, and Their Light is spreading over the earth, until it will no longer be known among its sister orbs in the firmament of the heavens as the little red planet, but its light will shine with equal brilliancy with theirs and it will take its place along side of them in the Holy Fraternity of the Celestial Spheres.

And who are these Sons of God, also called Sons of Light and Sons of Mind by those who know? We have told you how in the beginning They came here to redeem the earth, Their own progeny; how under the leadership of Their Great Elder Brother, called The Christ, otherwise The Light, They descended from the Light of the Sun of God's Mind bringing Their Light to quicken the light in the consciousness of every man upon the earth, to stay with these men, Their own children, until their consciousness had been lifted up into the light of Their Consciousness and finally into the Light of Their Father God's Consciousness.

Can you see now how Jesus the Christ, Himself, finally came to earth in His Own Person to shed sufficient of His Light into the **minds** of men that It will remain and be the quickening power ever coming from **without** — as the truth He taught and the example of His Life He brought — to fan the spark of spirit **within** into a flame and thereby cause the souls of men to awaken and listen, to understand and know the voice of the Christ, their Higher Self, when He speaks from within their hearts?

Christ then is God's Holy Spirit, His Divine Love, the Light made manifest upon earth, and now coming into evidence in the hearts and lives of the many men who listen to and follow His leading. He is not only The Light that has shone down through the centuries as Jesus the Christ, and is now shining in all His pristine glory in the soul and higher realms of the Kingdom, but He is The Light that is shining in the heart of every man that has opened his heart to Love. For He is the **Light** of Love, and every man who knows and follows Love, knows our blessed Master Jesus and follows Him and is known and loved by Him.

THE LAW OF HARMONY

In Paper 33, we promised to give definite instructions how to speak effectively to the cells of your body, to your human mind, and to your soul, so that they will always render perfect service and produce for you any desired results.

In that article, we showed you how all consciousness in your body, mind and soul is your consciousness, but it is also God's; and in the article above we showed you how to

tune in to the consciousness of **any other idea** or center of consciousness. Likewise how in your soul or pure consciousness everything is perfect and in purest harmony, and that when you can free your consciousness from all awareness of outer things and can enter that soul consciousness of harmony, all the things causing inharmony would be released in the outer world of mind, and whatever is needed to restore harmony would flow naturally and immediately to you. This is so because it is the law of harmony.

Try to realize that the universe of God's world, with its many celestial and solar systems, operates under this same law of harmony; that should any one factor in the universe be out of harmony, it would disrupt the whole system and produce chaos. This means that you in reality are not out of harmony with it; that you must be doing what you do in accordance with the operation of this immutable law of harmony.

Then what is it that appears so glaringly to you to be inharmony — what about pain, disease, poverty, crime, and unhappiness? Have we not told you that these exist only because of the wrong understanding and the untrue thoughts and feelings man persists in indulging in and in carrying around in his consciousness? They only appear to be out of harmony because of man's ignorance of the law, and his not knowing that what appears is but the law of harmony operating in the keeping of every part of the universe always in perfect balance. If one swerves in his thinking from the perfect harmony of Divine Mind, action immediately and automatically sets up in the human consciousness and causes what seems to be a disturbance of the existing harmony; when in fact it is but a switching or counter-balancing of forces in order to preserve and maintain that harmony. In other words the law of harmony is always exerting pressure to force the consciousness back into its perfect state, and what seems to be inharmony is only the feeling caused by harmony pressing itself back into expression. Study this carefully until you get all of its inner meaning and application.

When you get it, you will see that when man again thinks true thoughts the supposedly inharmonious elements or conditions will instantly and automatically right themselves.

Now let us see how we can apply this law to the freeing of your consciousness of wrong outer things, especially when there is pain, disease, or suffering of any kind.

First you must realize there is only one way, and that is by deliberately and determinedly picturing and seeing in your mind the opposite and the perfection of whatever is causing the pain, disease or suffering. If there is pain or disease in the body, picture perfect health, strength and harmony there. If there is mental suffering

caused by conditions in your home or affairs, picture the opposite of such conditions and see them manifesting perfectly and ideally, and yourself enjoying them to the full.

Yes, you must actually do this — there is no other way to free yourself — to rise out of the untrue consciousness in which you had allowed your interest to become involved.

Remember, you are a soul or **pure** consciousness, and are not your physical body in its imperfect state as your human mind now sees it, and which has no part in your soul consciousness.

