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This book is dedicated to the
Creator,
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and to each
reader.

Forward

The Golden Precepts was transcribed in 1934 by Aura May Hollen. Its purpose is, “. . . to be the foundation for a philosophy that offers to the thinking mind the truth for universal understanding . . . that includes all and denies none.” (Oracle 13, p. 42) Its 95 Oracles thoroughly discuss the intriguing relationship between the Supreme God, creation, Jesus, the intermediary Community of Divine Beings, personal Spirit, soul, mind, thought, and brain.

The Law is the all-powerful, supreme Will of the Supreme Intelligence. Many of the laws that implement and sustain creation are included and explained in this book. These describe the relationship between the Creator and humans, and are intended to increase understanding, holistic cooperation, and unity. In summary, within the Law you are and within the Word you are sustained.

Capitalization of words such as divine, spirit, and truth as well as words not usually associated with Divinity are capitalized as they appear in the 1934 book.

The sentence structure and language of the original text is challenging. Many read it without mining its riches. This book is written IN OTHER WORDS so that the message may be understood and lived by more people in today’s world. It is a gift given to you. Read. Learn. Grow. Be fulfilled in peace and joy.

Within The Oracle
Lies Wisdom
And Within Wisdom
Lies Illumination

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Part One

Oracle One

To him who wishes comes the spirit of Living Christ. This establishes fellowship and union. The soul centers its longing on attaining the Divine intent on decreasing its materialistic chains.

The person seeking to quench spiritual thirst through material pleasures will be disappointed. The desert of defeated hope will be crossed seeing only the false hope of personal desire. Turning to the fountain from which Living Water forever flows brings the joy of fulfillment.

Turn away from the path of material pleasures that eventually leads to despair.

Knocking at the door of opportunity does not open it. Becoming frustrated, repeated attempts are made to force the door open. This is how the materialistic mind works.

The soul who turns to the Divine at the urging of the Spirit is like the flower that turns its petals to receive the sun bringing perfection for its efforts.

The desires of normal living are enticing. These attractions hide the imperfections of materialistic desires and create false impressions that conceal purity. The self-serving soul will travel a long, hard road before it discovers the ineffectiveness of error.

Impure satisfaction is the distorted image of selfish purpose and indulgence.

Purity is not available in casual living. It grows in the Garden of Divinity that is entered by voluntarily crucifying self-serving desire.

Those seeking Spirit's quiet voice should not allow the surrounding darkness to decrease faith. Darkness precedes the dawn. Likewise do false beliefs and fear obstruct growth until faith penetrates the fog to bring enlightenment.

Don't worry if a shadow prevents the sun of love from shining in your life. Within the shadow is a lesson to be examined with spiritual vision until it is learned. This lesson may involve a weakness that must be eliminated. Shadows mean the presence of impurities. Gold must be refined in order to be pure.

Soul obeys the law of birth and rebirth as it finds its way through many schools of experience before it rejects all materialistic longings that interfere with growth. The River of Time runs quickly in the physical world before merging with the Ocean of Eternity at evolution's completion.

Grains of sea sand are the same and uncountable to everyday mind. Each grain is a unique part of the whole within divine understanding.

The elements of Eternity reveal a divine pattern. Each human soul is a unique, integral part that must evolve into its Spirit counterpart that harmonizes with the divine pattern.

In time each oak twig becomes a branch. Likewise does soul evolve from its beginning into having a selfless nature.

Evolution is the cycling of Time giving each soul the precise experience it needs to grow.

Death is considered a sinister destiny but more accurately it is a messenger of love.

Love motivates life in many ways based on divine understanding. Hatred enters life disguised as love until divine understanding exposes it as an illusion. Know who your friends are or you may be led astray.

Living in peace will shield you from the antagonistic thoughts and actions of others.

Know yourself well. Harm intentionally done to self or others requires restitution.

Human intentions and actions reflect who you are. Some reflections are blurred and dark while others glow lovingly.

Be careful what you say because your words influence others. The joy or sorrow created by your words will come back to affect you.

Individuals affect more than themselves. The law of equality says that people having similar natures are neighbors and influence one another. The law requires self-responsibility through complete understanding.

Individuals attack companions. The attack rebounds when understanding the harm done increases moral behavior.

Consciousness stores all thoughts, emotions, and experiences until the soul's self-understanding processes everything and eliminates every impurity.

As a flower bends in the wind so the soul obeys its inherent longing.

Experience teaches many lessons. Eventually soul becomes a Temple that is open to many emotions each being the result of temporary indulgence.

Don't let the illusions associated with restricted beliefs influence your soul when there appears to be no hope. Restrictions will block soul's successful journey. Pause momentarily when troubled and refresh yourself with life-giving water realizing that illusions and disappointments are but temporary challenges on your journey home.

Physical life includes despair. When life is over the value of all experiences will be revealed.

Oracle Two

A rose blooms and its petals reflect the glory of the eternal dawn. Individuals see a rare loveliness. The image of the Divine won't be seen unless Spirit illuminates the soul.

