



Monthly Lesson  
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### “Living in the Circle”<sup>1</sup>

There is a question on the desk: “If you are not getting results from treatment work, should you resort to material treatment?” There are no rules or regulations. Spiritual healing usually comes very quickly if the work is done the moment the problem appears, but if you accept something into your thought and awareness, live with it for a long time, and then try to apply the truth to it, it appears to be a struggle. It is really an educational process to train ourselves out of our human responses and into receptivity to the Divine. A problem should be met immediately at the very moment it happens. We must be in a state of attention and alertness to meet problems, so we practice the Presence all day long. When an appearance we know is not the truth hits up against our consciousness, we need to be alert to reinterpret it and let Spirit reveal what is. This training is something we all go through in the beginning of our experience.

The Wisdoms in Joel’s book, The Infinite Way, are very potent. If you will work through them, maybe three times a year, and really ponder each one, you

will find that there is an applicable truth to almost any problem you might have. If you are faithful to this, your consciousness will immediately provide you with an answer. If you can accept the answer at that moment, then the problem is met whatever the situation. But if you argue for the discord, “why would this come to me?” – or you argue on the basis of any human terms, you have lost the moment that healing could be instantaneous. This is also true with the practitioner; if the practitioner accepts a person or claim into his or her thought, the case is lost. When the phone rings, you know that the caller is *I*, the Christ, coming to you to be recognized. This Christ has no problems, so you cannot accept a mortal into your thought and then try to apply truth.

When I first started my practice in the Infinite Way, this Wisdom was written on my phone: “Be not afraid, it is I.” Before I picked up the phone, I looked at it and was in total agreement. Then I functioned in that consciousness no matter what was said. So it must be with all of us. We are not doctors, human counselors, or psychologists, and claims must be met with the Truth. The woman or man who is coming to me is the Christ; I unveil them and see only the Son of God: *“I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.”*<sup>2</sup> If you have this in your awareness, you can hang up the phone, enter that lovely state of peace and let the Spirit of God bear witness to the Truth. That puts the seal on it. The truth you know that you are holding in your awareness is only the first part; the second part is letting the Spirit of God bear witness with your spirit that we are children of God.

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<sup>2</sup> Mark 1:24

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<sup>1</sup> 1993 Gold Coast Class, Tape III (9312), Side 1

The silence doesn't *do* anything; it completes the experience, enabling the Spirit of God in us to bear witness to the truth of being. Someone has come to you saying he or she is a beggar, or sick or poor – but you, like Peter, have known the truth that he or she is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. You are the spiritual being who realizes the truth and all you have to say is “I will be with you.” That will be enough to give the patient the assurance that you care, that you are listening and you are with them, bearing witness to the truth.

After you hang up the phone, you might need to make further adjustments in your thought because the caller may have shared details that you correct in your awareness. Usually a *truth you know will come to you* so that you can make the corrections within yourself. Then you open the door to the Soul realm where the Mystical Union can take place. That Spirit of Truth within you confirms that which has already come to you. So actually, what we are being is a living witness to a living God who is living in and as us. When we enter into that receptive state, the attitude is, “Father, bear witness to my spirit that we are children of God; if we are children of God, then we are joint heirs with Christ Jesus to all the heavenly riches.” This is your attitude of prayer – you are being a witness to the Christ, the Spirit of God.

Spiritual or divine ideas come into our mental state when it has been purified and is receptive; then those divine ideas are made flesh and practical. Let's look at the idea of communication. Primitive man used drums and smoke signals to communicate. Then as Consciousness unfolded, communication evolved

over the centuries into the telegraph and telephone. Now we have satellite, cable, and wireless connection!

When an idea comes into the mental realm, it changes form according to the evolution of human consciousness at the time. But it is all the same idea: instant communication. The most instant communication we can have with our fellow man is in meditation, realizing that there is only one mind. We must try this in our family; if an idea comes to you and seems to be a right idea, instead of talking about it, entertain it and allow it to be in your awareness. You will find someone in your home will come up with the same idea and will enthusiastically tell you about it. Then you have proven communication on another level, and you recognize that when something of a spiritual nature comes into your awareness, it is also imparting itself to many others at the same time. God does not “channel” truth to any individual. You could say that the Message of truth is being broadcast continually and It is going out to everyone. Those who are interested in spiritual reality and attunement to the Source are turning within and receiving these impartations. I know that many times a thought of constructive spiritual activity will come to me; then my telephone will ring. I will learn that someone else has picked it up as well, that we have come into agreement, and whatever is to unfold takes place.