But you, who have accompanied us all these months, have long since gained such control of your mind that you can even in pain turn your attention away from it to anything you will. By thus filling your mind with these perfect pictures, you find that two things are accomplished — you counteract the effects of the wrong suggestions instilled into the cell consciousness of that part of your body where is the pain, flooding its consciousness with the light of truth; and you actually retire back into your soul consciousness where only harmony, purity and perfection exist; thereby bringing the consciousness of both the cells of your body and of your mind into the harmony of your soul consciousness.

When through practice you are able to prove this, you will see for yourself how the law of harmony operates; how, when you have brought your mind and its consciousness, which controls the consciousness of the cells of your body, into perfect harmony with your soul consciousness — which remember, you being a disciple, is now one with your Christ Consciousness — all seemingly inharmonious elements and conditions in the outer are released, and there flows into their place harmonious and happy elements, thus restoring all to their proper and natural condition.

No, it will not be easy to prove this — it takes practice and failure to entitle you to enjoy its fruits, which are freedom and self-mastery, and which mean mastery over body, mind and soul. And you must do all that we have indicated; such fruits are not for the weak-minded or the easily discouraged, but only for determined and unconquerable souls.

In order to help, we are glad to give you some further suggestions. For instance, speak from the consciousness inspired by the truth we have declared to the cells of any part of your body in which there is pain or inharmony, as follows:

"Listen, my children! You are centers of my consciousness — not of that of my mortal mind, but of my soul consciousness. My soul is the outer reflection of God's

Consciousness, even as you are the outer reflection of my consciousness. This makes your consciousness a part of mine, and mine a part of God's, and means that your consciousness is actually God's consciousness.

Now think! **We** see and know you as perfect — just as He created you in the beginning — in His image and likeness. So **know** that you are **not** as my mind has wrongly believed and held you to be in the past — weak, sick or in pain; but you are strong and healthy and are functioning always in perfect harmony.

Know the truth, my children, and be FREE! Free from all sense of separateness and error forever."

Speaking these words of truth with positiveness and in the **knowing** of their truth will surely bring harmony to the cell consciousness that before recognized and reported pain; because through the power of pure truth its consciousness has been lifted up to your consciousness which dwells in the light of truth. And just as long as the cell consciousness is not dragged down again by your mind's memory of that pain or even the thought of it, there will be harmony in that part of the body.

MIND KNOWING AND SOUL KNOWING

This brings us to the consideration of a very important factor in the "knowing of truth."

Have you grasped as yet the real purpose why we have tried so hard to explain and to reason out all these inner truths step by step to you, so that you are now accepting them as spiritual FACTS?

It is in order that your **mind**, which means **its consciousness**, will accept them. When it actually accepts and fully understands, they become a part of **its** consciousness, and sink into its sub-consciousness, where they automatically come forth for **use** whenever needed.

You will remember, as a Son of God, you already know these truths in your **soul** consciousness, but through these Papers you have been unfolding them to your mortal mind — and for no other purpose than for their **use** by your human personality, or that **you** can use them **through it;** for not until there has been brought about a union of its understanding with yours of course it would hinder and limit their use.

Therefore what you as a Son of God have been doing from the beginning has been to bring the consciousness of your human mind into oneness with your consciousness, by teaching it through life's lessons the truth of its being — that it is not separate or different, weak, poor, sick, limited or lacking in any way, but that there is only one consciousness, one self, one life — yours, which is one with your Father-God's in Heaven. We have been helping by teaching and impressing these truths upon your mind ever since you came with us.

Now let us see if we can tell you why the necessity of so teaching your **human mind**, when you know its truth in your soul. Can you not now see that all that is **without** exists only in the mortal mind's consciousness as picture-beliefs in their reality, and as they thus appear are not at all in your soul consciousness — where everything is ideal, all good and all perfect? Then is it not absolutely necessary to cleanse your mind of all these untrue beliefs and replace them with the truths we have been so insistently pointing out to you, before it can come into your consciousness and see and know as you know?

All its life your human reflection has believed in and has been fed upon error, until it has become completely involved in a false consciousness which it has thought to be real. All this error must be dug up and cast out and the mind utterly freed from its demoralizing and stultifying influence. You can get nowhere while any of it remains a part of its consciousness. Until fully cleansed it is wholly impossible to accomplish the real work you came here to do. So you have been little by little freeing the mind from these untruths until now, with the help of these teachings, it has come to a realization of its being but a reflection, a part of your divine Consciousness, and it is willing to give up and let You take complete charge and do Your will in and through it.

