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### Lecture No. 7

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### “MOSES REVEALS THE UNIVERSAL SPIRIT OF GOD”

The Solomon recorded in the Scriptures is 900 B.C., but the wise Solomon was before Moses, and according to the ancient Hebrew calendar this Solomon existed about 3,500 B.C. Moses existed about 2,000 B.C. Therefore Moses came about 1,500 years after Solomon. It was this Solomon who brought to Egypt all the ancient truths which the Egyptians knew and understood, known as the secrets of Osiris.

The ancient Wisdom of Solomon was revealed in the building of the Temple of Solomon.

Moses was trained in the inner knowledge, and also in statecraft, after his initiation into the Secrets of the Solomon Temple, which held the secrets of Osiris.

Moses became a Minister of State to the Hebraic Pharaoh, but after the death of this Hebraic King another ascended who was an usurper and Moses opposed his ascension to the throne because this Pharaoh was not of the Amen Brotherhood. From this time onwards Egypt went down and fast became degenerate. It had departed from the truth that Solomon taught and many of the Hebrews followed the irreligious practice of worshipping idols.

Moses then, to preserve the Divine Truth, led the Israelites out of Egypt.

Moses' instructions to the peoples were, in Exodus 20:2.34. —

God spoke all these words, “I am the Eternal, your God, who brought you from the land of Egypt, that slave-pen.

“You shall have no gods but me.

“You shall not carve any idols for yourselves, the shape of anything in heaven above or on the earth below or in the sea; you shall not bow down to them nor worship them, for I the Eternal, your God, am a jealous God . . .”

Here we see clearly what Moses knew and taught, that there was only one God, and that was the Eternal, and if we worship anything else, we do so at our own risk because of the creative power within us. If we put our faith upon an outside image we destroy the only power we have, of God within, "Thou shalt not have an image before me."

There were certain symbols at that time which were revered, such as the Golden Calf of Aaron, but this represented the period of prosperity when lands were ploughed and seeds were sown. It was Aaron the High Priest who, being a great Astrologer, invented the symbols for each month of the year which are still used on the Zodiac.

This was known to the initiated as the perfect magic of God. Much of this great knowledge has been lost to the world, yet the secret that was taken by Moses is carried down the ages and then Jesus came, he said, "I have not come to destroy the Law of Moses the Prophet, but to fulfil the Law." Thus he showed that this Universal God was individualized in man.

Therefore Moses was the great man who preserved for us the ancient wisdom which he learned in Egypt, and if it were not for him this wisdom would have been lost to the world in the external consciousness of man, which was sinking into darkness through the degraded evils of idolatry.

Egypt, which was the land of Spiritual Light, was sinking into darkness, so Moses decided to lead the Israelites out of the darkness into the Light. This was no easy task, for these people had been taught to worship idols by priests who knew less than themselves.

The external consciousness of man is ever ready to fall into the error of worshipping something that it can see, so symbols became idols. Only the Spiritual Consciousness can utilize the symbol in its representative form without worshipping it. This requires a deep understanding, to rise to the Reality of the abstract, and not descend to the error of worshipping the formation of atoms that are in themselves but a creation of the abstract, thus forming in the mind a personal God to save us from our troubles and trials, sickness and death.

The enlightened mind sees that this is impossible and this is verified by the words of the Master himself who says, "He that believeth on me and Him that sent me shall find for himself the Light of Life." Another translation says, "He that believes on me and Him that sent me has already passed across from death to Life."

Our present day religions are full of idolatry; most worship in the manner of the idols of the dark ages.

The external consciousness will forever be the soil in which idols are erected for worship. The enlightened consciousness can grasp the reality of the abstract and the unreality of the form, and it was this that Moses and Jesus, the two great prophets, taught and demonstrated. It is this truth that must be carried down the ages. It is you who must realize it; you are the people of God who must understand it.

The churches today are preaching a God that is relative, a God outside themselves, but the "Real" God lives in us all and has the power to produce Himself in the form of a human being. "Thus when you have seen me you have seen the Father," "Yet I of myself am nothing," "It is the Father who remaineth forever in me is performing His own deeds." These words I have put to you in this way so that you can truly understand the great truth of the only "One."

History is repeating itself; as Solomon, Moses and Jesus came at periods so as to light the consciousness of man in a period of degeneration, hence the same is today in your midst. It is this inner philosophy of soul-culture, through knowing the Truth, that sets you all free.

You will note that the circumstances in which these great prophets found themselves were different. The unfoldment of the intellect is greater. The science of the ages is unfolding, and the science of the world today is far in advance of the scientific knowledge known at each of the previous periods. So must the Spiritual understanding be even more unfolded, to balance the progress of mankind on earth.

These lectures will eventually be published in book form as others have already been done. Although extremely popular throughout the world with those who have advanced to understand the hidden mystery of Life, yet the time will come when millions will be read instead of thousands.

It is not so much the history of the prophets that we are dealing with but with the teaching of the Truth that they knew.