Soul longs for and approaches the Divine before it is given true perception. In this way the enlightened soul gets glimpses of Divine handiwork.

The wind whispers through space revealing within its soothing breath a promise of peace. The effects of wind are not noticeable unless it leaves destruction and devastation in its path.

The desert symbolizes the barren soul that rejects divine ideas because it lacks understanding.

The flower that blooms for just one day leaves its fragrance imprinted within consciousness. People think its short life has accomplished nothing but its birth and gift are part of the Eternal Records.

Wind blows straw here and there because it is light and not grounded. Similarly, the soul that lacks Divine strength will be blown around by harmful material desires and become injured.

The blue sky symbolizes immeasurable distance. Space exists within mind's understanding. The Immortal with spiritual vision sees everything and everywhere effortlessly.

Immature humans reject all that is not physically visible. The advanced soul sees Reality, is reserved in sharing, and is secure in its knowledge. .

The eternal dawn promises the fulfillment of each soul's longing. The person seeking Divine fulfillment must set aside self-serving purposes.

The lark flies joyously singing its divine melody. Each note may be glimpsed as a harmonic tone of the spheres and it echoes forever throughout the universe.

People deny what they don't perceive. The mind is invisible and can not be divided. It is aware of and precisely records both conscious and unconscious thoughts that are kept safe until their value is examined within divine understanding.

Error hides as illusion until consciousness reveals and cleanses faulty thinking, values, and priorities.

Illusion appears strong but its promise will break under the strain of reality.

The threat of death terrifies the person whose life is built on false beliefs.

Life offers fulfillment even to the beginner bringing joy that transforms into supreme contentment.

The less mature mind concentrates on attaining material success. Life's challenges will reveal the limitations of these beliefs all the while divinity remains available.

False beliefs restrict understanding through rejection and intolerance. Eventually all that limits mind will melt away as the snow melts beneath the warm rays of the sun.

A gleaming star in the night's sky is a reminder of mind's divine potential. Until the mind accepts the laws of the spiritual universe its potential remains unfulfilled and as remote as the star.

The advanced soul is humble. The egotistical mind is proud.

Consciousness is enriched by cleansing so that the seeds of re-creation may take root and blossom.

It is easy to speak of eternal consequences. The Master-Physician understands each word precisely. He assists souls whose earnest strivings are less than effective due to weakness.

Greed is a monstrous sore on humanity. The cure involves learning through sorrow and despair.

Within the Garden of Divinity blooms the rose of purity. Each petal reveals the supreme workmanship of an immortal soul motivated by the divine impulse of cosmic love.

Selfish desire acts to chain error to the soul. The chain links will be transformed into a divine aura only by gratifying selfish desire and soul being filled with profound disappointment.

Aura is a rare fragrance of indescribable loveliness that soul radiates. It serves as a Divine robe confirming spiritual attainment.

Compassion is the flower of love that begins with understanding.

The person who loves does not condemn because complete understanding knows that students make mistakes and grow into maturity in the school of evolution.

Condemnation comes from hatred and jealousy.

Loving individuals do not take from others. Rather, love gives all.

What does it matter if a lone soul blooms among imperfection? After a brief life its goodness will linger in the lives of those not yet born. In this way and when necessary a soul descends to earth whose life reflects divine radiance to light the path for those who grope in the darkness of spiritual disbelief.

The guiding Light shines through the chaos of universal unrest so that humanity will be aware of the infinite compassion of its Divine source. The Light over Bethlehem lit the path that countless souls must walk as the ultimate achievement.

Wind breathes a peaceful lullaby as it blows. A destructive wind demonstrates the presence of a Supreme Power. In this way the Omnipotent God demonstrates strength to call those to experience the ultimate.

Power is expressed through strength. Restrained, it works for good. Unrestrained, it is destructive.

Law reveals order. The soul motivated by harmony lives in contentment within the Law and is not afraid. The Law will confront the person who lives in disorder. The person will be profoundly sorry.

Golden grain is the perfected harvest. The presence of weeds reveals diseased, non-growing seeds.

Humanity contains a variety of souls. The person who is not grounded in the Law is like a leaf blowing in the wind betrayed by personal desire. Only through divine motivation will humanity be transformed from the mediocre to sublime.

The immature person accepts beginning knowledge. Profound knowledge represents supreme accomplishment. The path that soul travels begins in immaturity and leads to the penetrating knowledge of maturity.

The person who harvests and stores grain at the proper time knows the joy of achievement. The person who waits too long wants the comfort of rest and fulfillment but will have little grain with which to satisfy hunger.

This is the law of consequence or the Golden Oracle.

Oracle Three

Compassion reveals the essence of understanding. It finds its source in love and its healing power is made visible as increased strength.

The person who gives love receives in proportion to that which was given. The person who withholds love will experience love denied.

Pride is a barrier to growth. It like a large weight that depletes soul's strength until no growth is possible.