Yes, it is willing to give up, even eager to do it. But it finds it cannot do it easily. Yet it sees that it **must** do it. And now listen, for here is the vital part of this message:

Not until the mind not only does give up, but deliberately and consciously applies these truths here in the outer life, in all its thinking, speaking and acting, cleanses its consciousness of all error and turns its attention wholly to you within, seeing and knowing only the truth of its oneness with You, with Christ and with God, — can it be freed from its sense of separation, enter the kingdom and receive of its divine heritage.

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But how can you tune in and thus receive anything you need to know? In just the way we described above and which is employed by every inventor, artist, poet, musician, and every disciple of Christ, whether or not they know the process we shall now describe.

You will remember the experience, while meditating, of forgotten things and those you needed to do flowing into your mind as it grew quiet, and reminding you of them. Just as your mind by being stilled thus releases your consciousness from outer things are the unfinished and needed things of your consciousness likewise released. For in the soul or pure consciousness, as we have shown, everything is perfect and in purest harmony. Therefore, when no longer interfered with by the outer mind, whatever is needed to restore harmony is released and flows into your consciousness.

Likewise if there is anything you need to know and which will restore harmony when known, then all that you need do is to focus your deep interest and attention upon that thing and to hold your consciousness alert, as if it were a funnel into which will be poured the knowledge you seek, knowing that by so doing, when impelled by strong desire, you tune in with its vibration and it thus becomes one with your consciousness and will flow instantly to you. With practice, by such concentrated knowing and desiring, you become a powerful attracting magnet which will draw to you all things you need to know and have.

The reason that this results is that all is consciousness—that there is nothing that is not an idea in consciousness, and every idea is naturally a center of consciousness. Ideas differ only in their rates of vibration. Therefore when you tune in to and become harmonized with the vibration of any given idea, you instantly become one with its consciousness and everything you need to know about it will flow from it into your mind.

When you have learned by practice to do this, and it is possible to do it in this particular way only by a disciple, you will find it will come to you as a memory of something recalled from the storehouse of mind; it will come as a flash of illumination, as if a light poured into your mind and anabled you to "see" or remember and again know.

This is entirely different from so-called inspiration, which implies that some other mind inspires or pours thoughts or words into your mind. And it is far different from automatic writing, or definite teachings in actual words given you by invisible helpers. These come from mentors or teachers who are with you to help you just to the extent you make it possible, and you receive this help only when they can give it to you.

The other way you get it through your own efforts direct from the one source—Divine Mind—of which you know your consciousness is a part and with which it is always connected. So you can always receive from It whatever you need and at any time.

You will note that above we said that this knowledge came from the storehouse of mind—that you remembered and KNEW. How could you know if you had not learned it before? Why of course you know, for are you not a Son of God, Who with all your Brothers provide the consciousness of all men of earth—for are They not responsible for the earth and its humanity—and in Whose consciousness dwells all knowledge pertaining to earth and even of those realms beyond the earth up to and including the Sun, the abode of God, Their Father?

In other words, as a Son of God, God's Consciousness is your consciousness as it is your Brothers' consciousness, and all in that Consciousness is always available to you when you are able to connect up with it, as we have shown. Therefore you are One of Those Who Know, not one of those who have to be taught or told. Of course, however, you, yourself, must know this. But we

have told you, and if something within responds, it is time for you to realize its truth and for you to assume your real nature and to begin to think, speak and act as a conscious Son of God.

This brings us back to the Light. For in the consciousness of your real nature, that of a Son of God, you are living in the Light. In that consciousness all is Light, for that consciousness is the Light. It is the Source, the Essence, the Real of all Light. It is God's Consciousness, the Sun of all being. In that Consciousness then there is no slightest shadow, for its Light is so powerful and perfect that all God knows is plainly seen, known and is naturally the consciousness of all who are in its Light.

From this you can understand what is the true Light, that Light whose ray is shining in the darkness of every man. For as all is Consciousness and there is only one Consciousness and that Consciousness is the innermost of all human minds, which are but the outermost expressions of that Consciousness, you can now see how that Light is ever shining deep back within every soul, even if the mind never comprehends it.

But what is the occasion for that Consciousness expressing Itself on this dark planet earth in the minds of men? It is because of God's Love for His Sons and for His Son's sons, that they may receive of His Life and may have it abundantly. Therefore He has been pouring the Light of His Love from the beginning through the hearts of His Sons, giving Them the fullness of His Life and Power, so that They in Their turn can so quicken the consciousness of Their sons that the spark of light in their souls will glow and increase until it permits Them to enter and abide in its light and make of them living and immortal souls. Gradually, one by one, are They thus quickening and entering the souls of men, and Their Light is spreading over the earth, until it will no longer be known among its sister orbs in the firmanent of the heavens as the little red planet, but its light will shine with equal brilliancy with theirs and it will take its place along side of them in the Holy Fraternity of the Celestial Spheres.