The same Truth is carried down the ages, for in Ecclesiastics 1:9, 10, we read, "What has been is what shall be, what has gone on is what shall go on, and there is nothing new under the sun. Men may say of something, 'Ah, this is new!', but it existed long ago before our time. The men of that old time are now forgotten, as men to come shall be forgotten by the folk who follow them. (But truth shall flourish forever.)"

It is only by the unfolding of the Truth that we can enter into the greatness of what we are. We must first of all realize this Truth, that we are made in the image and likeness of God, reproducing in

individuality the same Universal Mind Consciousness which is the origin of all things, and thus reproducing also its Creative process of thought. If we are ignorant of this Truth we bring upon ourselves all sorts of trouble and limitation.

Our growth is founded upon the Law inherent within ourselves which acts uniformly, making no exception in favour of anyone. In James we read, that God gives to all without question or reproach, but that he must ask in faith with never a doubt.

This is the Trinity of the Law of God which is revealed throughout all creation:

1. In the creation of the Universe the Mighty Intelligence, in the process of creation involving Itself in Its creation, firmly establishes Its inherent law which makes it immovable, unchangeable and it cannot be affected in any way by either angel or man;

2. That this Intelligence that created the Universe will respond to man's creative thought in creating for him in his own world good or bad according to what he thinks. This is man's Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.

3. The final aspect of the Law is that the Love of God is supreme and when man realizes his true sonship, as the prodigal son did, and becomes one with the "One" Infinite Life, all that is not in harmony with his true self is wiped away, and he stands as he is, *free*, made in the image and likeness of God.

Like the prodigal son, he feasts at the Father's table and we are shown by the Master's words about the elder brother, "That all that I have is thine." All that is God's is ours, but this we must first realize before it becomes a fact to us.

What the great Spiritual leaders worked for was to impart the understanding of the Law to those who would listen, and this work applied to Solomon, Moses, and Jesus the Master. These prophets have not left the world but are close at hand, to further proclaim the truth by inspiration through those who have been chosen for this work.

Generation after generation, the Law is still further revealed; as the progress of humanity rolls on, so is the truth revealed according to the intelligence of the people. And it was this that the Master had in mind when he said, "The things I do, greater things shall ye do, if you will but believe."

The method of training was such in the first place as to lead mankind into the ignorant obedience of the Law. For it would have been impossible for the unlightened mind of early man to grasp the real relation of things; such explanation would be worse than

useless. Hence came the whole system of the Mosaic Law.

There are today many unable to comprehend the Truth. The great masses are still ignorant of the inherent Law within mankind, so the revealing of the Truth is still in its infancy.

The experience of one generation after another reveals the growth of understanding. The great hindrance to man's freedom is orthodoxy; this is the serpent that wounds the heel of the seed of Truth — that holds it back.

But as Truth must become the victor, it shall crush the serpent's head so that it shall never rise up again.

Truth must and will conquer, for humanity is God's own Life manifesting in this world, and as It unfolds so does the Wisdom, Love and Power express It in their true aspects, to make the new heaven and the new earth that we are told of in Revelations.

Now we see then that all is the Divine Plan. Moses came as the forerunner to lay the foundation for the people of God, and we will see how he gathered the tribes of Israel together so that the great Truth would never be lost, and makes it possible to be ours today.

"The Lord is with you while he be with Him and if ye seek Him He will be found of you." 2 Chron. 15.2.



*Pure religion and undefiled before God . . . and to keep himself unspotted from the world. — James 1:27.*

I KEEP MY MIND SINGLE TO THE GOOD AND GROW IN THE AWARENESS OF GOD AS OMNISCIENCE, OMNIPOTENCE AND OMNIPRESENCE.

The purest form of religion is consistently to practise the Presence of God, for then nothing of a material or negative nature invades the consciousness causing it to develop false values.

Of course we want to believe that there is only God, but all too often we are beguiled into accepting the lies of separation as reality. Then it is that we become 'spotted' by conditions and circumstances.

The most practical way of keeping oneself unaffected by what appears to be going on all around is by maintaining that precious contact with the Presence that pervades, constitutes, occupies and vitalizes all space and substance. The more fully aware one is of this living, loving Reality, the less one reacts to illusion; and the more consistently and gratefully one continues, the more the wonders of this world are revealed.

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### “THE MISSION OF MOSES”

We have seen in our last lecture that Moses came as the forerunner to bring into operation the foundation of the people of God.

From the desert he gathered together the tribes of Israel, all the people he could rely upon as a foundation to carry the Truth down through the ages, so that the Truth could never be lost.

The tribes of Israel had existed for thousands of years and were known as the Shepherd people. From this people all the prophets came; King David and Jesus came from the same people.

Although the masses of the tribes did not understand the inner truths, the prophets did, and this knowledge was handed down through the ages from one prophet to another by spiritual communication, and this is the ancient wisdom.

It was the Shepherd people who built the Temple under Solomon's direction. It was the same people that built the great Pyramids of Egypt, which include in their precincts the ancient Law, Divinely given, for the purpose of enlightening the world of the inner truth as the centuries roll by.

