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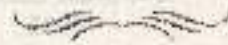


"WE ALL ARE GODS"

We all are Gods, if we did but know it,
Gods and Goddesses, could we but show it;
Could we enchant this baffling mesh
Of nerves and tissue, bones and flesh
To do what Life would have us do;
We could be Gods, if we only knew!

We are all Christs, if we but knew,
If we could let the Christ shine through.
Could we inform the narrow mind
With broader love of human kind,
We are all saviors of the earth;
We are all men of miracles birth!

—Angela Morgan



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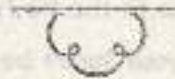
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The Great Master, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever.

"Lo, I am with you always."

"If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you."

"There is but one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by Him."

"The same was in the beginning with God."

"They shall call His Name Emmanuel, which being interpreted, is 'God with us'."

Who hath abolished death, and brought Life and immortality to Light.

"Let this Mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

Every spirit which confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God.

"Let not your heart be troubled. Ye believe in God, believe also in Me."

Chapter 1

THE PATHWAY TO MASTERY

THE Pathway to Mastery is the Pathway of the Christ Spirit in man. The Pathway to Mastery is the Pathway of the Truth of Man as a Spiritual Being. The Pathway to Mastery is the Pathway taught and revealed by the Lord Jesus Christ.

He declares, with all the authority possible, "I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life. I AM the Way to the Father. I AM the Truth of the Father. I AM the Life of the Father revealed in a physical body."

As a spiritual Being and a son of God, he held potentially in His human nature the attributes of His Parent. He had the inherent capacity as a child, of unfolding into the Divine Perfection all those eternal qualities which characterized the Father. Here was the key to Spiritual Mastery, and here was the key to His victorious presentation of the Power of God in all Mankind.

This conception of God's relation to man is the Key to the true understanding and teaching of the Life of Jesus Christ. The

doctrine of the Fatherhood of God, as an abstract truth, had been in the world for ages, together with the Spiritual nature of God.

That which was the special Revelation by Jesus was the deeper insight and higher understanding of the Being of God, and the character of God as Father, and the mighty possibilities that this Truth could awaken in man, when he realized and personally demonstrated the Truth of his real relation to God as Father.

In this deep consciousness of God as His Father, not simply as a transcendent Being, but as an Indwelling Presence and Power, He taught as no other teacher had ever taught, the possibility of a perfect Life, of spiritual supremacy and mastership over all adverse conditions of life, and the possibilities of abundance and satisfaction of all our needs here and now. "Your heavenly Father knoweth what things ye have need of."

A person's ideal of possible attainment is the real basis of his faith and effort. Whether it is true or false, the ideal of possible attainment of all that man needs of Life, Wisdom, Joy and Health, is far above all other conceptions of life presented to the world by any other previous teacher.

Instead of preaching a final absorption in Deity, Jesus sought rather in every individual Son of God, to bring forth those potential qualities of the Father to a complete and perfect expression along the planes of physical, mental, moral and spiritual ideals.

This ideal Man was a Divine incarnation, the Eternal Word or Divine Ideal actually made flesh in human life and experience. He ever taught the necessity and way in active manifestation of enthroning the Kingdom of God in the social, economic and spiritual life on earth.

This earth was to be a paradise of beauty, perfection and delight, from which men could be translated to celestial and divine spheres, and rise in ascending states of unfolding Life for ever and ever.

The older teachings of religion did not teach that God bore to His children the relationship of Father, with all that such a relationship emphasized. Nor did they teach the Divine Sonship of Man, from the spiritual standpoint.

The Christ interpretation of God, Man and the universe, was unique in that He not only taught but demonstrated, in His own Life and works, the Power and Presence of

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God filling and actually indwelling a human form, till that form became the very identification of God Himself; "Emmanuel," God with us and in us.

The enthronement of this Truth in the life of mankind on earth, will usher in the reign of Brotherhood and Fellowship, of Peace and Plenty, of Joy and Abundance. For this the earth waits; for this Jesus Himself came to bring the glad tidings of the Gospel of Peace and joy, and to show humanity the way back to the Father of us all.

One of the most inspired writers spoke by the Holy Spirit when he declared: "There is no other name under heaven given unto men whereby we may be saved." How few realize this Truth, and know that the Eternal Word and Name of Jesus Christ is written in every human heart, and hidden as a living seed in the depths of our nature.

The name of Jesus, as the Son of Man, unifies Him with all other sons. The name of Christ as the Son of God unifies Him with humanity as the Light that lights every soul coming into the world. He is verily the Sun in us radiating, through our Being, the Glory of our Father-Mother God.