And who are these Sons of God, also called Sons of Light and Sons of Mind by those who know? We have told you how in the beginning They came here to redeem the earth, Their own progeny; how under the leadership of Their Great Elder Brother, called The Christ, otherwise The Light, They descended from the Light of the Sun of God's Mind, bringing Their Light to quicken the light in the consciousness of every man upon the earth, to stay with these men, Their own children, until their consciousness had been lifted up into the light of Their Consciousness and finally into the Light of Their Father God's Consciousness.

Can you see now how Jesus the Christ, Himself, finally came to earth in His Own Person to shed sufficient of His Light into the minds of men that It will remain and be the quickening power ever coming from without—as the truth He taught and the example of His Life He brought—to fan the spark of spirit within into a flame and thereby cause the souls of men to awaken and listen, to understand and know the voice of the Christ, their Higher Self, when He speaks from within their hearts?

Christ then is God's Holy Spirit, His Divine Love, the Light made manifest upon earth, and now coming into evidence in the hearts and lives of the many men who listen to and follow His leading. He is not only The Light that has shone down through the centuries as Jesus the Christ, and is now shining in all His pristine glory in the soul and higher realms of the Kingdom, but He is

The Light that is shining in the heart of every man that has opened his heart to Love. For He is the Light of Love, and every man who knows and follows Love, knows our blessed Master Jesus and follows Him and is known and loved by Him.

THE LAW OF HARMONY

In Paper 33, we promised to give definite instructions how to speak effectively to the cells of your body, to your human mind, and to your soul, so that they will always render perfect service and produce for you any desired results.

In that article, we showed you how all consciousness in your body, mind and soul is your consciousness, but it is also God's; and in the article above we showed you how to tune in to the consciousness of any other idea or center of consciousness. Likewise how in your soul or pure consciousness everything is perfect and in purest harmony, and that when you can free your consciousness from all awareness of outer things and can enter that soul consciousness of harmony, all the things causing inharmony would be released in the outer world of mind, and whatever is needed to restore harmony would flow naturally and immediately to you. This is so because it is the law of harmony.

Try to realize that the universe of God's world, with its many celestial and solar systems, operates under this same law of harmony; that should any one factor in the universe be out of harmony, it would disrupt the whole system and produce chaos. This means that you in reality are not out of harmony with it; that you must be doing what you do in accordance with the operation of this immutable law of harmony.

Then what is it that appears so glaringly to you to be inharmony—what about pain, disease, poverty, crime, and unhappiness? Have we not told you that these exist only because of the wrong understanding and the untrue thoughts and feelings man persists in indulging in and in carrying around in his consciousness? They only appear to be out of harmony because of man's ignorance of the law, and his not knowing that what appears is but the law of harmony operating in the keeping of every part of the universe always in perfect balance. If one swerves in his thinking from the perfect harmony of Divine Mind, action immediately and automatically sets up in the human consciousness and causes what seems to be a disturbance of the existing harmony; when in fact it is but a switching or counter-balancing of forces in order to preserve and maintain that harmony. In other words the law of harmony is always exerting pressure to force the consciousness back into its perfect state, and what seems to be inharmony is only the feeling caused by harmony pressing itself back into expression. Study this carefully until you get all of its inner meaning and application.

When you get it, you will see that when man again thinks true thoughts the supposedly inharmonious elements or conditions will instantly and automatically right themselves.

Now let us see how we can apply this law to the freeing of your consciousness of wrong outer things, especially when there is pain, disease, or suffering of any kind.

First you must realize there is only one way, and that is by deliberately and determinedly picturing and seeing in your mind the opposite and the perfection of whatever is causing the pain, disease or suffering. If there is pain or disease in the body, picture perfect health, strength and harmony there. If there is mental suffering caused by conditions in your home or affairs, picture

the opposite of such conditions and see them manifesting perfectly and ideally, and yourself enjoying them to the full.

Yes, you must actually do this—there is no other way to free yourself—to rise out of the untrue consciousness in which you had allowed your interest to become involved.

Remember, you are a soul or pure consciousness, and are not your physical body in its imperfect state as your human mind now sees it, and which has no part in your soul consciousness.

But you, who have accompanied us all these months, have long since gained such control of your mind that you can even in pain turn your attention away from it to anything you will. By thus filling your mind with these perfect pictures, you find that two things are accomplished—you counteract the effects of the wrong suggestions instilled into the cell consciousness of that part of your body where is the pain, flooding its consciousness with the light of truth; and you actually retire back into your soul consciousness where only harmony, purity and perfection exist; thereby bringing the consciousness of both the cells of your body and of your mind into the harmony of your soul consciousness.