The all-pervading Truth throughout the Bible is the Divine Unity as the foundation on which everything rests. So there can be nothing else but Spirit. So we must go beyond religious beliefs that separate mankind and clearly see what Moses taught and what Jesus taught is identical in nature.

Beliefs and creeds were made by those who worshipped the

prophets. But Moses made it clear that there must be no worship of any kind except that of the Eternal God, the only "One," and this is still the salvation of the race.

It is the Tree of Life that we must take hold of and not symbols created by the mind of man.

Whatever name we give the First Cause, God, the Eternal, it is always the "One" self-existing and self-transforming Power of which everything is some mode of manifestation, simply because there is no other source from which anything could come, *so the great truth of the mission of Moses was the "Oneness" of everything, and to worship no idol, no image, no man, but the Eternal alone.*

"The Father and I are one" reveals the mighty truth of the Infinite Spirit individualized in man. Yet today man is still in bondage because he does not comprehend this Truth. He accepts a lot of jargon which is meaningless, just as the ignorant masses of long ago accepted; so they worshipped something they did not know. The same is with the masses today.

When we become aware of the truth of the prophets and realize that we are not separate in any way, we consciously act upon this truth, we create for ourselves what we want and not what we do not want. By our own Divine power we prove ourselves to be the children of God, and only through the recognition of the unity of God as "one Being" and not separate beings, can this be done.

Therefore the mission of Moses was to reveal the "One" in "All" and the "All" in "One." "I am the Lord thy God — I am the God of your forefathers."

The mission of Moses starts with the phenomenon of the Burning Bush, Exodus III. The Angel of the Eternal appeared to him (Moses) in a flame of fire rising out of the thorn bush. When he looked there was the thorn bush ablaze with fire, yet not consumed. God called to him out of the thorn bush, saying, "Moses I am the God of your Father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob."

The allegory is very plain. The Bush represents the form which the fire or Life permeates, the form through which the Life is expressing Itself, and within the bush God speaks. It

is easy to read the meaning. The bush is the man; the fire, the Life Intelligence in action which produces the form; and the Voice the consciousness within — the "*I am*" speaking.

Now note what the Voice says, "*I am*' the God of your Father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob," showing that it is the one Lord that is in all and there could be no other.

Abraham is represented as the Father, and means the Spirit manifesting in man.

Isaac represents the breath or soul-life in action; the same Life of the Father is in the Son.

Jacob means the body, the instrument of toil, but lives only because of the Life that permeates it.

Here we see the great wisdom of Moses. The Life is the only Reality, being the Creator of both soul and body. Spirit, Soul and body are one and must be so, for there is nowhere outside God from whence anything could come.

The Voice is always the expression of the Spirit, "My Word shall not return unto me void but will accomplish that which it is sent forth to do."

The sacred power of the spoken word has always been hidden from the masses. Even Moses did not reveal it to his people although he used it himself.

Here is the sacred Word, "*I am*" the Life, that is why Jesus said "*I am*' before Abraham."

The "*I am*" alone can speak the Word, yet the Word is on everyone's lips, but they know it not. But note what God says to Moses: "*I am*' shall be my name for all time." This brings to us the clear understanding of the power man has over all things, but not until he understands this truth can he use the Word that was with God, that Word that is God, and that same Word has been made flesh.

The Consciousness is in Life — that is your real self, who can speak the word even unto your soul and body and they shall obey.

The rod of Moses represents the physical when seen as the physical, but when seen as the Life it turns into the serpent which is represented as the Life in the body, showing again that the body has no existence apart from Life.



The feats performed by fanatics are the ignorant expression of this one Law; walking through fire, drinking deadly poison, passing a sword through the heart, etc. This is the subjective being reflected upon the objective, for the Law, acted upon ignorantly or knowingly, responds.

The subjective will always be reflected upon the objective, and whatever the subjective believes so shall the objective reflect. It is the simple Law inherent in our being and has been proved by hypnosis repeatedly. The great power of man is to be able to use this power consciously.

But first he must understand the senses and what they represent, for they are always suggesting to the subjective what is not true. This must be mastered first, then the power to overcome all things becomes evident.

Many of the conditions that exist in your body and circumstances are because you believe they do exist as a reality. But Life is not affected by these things, yet within Life is the consciousness that creates these conditions because we are ignorant of the Law of Creation.

When this is not understood you are a slave to your subjective mind. This means that the ideas you create, like seeds you plant in the ground, are sure to show growth sooner or later.

In Genesis, it says God formed man in His own image and likeness. In the likeness of God He formed him with power and dominion over all things. This means exactly what it says, that we are like unto God, having dominion over all things; but few know it. Even those who do know it can hardly believe it to be true, so it is a matter of growth; like the mustard seed it is very small, the smallest of all seeds, yet it grows to be the largest of all bushes. Jesus said, "All power has been given unto me in heaven and on earth."

So Moses got instructions to go to the children of Israel and to proclaim unto them what God said to him, "I am that I am, and this shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, *I am*' hath sent me unto you." Now Jesus says in similar words, "The Father who sent me . . ."