And as Lord He is God in Man, God with Man, bringing to our consciousness that At-

One-ment which makes the possibility of man finding the Unity of Spirit within himself, and not outside himself. Thus was He the Way, the Truth and the Life, and the Revealer of the Father to all mankind.

Yet was he the first born of many brethren who with Faith, Courage, and Hope dared to follow Him to the heights of the Spirit **within** our Being.



Chapter 2

JESUS CHRIST THE GREAT MASTER

JESUS CHRIST says: "No man can come unto the Father except through Me." Therefore, Jesus Christ is the Hub, and humanity the wheel, and to complete the wheel, and have it run, we must have the axle.

The axle represents the power and life of God, and no one can contact this except through Jesus Christ, or the Christ Consciousness. We must connect up with him, for Christ is the Mediator between God and Man.

The Hub also represents the spiritual triangle representing the Trinity. There are two triangles. The center is the Solar Plexus. One of the triangles always points upward, and the other downward. One represents the spiritual consciousness or Christ Mind, and the other the physical or conscious mind. These two triangles together form the Six-pointed Star, one of the most ancient of symbols. At the center of the two triangles is also the name "I AM" which is the name of God, given to Moses; and every time we declare "I AM sick, I AM weak, I AM poor, we misappropriate the name of God. There is only One Lord, One Faith, One

God and Father of all, over all, through all, and in all.

God is never sick. He is all that is good, happy, joyful and perfect, and so when we say "I AM sick" we are taking the name of God in vain, and God says "I will not hold him guiltless who taketh my name in vain." Not that God will punish us, but there are certain cosmic laws, which if we break we have to pay the price.

If we do not know that there is a law of gravity, and jump out of the window, we will not break the law but we will suffer the consequences of our ignorance. So we see that we must learn the laws, and learn how to overcome them, and until we have learned how to overcome the law of gravity, we must respect it. We cannot hurt God, but it is we who suffer if we violate His laws.

Jesus Christ said "Ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall set you free." We have always had the Truth, but it is the knowledge of the Truth that has been wanting. In his ignorance of law, man was content to go about with a candle; but since he acquired a knowledge of the laws of electricity, wonderful advances have taken place in the production of light, heat and power.

It is the same with the law of the mind. We have not known the Truth of God. Man has not been taught the Truth of his being, and so how could he know it? It is a strange thing today that the knowledge of the Truth is not taught in the Schools or Colleges, nor even in many of the Churches. The schools of the prophets in the Old Testament were devoted to teaching the understanding of the Laws of God. There came a time when the teachers deviated from this line, and taught purely along intellectual lines, for fear of hurting the feelings of those who did not believe in God. In doing this, those who would believe, were deprived of the teaching of the Truth.

Wherever the Churches are not teaching the real Truth of God, regardless of their denomination, people are passing through trials, tribulations and trouble, because they have not been taught the Truth of man's Being in God, which is the basic principle of the teaching of Jesus. God never intended that man should learn through his experiences, but because he has disobeyed the Laws of God he has to pay the price, and it is often a very heavy one.

We must constantly keep in touch with God, our Father, and the only way to do this is to do it through the Christ consciousness.

Jesus, the son of man represents the perfect human race, and the Christ, the Sun of God, is the consciousness of God expressing in man. Jesus did not always have this consciousness; He came into it at His baptism: "And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water; and lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him.

And lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matt. 3: 16, 17. He knew at the age of twelve that He must be about His Father's business.

He recognized the parentage of God and not that of Joseph and Mary. He thought it strange that Joseph and Mary should worry about Him when He did not follow them home, but stayed behind in the Temple. He was astonished that they did not know that He was born for a specific purpose. From that time, to the age of thirty, He was preparing himself and gaining knowledge and Truth. It took Him thirty years to prepare for the three years' work, in which He was to play the greatest drama that has ever been played on this earth plane.

He had been educated by Mary in His prenatal days, yet it took those long years to

prepare for His representation of God on this earth. He represented God in all His attributes. He knew this. The Heavens were opened to Him; and He knew that He was Jehovah, the most exalted Spirit from on High, who had been chosen to be the very embodiment of the Father.

He knew that He had given up His Heavenly Kingdom to come to earth to save man from destruction. He knew that He was the the Ambassador of God; that He and the Father were One. All power had been given to Him in Heaven and on earth, physical and spiritual. He was the Mediator. He was the bridge across the chasm between God and man. What is this chasm? It is the gulf between heaven and earth or God and man caused by man's carnal mind. Man had separated himself from God in consciousness and this consciousness is All in All.

If we are conscious of life, we manifest life. If we are conscious of wealth, we will manifest wealth, and so it is with other things; but we must remember, the same mind that can be conscious of good and produce good, can also be conscious of evil, and will then produce evil.