Joel said to me, “Catch the idea of the impersonal nature of error,” and I knew that this is an enormous principle to realize. The negativity in the world, the beliefs in evil such as karmic law, sin, disease, lack, and limitation – all of these actually have no power

until a person accepts them. When a person accepts these beliefs, he or she then becomes the host or hostess. Then these claims are like parasites; they can't grow or develop themselves but first must have a human being accept and believe them. When any of the negative thoughts, concepts, beliefs or opinions of this world come to you, you have a choice when you know the truth. You can accept them or you can impersonalize and nothingize them.

In the Infinite Way, this is a great principle: when any human belief, regardless of its name or nature, comes to you, if it is of a limited nature, you have the choice to look at it and reject it. I never accepted karmic law although Joel wrote about it until he was told it wasn't power. If karma comes from human laws, what is the source? The answer is the carnal or mortal mind, a term that denotes nothingness and has no power. For instance, if you tell me that two times two is five, this does not have any power and I don't have to accept it. I don't have to accept anything but God and God appearing as individual being. If the source of the suggestion is mortal mind or human belief, then it has no power. I don't accept it and I let it go – that is nothingizing it. Now all of these human beliefs in our “religions” almost all have to do with karmic law and “*whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.*”<sup>3</sup> These all stem from the belief that man has a selfhood, a soul, a mind, and a life apart from God. But I don't believe that. I believe that there is only one creative principle - God is the life of man, “*the word was made flesh.*”<sup>4</sup> So the

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<sup>3</sup> Galatians 6:8

<sup>4</sup> John 1:14

statement that man's thoughts have power or that man has power in any negative form can be questioned and you can decide whether you want to function from that level of human belief. I surely don't!

For example, imagine we are sitting here together and someone gives you a letter that says, “Virginia has passed away.” You would laugh and tear it up, wouldn't you? That is the best kind of treatment you can give because that claim is a rumor that has no validity. The principle of oneness is that God appears as individual being. That means the individual being has all the qualities of God including the mind of God, the soul of God, and the intelligence that God is. Where does the belief originate that says karmic law is power or that man has power over the forces of nature? It is an archaic belief that comes from ancient times because man lived by personal power.

In his book, The Mystical I, Joel answered the question, “Why did some of the great yogis take on the discords of their students?” He said it was because they were caught in the ancient belief in karma. Eventually, “*whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap*” became part of the Judeo-Christian belief. If we accept that, we must accept man as self-created, self-maintained and self-sustained (with a little s). I don't believe that man creates himself. No, man is Self-sustained, Self-complete, and Self-maintained with a capital S -- that is God. Who sows and who reaps? It is God sowing in us, through us, and as us *if* we are receptive and responsive to that still, small Voice of truth that utters

Itself in us. We are not doing anything - God is doing it. God is breathing me, God is assimilating and digesting for me – I don't know how to assimilate food and turn it into energy. At all times, the Fountainhead of Life is God and He is doing all that functions of My Universe.

I recall that in the branch of metaphysics I came from, thought and mind were power. I never truly believed this and knew, for example, that I could not stop the action of the tides or influence the rising of the sun or moon with my mind. We are just beholders of God in action. So when rumors of personal power come your way, impersonalize them. That means you recognize that someone thinks they know something – all foolishness! There is no power or Presence in thoughts or things so you dismiss them. You never contend with “powers” because God has no opposite or opposition. God fills all space (omnipresence). God is the substance and activity of all form so there is nothing but God, Consciousness.

As we become aware of the power of spiritual discernment, we learn to look at and correctly interpret appearances. If something includes an element that indicates that man is “guilty” and must “pay a price,” then we know that that belief system or person has accepted the belief in two powers. We realize that the Christ truth comes to human consciousness to set us free – we are not guilty. *I alone in the midst of you is the only Power and the only Presence. “Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.”*<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> 2 Corinthians 3:17

*Dear Friend:*

*To understand the nature of spiritual power sets us free. Realizing that there is no power in any form or effect is to have the healing consciousness. God, Spirit, Consciousness alone is power and this is most keenly felt in eternal stillness and immovable love.*

*One egoless person who realizes this truth is a transparency for the Christ activity to enter the human mind and dissolve material sense. As this light of I Am has a clear, silent, dedicated, egoless being to shine through, peace, love and joy enter the world.*

*Let us give thanksgiving for this precious Christ within each of us that fills us with abundance and joy.*

*Aloha,*

*Virginia*

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