Moses has to tell the Israelites that God said: "The Eternal, the God of their Fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of

Isaac, the God of Jacob has sent you. This is My name for all time; this is My title for all ages."

This shows distinctly that the same God of the prophets whom they revered was also their God, and would be for all time, for all ages. No matter who came after them, it was the same God. This reveals the great significance of the words of the Master, "I am before Abraham."

This is the announcement of Being in the Absolute, in that first originating plane of pure Spirit where the material form does not yet exist, therefore must be eternal and not a sequence in time, showing that the only possible mode of Being is the "consciousness of Self-existence," without limitation of either time or space.

The realization of the Universal *Here* and the everlasting *Now*. The concentration of "All" into point and the expansion of "point" into All. There is but "One," and that is God Eternal. To make it more effective I will repeat the Master's words, "I and the Father are One." This is the announcement of Being in the Absolute, pure Spirit, "I am." "*I am*" is the Creative word that was in the beginning and is the same now in man.

I will detail it more easily for you thus:

"*I am*" the Cause behind all things.

"*I am*" everywhere; there is nowhere where "*I am*" not.

"*I am*" not limited, in differentiation, but as "*I am*," undifferentiated.

"*I am*" perfect freedom with power and dominion over all things.

This is the foundation of our Spiritual existence which is not changed or affected by our physical existence, except that we believe that we are born of the flesh. Jesus says again, "Call no man your father on earth, for one is your Father Who is in heaven."

We limit ourselves only by our beliefs; what we believe to be true becomes true to us. But when you think properly you will realize that there can be no limitation to Life or consciousness, therefore no limit to thought, for thought is the expression of consciousness that takes form. As God has created us in His likeness we cannot destroy that which is

within us, but we can limit the use of this power by our ignorance of it.

*"I am"* Consciousness is the Creator, thought is its product, and mind is the vehicle of expression or the soil in which the seed grows.

"All" has no boundary and point is everywhere in All, therefore All is in point; as point grows into the "All" so does the "All" reflect Itself through point. Point is the "I am" in you and me, and "All" is behind point; thus we grow into "awareness" through understanding.

We see that God has worked in wondrous ways, revealing Himself through the prophets He created for this purpose; *for this they were born.*

"Scarlet your sins may be, but they can become white as snow; they may be red as crimson, and yet turn white as wool." Isaiah 1.18.

*He shall prepare the way. — Mal. 3:1.*

GOD, MY FATHER, WORKS THROUGH ALL MY  
EXPERIENCE FOR MY HIGHEST GOOD.

Many of us, when difficulties press down upon us, look to the time — possibly in the near future — when God shall intervene and put things right for us; but what He, as we think of it, *will* do for us is already done. It is we who have, in trust, to enter into it. The fields are always white unto harvest, but only those who understand this can reap the grain.

We all have different ways to follow, but none of us is ever alone on any of them. God is *with* us, *AS* us, for we are Himself in expression walking along the road of unfoldment or Path of Truth upon which we develop mentally, emotionally, physically and also materially. We must never think — as certain religionists do — of the material side of life as being something apart from God, an inferior state which is no concern of His. We are *HERE* on this visible, tangible plane in accordance with His will and purpose for us, and our experiences in this environment are the lessons we have to learn before we can form any concept of at-onement with our Maker. (*School of Truth*)

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### "HE THAT FOLLOWS ME SHALL NEVER KNOW DARKNESS"

The Truth that the Prophets Abraham, Solomon, Moses and Jesus knew must eventually become the property of the race.

The Prophets were oracles trained to translate the secrets of the heavens, from the Spiritual source, to become the salvation of the race.

It has always been thus since ancient times when the great oracles were the guiding stars of the masses, yet much of this knowledge had been submerged in idolatry. So in the days of ancient Egypt the people had to be educated up to the great Truth, and the masses today have not advanced very far in this education yet, because of the ignorance of those who lead them. Jesus said, "The blind lead the blind and they all fall into the ditch."

Moses saw the great Truth as the only power which must expand throughout humanity to liberate the world. He realized that his mission was to set his people free by educating them gradually into the true knowledge of the Divine Name, so that they might gain a true understanding of the Law of their own Being.

Moses also saw the possibility of the complete destruction of civilization and the loss of the great Truth. Yet he also saw that through the understanding of the Truth humanity could be liberated from all limitation, misery, disease and want.

Modern research has shown us that this great fundamental Truth was not confined to Egypt but formed the ultimate centre of all religions of antiquity. It was the secret in which the highest mysteries culminated. It was the ultimate conclusion of the great sages and wise men of their age. Unfortunately creeds and dogmas have sprung up from the worship of sages, instead of translating their instruction into daily action.

The great difficulty with the masses today is that they have not got a true understanding of things as they really are; they live in the illusion

that matter and mind are two separate things. Consequently, they are ever trying to solve their difficulties through the physical, while ignorant of the fact that mind and matter, or Spiritual substance and physical substance, are ingredients of one single system.

When you begin to realize that this Truth is not a mere figure of speech, nor a product of the imagination, but a living Reality, you will no longer cling to the dualism that has haunted philosophy throughout the last few centuries.