Jesus Christ brought God here on earth to us where all might behold His glory. He

did not hesitate to declare Himself as One with the Father, and they who heard it called it blasphemy. He knew that He would have to be crucified on the cross, but He had to acquaint man with God's true attributes and His loving character.

As an ambassador from heaven He had to be true to His vision and work, that is the reason that He did not claim an earthly kingdom. He claimed the Universe; His was a work concerning this planet and the whole human race, and not just one particular branch of it.

Thus it is that one can be saved only through Jesus the Christ; only through Him can one contact the Father. Jesus Christ says "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." John 17:1-3.

God has set before us Life and Death, but He has also given us reasoning faculties, and He has advised us to choose Life. Every moment our mind chooses what we are to think and do. People who are sick by their thoughts have chosen to be that way.

Everyone who thinks or speaks is choosing between good and evil. If the thoughts are of an evil character, we are working with the satanic forces, that are trying to overthrow the Kingdom of God. If we choose to think evil then we are anti-Christ,

and are crucifying Jesus today just as much as ever He was crucified on Calvary.

Humanity is represented by Jesus; and the mind of man, his soul, his spirit is the Christ, the true Son of God. Every time we think thoughts of God, the light of the soul shines forth, and men see the God in us. If we use the mind of God to think thoughts of jealousy, anger, revenge, sorrow or despair, we are using the power of God to destroy ourselves and our fellow beings.

Just as electricity can be used by people with no knowledge of its power, to destroy man, so can this power of Mind or God be used to destroy mankind, unless we guard our conscious mind so as to broadcast only constructive thoughts. If we do this we will put on Christ in character, but if we choose to think wrong thoughts, we put on a Judas character, and sell our Lord. Therefore; "Let this Mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

Man can play the part of God or Satan. All who are working in opposition to God are playing the part of Satan, and in this way Satan is a personality to them. They are anti Christ; and so it is important to watch our thoughts carefully, that we may be about our Father's business. It is through desire to know the Truth that we are

brought into contact with some teacher who can acquaint us with the Truth that shall forever set us free from sin, sickness, poverty and death.

Jesus sent out his disciples and told them to give the Truth to all those who were ready to receive it, but to leave those who were not ready; and today it is just the same. He is sending out His disciples with these same instructions. Every single day we must live and express what we are as "Sons of God." We must see to it that we live and express God in character, and do His Will.

The day is coming when man will not be able to remain in a church, home, office or store and be a hypocrite, just to please some member of the family or a friend. Today God is making up His jewels: "many are called but few are chosen." The Truth and the opportunity of service is being given to all who will accept this, and in the measure that they render service to humanity, they will be showing their true light and character.

Today He is calling thousands who are ready for the Truth, but the masses are not yet ready; but when they are, they will clamor for the Truth. He will turn on the searchlight of His Eternal Truth, and

humanity will be filled with remorse for all it has done. According to the Scriptures, men will want to hide in the rocks and crevices. The world will be filled with remorse, sorrow and fear, and thousands of teachers will be needed to give comfort and feed the hungry souls with the true Bread of Life.

What would happen if there were a flood, say a thousand times as great as the recent floods, and extending over the whole world? Men would perish by the millions. The floods and earthquakes are the effects of all the wrong thoughts that have passed through the mind of man. An accumulation in the atmosphere of thoughts of destruction brings on all kinds of storms; and man will learn by his wrong thinking, wrong speaking and wrong living, that he is responsible for all the sorrow and hard experiences that come into his life.

The atmospheric in a wireless receiver are really the thought forces of men that are disturbing the ether. If Jesus Christ had not come to this earth at the time he did, this planet would most likely have been destroyed by the accumulation of the destructive thoughts of men. This planet is His. He saved it, and paid the price for it with His own life-blood.

Chapter 3

THE MASTER MIND

JESUS CHRIST understood the power of the Divine Mind, and the spoken Word. He healed even at a distance. His Mind is the only real Mind. It is the Mind of God.

I had a friend who was an osteopath, and not having heard from her for many months, I desired to get in touch with her, and for this purpose sent her a mental message, asking her to communicate with me by letter. In the course of a week I received her letter, acknowledging my wireless call and stating that she was attending a young man who had been gassed in France and had been brought home to die. As I read her message, a feeling of great love and sympathy rose up within me, and I declared "by the grace of God, this boy shall not die, he is God's precious son, and is entitled to live." I sent forth my word of healing, and commanded him, in the name of Jesus Christ, to come forth in all of his perfection, and his healing was accomplished instantaneously.