When through practice you are able to prove this, you will see for yourself how the law of harmony operates; how, when you have brought your mind and its consciousness, which controls the consciousness of the cells of your body, into perfect harmony with your soul consciousness—which remember, you being a disciple, is now one with your Christ Consciousness—all seemingly inharmonious elements and conditions in the outer are released, and there flows into their place harmonious and happy elements, thus restoring all to their proper and natural condition.

No, it will not be easy to prove this—it takes practice and failure to entitle you to enjoy its fruits, which are freedom and self-mastery, and which mean mastery over body, mind and soul. And you must do all that we have indicated; such fruits are not for the weak-minded or the easily discouraged, but only for determined and unconquerable souls.

In order to help, we are glad to give you some further suggestions. For instance, speak from the consciousness inspired by the truth we have declared to the cells of any part of your body in which there is pain or inharmony, as follows:

"Listen, my children! You are centers of my consciousness—not of that of my mortal mind, but of my soul consciousness. My soul is the outer reflection of God's Consciousness, even as you are the outer reflection of my consciousness. This makes your consciousness a part of mine, and mine a part of God's, and means that your consciousness is actually God's consciousness.

"Now think! We see and know you as perfect—just as He created you in the beginning—in His image and likeness. So know that you are not as my mind has wrongly believed and held you to be in the past—weak, sick or in pain; but you are strong and healthy and are functioning always in perfect harmony.

"Know the truth, my children, and be FREE! Free from all sense of separateness and error forever."

Speaking these words of truth with positiveness and in the knowing of their truth will surely bring harmony to the cell consciousness that before recognized and reported pain; because through the power of pure truth its consciousness has been lifted up to your consciousness which dwells in the light of truth. And just as long as the cell consciousness is not dragged down again by your

mind's memory of that pain or even the thought of it, there will be harmony in that part of the body.

MIND KNOWING AND SOUL KNOWING

This brings us to the consideration of a very important factor in the "knowing of truth."

Have you grasped as yet the real purpose why we have tried so hard to explain and to reason out all these inner truths step by step to you, so that you are now accepting them as spiritual FACTS?

It is in order that your mind, which means its consciousness, will accept them. When it actually accepts and fully understands, they become a part of its consciousness, and sink into its sub-consciousness, where they automatically come forth for use whenever needed.

You will remember, as a Son of God, you already know these truths in your soul consciousness, but through these Papers you have been unfolding them to your mortal mind—and for no other purpose than for their use by your human personality, or that you can use them through it; for not until there has been brought about a union of its understanding with yours of course it would hinder and limit their use.

Therefore what you as a Son of God have been doing from the beginning has been to bring the consciousness of your human mind into oneness with your consciousness, by teaching it through life's lessons the truth of its being—that it is not separate or different, weak, poor, sick, limited or lacking in any way, but that there is only one consciousness, one self, one life—yours, which is one with your Father God's in Heaven. We have been helping by teaching and impressing these truths upon your mind ever since you came with us.

Now let us see if we can tell you why the necessity of so teaching your human mind, when you know its truth in your soul. Can you not now see that all that is without exists only in the mortal mind's consciousness as picture beliefs in their reality, and as they thus appear are not at all in your soul consciousness—where everything is ideal, all good and all perfect? Then is it not absolutely necessary to cleanse your mind of all these untrue beliefs and replace them with the truths we have been so insistently pointing out to you, before it can come into your consciousness and see and know as you know?

All its life your human reflection has believed in and has been fed upon error, until it has become completely involved in a false consciousness which it has thought to be real. All this error must be dug up and cast out and the mind utterly freed from its demoralizing and stultifying influence. You can get nowhere while any of it remains a part of its consciousness. Until fully cleansed it is wholly impossible to accomplish the real work you came here to do. So you have been little by little freeing the mind from these untruths until now, with the help of these teachings, it has come to a realization of its being but a reflection, a part of your divine Consciousness, and it is willing to give up and let You take complete charge and do Your will in and through it.

Yes, it is willing to give up, even eager to do it. But it finds it cannot do it easily. Yet it sees that it must do it. And now listen, for here is the vital part of this message:

Not until the mind not only does give up, but deliberately and consciously applies these truths here in the outer life, in all its thinking, speaking and acting, cleanses its consciousness of all error and turns its attention wholly to you within, seeing and knowing only the truth of its oneness with You, with Christ and with God,—can it be freed from its sense of separation, enter the kingdom and receive of its divine heritage.