We have been philosophising for centuries on the teaching of the prophets but have failed to grasp the great Truth they taught, of the materializing power of our thought action.

It is only through the understanding acquired through the teaching of the prophets Abraham, Solomon, Moses and Jesus that we can grasp the magnificent Truth as it dawns upon us, and what this means to us here and now. We are utterly spellbound by the action of its overwhelming force in our lives.

The mistaken dualism of mind and matter has confused so many Truth students and mental scientists that they try to prove that matter does not exist at all, that it is just an illusion of the mind.

We know that the senses do not know what matter is, neither does the mind know what mind is, nor does the consciousness know what it is; yet when the truth is known of the one Creative Power inherent in mankind, we know that healing can never be accomplished by denying matter or by argument, trying to prove that it does not exist, or the condition that appears in it does not exist.

We gain that degree of understanding to realize that conditions are the result of our own reactions, and when they appear they are supported by our belief in them, thus supporting the phenomenon we ourselves produce.

Blind argument may give temporary relief but it can never give us true healing. This can only be obtained through the understanding of the fundamental truth that we can, consciously or unconsciously, act upon this substance we call matter, knowing that we have been given dominion over all things. This remains a fundamental truth that can be proved by anyone who applies the Law explained to us by these prophets. The great Truth of our oneness with the Father reveals the Divine Nature of mankind.

Unfortunately, this Truth has been lost in the mist of meaningless words, and even the learned in our midst are confused. They confuse themselves by the spinning of words and belief in the power of evil which has taken hold of their minds. Yet Truth is simple and easily applied.

We find that the priests throughout the world today, as of old, have very little knowledge of the inner mysteries which reveal the Truth of Being, but have an immense knowledge of ritual and formalities which they practice religiously without having any idea of what they are really doing. So they go on mystifying the people and confusing themselves.

We also find people praying to their God for aid to destroy their enemies, so-called, little realizing that their enemies, so-called, are praying to the same God to destroy them also.

Now what God can they really be praying to? It cannot be a God in Reality, so it must be one they have created for themselves, for there is but "One" God, and He is eternal and everpresent in every human being; so they are worshipping something they do not know.

Hence throughout the ages we find a few who have the inner knowledge while the masses have a religion which is mostly idolatrous, taught by a lower order of priests who are, if at all, little better instructed than the worshippers.

When we come across an error in a calculation we do not accept the error but set about correcting it. Yet the most extraordinary thing is that most people accept an error that exists in the human mind, body or circumstances as a reality.

The Law of God is as sure as the Law of Mathematics and if applied as we apply the Law of Mathematics the result is perfect and true, made in His image and likeness. If you will bear this in mind you will not be confused by the phenomena you see before you.

Everything is the result of the consciousness acting upon the Law, whether we create a condition that is foreign to our true nature, or whether you allow the Law to operate correctly by the realization of the oneness of the individual and the Universal, that the invisible and the visible are "One"; the one is the cause of the other.

You can be caught up in the error of your fear and your belief if you do not realize that the Creative Power in you is that same Creative Power you have inherited from your Father in heaven. No matter how much you argue with yourself or philosophise, you will fail if you are unaware of this inherent Law.

The great mystery of the ancient Egyptian Temple was enthroned in the midst of a magnificent edifice. In the inner veiled Sanctuary, behind the golden curtain, stood not a great Apollo or a god, as you might expect, but a common *onion*.

Why should the most common thing on earth be so enthroned? Tons of them lay on the streets to be sold, for everyone at that time ate onions freely. The masses could not perceive the meaning, but the one who

penetrated the real meaning was initiated into the mysteries of Osiris and thereafter his lips were sealed.

The veil was lifted with the understanding of the all-Presence of the *Eternal Living "One" Spirit*, present not only in the Temple but in the streets, in the fields, and in all places alike.

The onion also held the symbol of the outer and the inner until the centre was reached and this was found to be identical with the outer. The outer was the effect of the inner, so the inner became the outer. Only one in a hundred thousand penetrated the mystery and was immediately admitted into the inner mysteries of Osiris.

To the masses a superficial meaning was palmed off, so ignorant creeds and dogmas came into being and the real meaning became submerged, as it is today, by sanctimonious formalities.

It was the great Truth of the omnipresence of the Eternal that the prophets and sages passed down through the ages. It is this same Truth that you must hold fast to today.

The predetermined knowing of the Eternal is being manifested in you. It is the beginning and the end. It exists as the Universal Law of Life, so when we look at the serpent Moses raised up in the wilderness and see the son of man raised up, we begin to know the Truth of our Being.

I want you to remember this clearly in your mind: whatever the consciousness is aware of, so the predetermined knowing of the Infinite (the Intelligence) will fulfill.

While God's ideas are perfect, man's ideas are often imperfect. But this should not alarm us for only through experience can we learn to operate the Law. It was for this that man was put out of the Garden of Eden, to learn for himself through experience the right use of the Law. And the prophets were sent so that man could be guided back to the Garden of Eden, to the realization of his true birthright, born of the Spirit. "Call no man your Father on earth for one is your Father who is in Heaven."