Some time later, as I was giving a lecture in Denver, a gentleman arose in my audience, and asked if he could say a few words, in corroboration of my statement. He

then said that this young man was his nephew, and that he had received an instantaneous healing. Two years had now elapsed, and he had never been so well in all of his life. This gentleman was a prominent physician in Denver, and he became so interested in my teachings that he gave up his practice and entered the ministry that he too might do the healing work.

Jesus Christ told us that not only should we do the works that he did, but that we should also do greater works; so why should we think anything is impossible? While He was here, He healed the servant of the centurion at a distance. If we are to be true disciples, we have to follow the example of Christ. Did He not say: "Lo, I am with you always?"

We are here because God is here, and we cannot be separated from Him. God is everywhere, omnipresent; though we make our bed in Hell, yet we will find God there. By our wrong thinking we have built a veil between the visible and invisible worlds, and that is the chasm between man and the Angelic beings that are with God. When the veil is rent by our coming into the knowledge of the Truth, then the two worlds will be one, as they were before man was cast out of Eden. Jesus Said: "I Am the vine, you

are the branches." "I Am because God Is."
"Believest thou this?"

If we believe this, then our ideas and thoughts will be constructive; we will see our good thoughts and words take on the forms of health, joy, peace, happiness, harmony, success and prosperity. If we think of sickness, we are deliberately sowing the seed of sickness; and the more we believe we are sick, the more we are nourishing the seed. We christen by our words, we talk about it, and so decree it; and it takes form!

If we think in terms of cancer, we will not see the form of consumption; the idea, thought, word, and form must all correspond one with another. We do not necessarily have to give it a name.

For instance if we sneeze, and some one says, "Oh! you are going to have a cold," that is enough to start the idea—then the thought, the word and finally the form. So you see we should be careful of our words. People say that one has caught a cold, but it is the reverse really; it is the cold that has caught you napping. We think of a cold, then we have to manifest the outward form of a cold. That is all it is.

Now that you know the Law of the Mind, you must know that a sneeze is the sign of an overabundance of energy, and instead of

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saying: "Oh! I am going to have a cold," say: "I thank Thee, Father, for my abundance of energy."

We must substitute a constructive thought where we have been wont to have a destructive thought; for I Am Spirit, and Spirit cannot catch a cold. We can only be afflicted with cold by letting the seed be sown in our minds, and then nourishing it in our thoughts.

It is the same with every other thing, and not simply in the case of colds. The idea, the thought, the word and the form that is manifested, all conform, each with the others.

Here, in the Christ Mind is the key to open the Universe. Everything that is seen in this world has to be first conceived in someone's imagination, in someone's mind. This is how the law works. For a person to demonstrate a sum of money, it is necessary to have expressed the desire to receive some money. If he has the vision, nothing can stop him from getting his desire.

An instance showing how God works was illustrated by the following story: A woman had been ill. She was in a strange place, and had used up all her resources. The rent was due and she had no food. The landlady told her unless she paid up at once she would

have to vacate her rooms; she had nowhere to go, but she had Faith, so she said "The Father will take care of me."

She decided to spend the day in the park so that the landlady would not be able to worry her, and as she walked down the street she saw a pocket-book lying on the sidewalk. There was no one in sight, and she picked it up. Upon returning home she found she had enough money to pay her rent and to keep her in food for a week.

She realized the money must have been lost by someone, but she thought it was possible God had sent it to her, and so she knelt down and asked the Father whether she was to use it, and a voice within told her to use it for her needs. She did this, but at the same time she vowed that if she saw an advertisement in the papers for the money she would pay it to the owner when she got work. However, though she watched the papers every day, she never saw any mention of this loss of money, and so she took it as a demonstration of her Faith.

A man once came to me, and said he would like to attend my classes, but that he was out of work. He wanted to promise me his first money when he got work, but I said: "No, if later on you feel you can give me something toward the upkeep of the work,

that is all right, but I will not have you robbing yourself. Why not let us ask the Father here and now to supply all your needs?" We went into the "Silence" together,—he prayed that he might receive a certain sum of money, while I prayed that the Father would prove Himself the supply and provider of this man.

When we parted the man felt very happy. He had to wait a few minutes for his street car, and he went and sat down on a seat. He heard a voice say, "Look down!" he did so and there at his feet he saw a twenty dollar bill. He picked it up and rushed back to the Hotel to fulfill his promise that he would give me the first money that he should receive.

I asked him how much he had asked the Father for, and he said the bill was the exact sum he asked for, and so I told him to keep it, and to look upon it as a gift from God. He said, "Gee! is that how it works?" and then a smile spread over his face and he said, "I wish I had asked for fifty dollars."

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