So the discovery of our true state is natural and inevitable and we are led into the Garden of Eden through the teaching of the prophets. These teachings will stand for all time as a guiding star to unfolding humanity.

Modern thinking today is causing consternation in the minds of those who stick to the erroneous fiction of their creeds, which reveal the unscientific and stupid belief of a devil and a hell, as depicted in Dante's Inferno.

You are playing a great part in the great scheme of evolution, according to the nature and intention of the Infinite Creative Principle,

through the instrument of your mind in action, to bring about the direct expression of the Presence that abides in you, by realizing that there is no other mind but His, and no power but His, and assured that the ultimate result is perfect freedom.

Man may for a time please himself but in the end he can only please God. Thus he finds through his action and experience the Law relentlessly brings upon him what he sows, so does he reap. Ultimately there is no other way but to please God, and we find the way through the prophets Abraham, Solomon, Moses and Jesus. This same wisdom is being expressed to you now in your midst.

Those prophets were universal figures and it is only ignorant man that has made sectional denominations out of their teachings by making claims that have no basis in Truth. The various dogmas only create confusion and separation and are therefore false. The statement that the Kingdom of Heaven is within is proof that only within can we find the pearl of great price, and not through any outside organisation or system.

When leaders of nations disregard the Truth as revealed by the prophets thereby setting in operation campaigns of hate which will revert upon themselves, and in which hate and antagonism remain, suffering in both body and soul is evident. As the prophet rebuked the leaders of old so are our leaders rebuked today.

We must not create error in ourselves by hating others, no matter how they display their ignorance. For if we follow their example we will be no better than they are, and will suffer even more because of our knowledge of the Law.

Your place is to be always ahead of the race so that the race may be led along the path of truth and freedom; those in front must be the light that lighteth the pathway, "I am the Light of the world and he that follows me shall never know darkness."

#### BENEDICTION

O Divine One, we thank Thee that Thou hast seen fit to send into the world Thy chosen ones to show us the way.

We ardently desire that our eyes and ears be opened to see and hear Thy Voice calling all souls to look to Thee alone, O Eternal One.

We have come to realize that we are born of Thee and open ourselves to Thy presence so that all who come to us may be strengthened in Thy ways.

That we may all be one family, living in peace and joy, feasting at the one table in our Everlasting Home in Thee, Beloved One.

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Lecture No. 10

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### "ISRAEL AWAKE, THE LORD THY GOD IS ONE LORD"

The greatest thing we can do is to reveal the Life as the "One" Life in all, as was in the beginning, is now, and the same forever. This was the work of the prophets and is still the work of the prophets, for this work is by no means finished; this is why the prophets are now in your midst.

Only a few are used to leaven the many and they are the spearhead of the Infinite Life, revealing the truth of the one Life, and the only Real, manifesting in human life.

There is much intellectual learning in the world but little real wisdom is discerned in it. Therefore it is your work to discern the false, the ever-changing from the everlasting.

Head-learning and soul wisdom are two different things. It is not what the eye sees but what the heart feels that is real. Even ignorance is better than head-learning with no soul wisdom to guide it. The crowd follows what the eye can see, but few find the secret wisdom of the soul.

The crowds are confused because their minds are cluttered up with so many ideas of others; they read book after book and are not one bit better off.

Refuse to let others do your thinking for you, for this will destroy your power to think for yourselves. Thinking for yourselves is the greatest asset you have.

Do your own thinking for in this lies your safety. Most people are imitators, they follow the suggestions of others and are caught up in the desires of others and become pawns in their schemes.

The purpose of these lectures is, while teaching the Truth, to enable you to think deeply, thereby freeing you from the dictates and ideas of others.

The negative conditions in your lives will disappear when you think Divinely. This keeps your mind in a state of awareness of the

Truth of your being. This is the law of progression which will eventually manifest in the race.

You all learn by experience, consciously or unconsciously, according to your ideas, producing health or sickness, success or failure. You will find that your ideas are the impelling force behind your daily conduct, your thinking and acting. You act in accordance with the ideas that dominate your minds, thus you outpicture your life accordingly.

When you do not know the cause, you live in a world of misunderstanding and illusion. But when you know the cause you are free. Thus thinking for yourselves is the most valued possession you have, then guard it with all the power you possess.

I have repeatedly told you that cause and effect are one. Effect is but the cause manifesting. Cause is "mind in action," manifesting in its vehicle called "matter," and this is called the effect. If you are not aware of this then you are lost in the effect, and you can never escape from it by ignorantly denying it, or by using material means alone to eliminate it. So in your individual lives, as in the masses, this must be understood; as in olden times so it is today.

Egypt was old when Moses was young and signs of decadence were evident. Cruel oppression, pomp and vanity, these self-disintegrating forces were at work. Soon mighty Egypt would be as dust, smitten by its own rottenness. This was Egypt that had led the van of civilization. What could be expected from the rest of the world, if the great Truth was lost?

What was the outlook for the future with an intellectual development expanding only on the material side, without any knowledge of the Spiritual Truth of the real livingness of Life? Materialized intellectual greed and selfishness were feeding the best in men and would ultimately destroy the world in deadly strife.

This was Egypt when Moses was young. Are we repeating the same cycle of ancient Egypt? Is our world today not smitten with its own strife and separation and desire for conquest of the things of the world?

Separate ideologies are warring against one another. It is only by the Truth that the prophets Abraham, Solomon, Moses and Jesus revealed that civilization can be freed from misery and suffering.

Success today is gauged in material gain. This is the false god that man still worships. To the unenlightened it is the most cherished thing in the world, but to mankind it is the most destructive.

What will become of the world if the real Truth should become extinct? But the Infinite has planned otherwise. When man has

suffered enough he will seek the Eternal. This is the story of the prodigal son repeating itself in our midst.

Therefore the Truth must no longer be the mysterious legend of the inner temple but must become the household word in every family. This is the work of this generation; although it is far from being accomplished, it is on its way.

The Supreme Mystery of Life must be the starting point in every child's education, instead of being the final teaching before man dies.

To claim what the Eternal has in store for us we must disregard sectional denominations, polished materialism. We must also cease worshipping the intellect and cleverness of the mind of man. We must discern what our ideas are and the motives behind them. We must practise what the Master taught, to love God with all our heart, mind, and strength, and love our neighbour as ourselves. For surely our neighbour is ourselves, in the light of the Truth that God alone is the only "One."

Therefore I am not stating anything new but that which the prophets revealed. This we must translate into our daily living and refrain from worshipping the individual prophets in themselves. The Master makes this plain when he says, "I of myself am nothing," showing that the Infinite, to be infinite, there must be only "One," and this is the "One" we must worship in Truth. Therefore we prove to ourselves that the simple Law of "Love your neighbour" is the true expression of God in us all.

No matter in what capacity we are engaged, this law gives to us freedom and happiness, because it is in accordance with the Divine expression in us.

In our experience we are prone to react to conditions and circumstances, and blame others for our troubles. We thus create enmity within ourselves. If our reaction is anger we utterly destroy our harmony. If our reaction is jealousy we weaken ourselves, for jealousy is an admission of failure which establishes a feeling of inferiority.

Our safety lies in following the direction of the Master, "Love your enemies, return good for evil, bless them that curse you, and do good unto them that hate you and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you, that you may be children of your Father which is in Heaven." This is a clear statement of the Law.

Whatever we think and feel within ourselves so do we create in the outer, thus we suffer through our reaction to things external to ourselves. Pure action comes from the Spirit within and is expressed outwardly, thus creating harmony in every atom of our being as well

as harmonising our surroundings in accordance with our Divine Nature.

"Instead of being moulded to this world, have your mind renewed and so transformed in nature, able to make out what the will of God is, what is good and acceptable to Him and perfect."

We see then how important it is for us to discern what are our thoughts and reactions. Are they moulded to the outside world, or moulded by the Divine Nature that is true within us?

The belief in an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth is as out of date as the belief that the earth is flat. It is only when we realize that the Real Self is none other than the great Infinite Self which is behind all Creation, do we recognise the unlimited inexhaustible power, guided by Love and Wisdom, which is ours. Therefore we no longer react upon the outer, but are able to change it in accordance with that which is true.

Thus we gain for ourselves health, success and happiness as a natural sequence. "For no eyes have yet seen or ears have heard of all the good things that God has prepared for those who love Him."

The plastic mind of the young is moulded by what it is taught during the first years. The mind accepts in terms of what is forced upon it, and is no longer able to think for itself, but in accordance with the concepts it has absorbed. Therefore proper culture would teach the truth of Being and the culture of the mind. The mind would be trained to think in higher ideas of wisdom and understanding of Life, which would develop kindness and true values.

As polished materialism begins to fade away so will the system of education that has fed it disappear also. Truth culture is a sure foundation for the Life of the people, not a narrow bigoted culture but an expansive culture that will include all peoples.

This Truth is not found in any books but in the heart of enlightened man himself. Fearless love and understanding of true values alone can unite the peoples of the world, and not conferences based on the external things that cause sorrow and conflict.

The first announcement must be that of the Divine Being as the Infinite One, the Universal "I," and the everpresent "am." "I am that I am." This was the mission of Moses.

The Master showed the same "I am" individualized in the flesh. When you reflect within yourself the only power is the subjective "I"; this is the starting point in man. "Am" confirms the report and says "Yes 'I am'." This is our future growth to all eternity. That is why both Moses and Jesus assigned it to its supreme place in the human life.

Moses proclaims the Eternal "I am," and Jesus proclaims the

personal expression of the great "I am."

Moses says, "O, my brethren, shall the Lord raise up a prophet like unto me." Here Moses saw the necessity of such a prophet as civilization rolled on. This prophet must be one who would duplicate Moses and take Life a step further in its progress of evolution. When Jesus came, he said, "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither would they be persuaded though one rose from the dead." "I have come to fulfil the law of the prophets."

We can see the great scheme of the Infinite, choosing its own channels to reveal the great Truth for the progress of humanity from age to age, and we will find the key to these words in our own hearts and on our lips in the secret word "I am."

Therefore the people of the "I am" must be free, independent of both time and country, and derive its solidarity alone from the recognition of the "One" only.

If we identify ourselves with the family tree or race, tradition, state or church we identify ourselves with something that is external, illusive and unstable. If we are caught up in any of these we will have a belief in separation that leads to antagonism. If we permit any of these beliefs to rule us we are no longer the people of the "I am."

The ignorance of the individual is shown in the struggling of the masses today. In the midst of our amazing scientific achievements we find ourselves in a world sick, disabled and depressed because we have looked outside for our remedy.

We have not yet realized the deep underlying error in our whole civilization. We must discern the cause of separation, then and then only can we realize our unity.

It is easy to say, "The Father and I are one" but this does not free us from our prison. We only bring this truth into our prison. It is only when we discern the cause of our prison and dissolve the error can we translate our Divine nature into our daily existence.

We need not shrug our shoulders and say the responsibility is not ours. Nor must we deny that these conditions exist. Neither does dwelling upon our defects help us, for this only causes discouragement. But if we see that we are contributing to the misery of the world we will cease to do so, thereby allowing the Absolute freedom of expression through us for the benefit of all.

Thus the great march through the wilderness is symbolic as it is told in Exodus. The wilderness is the symbol of a barren place where no growth could be obtained. The people are led into a land that flows with milk and honey, and milk and honey is symbolical of Spiritual

food, where the bounties of God could be found. This can only be by the realization of the Spirit of God in man. This is the people of the "I am," for this was the true name of the Eternal "One."

"Is-ra-el" in syllables carries a great meaning. The first, "Is," is pronounced as if you were drawing in breath, signifying the Life Principle in Action, more particularly the individual life. "Is," forms the basis of worship of the Egyptian Goddess "Isis." "Is" represents the soul. The second is "Ra" and is the name of the Egyptian Sun God and this represents the Life Principle manifesting in the body, and the third, "El," is that which supports both and represents the Universal Being known as the "Nameless One" which includes both male and female, and gives rise to them.

This is pure Spirit — the Supreme Being — now the same as before It had individualized Itself in the many. In other words it represents Spirit, Soul and body. Therefore man is instructed into the Kingdom of Heaven, which combines the threefold recognition of God manifesting in individuality, which is accurately represented by the combination of the three syllables "Is-ra-el," and unless these three are joined together in one single unity, "Israel," the recognition is not complete. "When you have seen me you have seen the Father."

Most cults fail because they separate the Spirit, Soul and body. "And the Word was with God and that very Word was God and the same Word was made flesh and dwelt amongst us."

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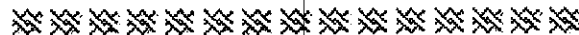
"O Magnificent One, as we unceasingly meditate on Thee we feel Thee and know that we have dominion over all things.

O Essence of Love, our intellectual concepts were cold and devoid of feeling. But now we have come to know Thy enduring Love by Thy ever tenderness to us.

O Divine Omnipresence, these words are not mine but Thine. I only felt them and gave them expression through the medium of words.

May Thy Blessing go with them to strike an answering note on the living harpstrings of our hearts so that we may feel Thy Presence always, O omnipotent One."

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## *Ancient Healing Methods with Spoken Words*

(Excerpt from *The Healing Secret of the Ages* by C. Ponder)

The spoken words of life, health, and power working through the thyroid gland in the throat stir up tremendous energy in the body. Both the ancient Egyptians and Brahmins knew this, and used spoken words of healing to set up a vibratory reaction which dispelled congestion and helped nature restore broken bones and depleted organs.

In ancient times when there were no doctors and non-medical methods of healing had to be used, the spoken word often healed. The priest-physicians knew about the dynamics of sound and realized that every spoken word had tremendous power. By certain arrangements of words, such as in healing affirmations, a tremendous vibratory force could be set upon in the invisible which profoundly affected physical substance in the body of man.

These priests knew that by their persistent healing chants, they greatly stimulated the 12 mind powers located in vital nerve centers in the body, deliberately activating and releasing increased energy into all parts of the body. Healing was the natural result.

In India, it is both legend and tradition that the sung or spoken word has more power than anything else in existence. Modern metaphysicians are rediscovering the fantastic healing power released through spoken words of health. They now claim that the spoken or sung word is 80 per cent more powerful than silent words of Truth. When a person tells you his health was restored by "spiritual treatment," he means it was restored through spoken words. A spiritual treatment is a truth *spoken*, a healing idea *stated*. Diseases can be completely wiped out of consciousness through spoken words.

### "Let me at least try."

God has not withheld all answers, and if I will look within my mind, I will recognize at least one or two small steps I can take immediately. My need is not for mastery but merely for the willingness to practice an instant only. A small step toward light is better than total darkness. This day is not lost if there is still one moment left in which to begin again.

(Excerpt from *The Quiet Answer* by Hugh Prather)