The green pasture offers refuge to the person who walks in love. The barren desert provides nothing to satisfy the hunger of the person who stalks with hatred as an inseparable companion.

Soul extends its roots into the soil of love. Growth is stunted when the barren soil of racial discord obstructs the sun of hope.

The well of wisdom flows with limitless volume. The person who drinks from its Living Waters must first cleanse soul of the prejudice of disbelief.

Faith is the key that opens the door to divine understanding. The closed mind is like a dark room.

People seek to understand the mystery of creative existence. A wall of false beliefs will limit and stop all efforts unless selfish motives are eliminated.

History records people's achievements which are the combined efforts of countless souls. The person who reads history with spiritual vision glimpses between each line the working of the karmic principle that reveals the reasons for events.

Humility is loveliness. It wraps around the soul like a petal that beautifies the golden heart of a rose.

People say the rose symbolizes the eternal beauty of a profound culture. The Immortal says here is the Divine impulse that created the rose.

Soul finds the secret of existence by seeking diligently. Looking with spiritual vision reveals the mystery. The cosmic universe contains the atoms of life.

A grain of sand is small in size and contents but upon its surface is imprinted the image of the Divine.

Divinity includes the elements of religious belief. It discards creed and sect as barriers to progress while merging into the Universal all existing philosophies whose radiance enhances thought.

We must turn to the Supreme Intelligence for the resources of life. This divine element, Spirit, is soul's source and center, and the guiding Light that motivates expression.

Soul expresses itself through thought. To understand thought is like capturing the wind and harnessing it to the plow with which to till the soil.

Science demands physical proof of all that exists and closely examines it. The mind decides for itself without examination.

The blind soul turns away from spiritual understandings. Instead, it focuses only on physical realities.

It would be a dreary world that does not grow and live. This is the soul whose Light is dimmed by the dense fog of restricting beliefs.

Creed imposes a wall that prevents expanded thought. It is like a brook that flows through a straight and narrow man-made concrete channel.

The noisy, little brook gives little volume to nurture the land. The wide, silent river that flows silently to the sea nurtures the land and thereby gains profound respect.

The person seeking to glimpse soul's reflection in the mirror of spiritual reality sees that which inspires true understanding. The person who looks into the mirror of egotistical self-satisfaction sees only personal desire.

Reality is that which exists, the spiritual foundation of true thought and knowledge. Unreality is a mirage used by the mind to satisfy personal desires.

The ashes of a burned out fire give little warmth. This is like the selfish soul who refuses to help a needy neighbor.

Charity is giving in love to the needy soul and withholding nothing that heals with compassion.

Famine is the absence of food that satisfies hunger. Plenty is fullness with no hunger. Luxury is wasting sufficient food for self and others.

As a bee gathers the flower's nectar to make and store plenty of honey for winter, so the enlightened soul stores within consciousness that which sustains when physical Death comes.

Life indicates the fullness of existence. Death refers to a return to spiritual existence. Birth gives soul an opportunity for additional experience. Rebirth provides the varied evolutionary process through which soul changes its orientation from spiritual to physical existence in endless connectedness.

The wise person shares truth through stories that mask wisdom. The fool who shares bare truth without understanding invites ridicule.

The critic's tongue is venomous. It pierces others' defenses with the sword of accusation. The target is defenseless because humanity would rather believe the accusations than truth.

Purity indicates the absence of contamination through the process of refinement. Impurity is corruption seeking to spread its content to humanity.

An unclean mind is the reflection of a contaminated soul like a drop of ink discolors the crystal-clearness of pure water.

Like to like reads the law of affiliation. The beast seeks the beast; the flower seeks the flower; the soul clings to its natural attraction. Within evolution an advance requires rising to a higher status. In this way the consciousness of humanity provides the means through which

advancement takes place. In reality, it becomes the ladder by which each group of associates rise to the ultimate.

The field flower looks to the rose that likewise looks to the sun. This is the Divine urge that motivates existence.

The source of power is faith lived. A person turning to the Light automatically reflects its radiance. A person turning to the darkness lives in the gloom of a closed mind.

Only Divine Light, Spirit, gives soul the power of clear vision. The person who denies this Light looks through a dark lens.

Oracle Four

The Light that enlightens the soul comes from within. This is Spirit's expression. Spirit through the Divine reveals itself as an integral part of the Great Whole that sustains universal harmony.

Universality is everything that exists. Eventually all beliefs will become universal through unity. Non-truth will be discarded while truth based on spiritual reality will be retained.

Narrow beliefs separate the soul from diversified thought and thereby create strong convictions that the soul cannot overcome.

Philosophy is profound and complex ideas. Through sustained study the analytical mind enjoys discovering and understanding philosophical ideas.

The universe is the structure for all life. It is the combined unity of everything that physically exists. Soul interacts with only a tiny fraction of the total and its understanding of the diversified whole is immeasurably small.

The scientific mind that accepts only physical evidence will be unable to solve problems that can be completely solved if spiritual vision is used which can penetrate the deepest mysteries.

It does not matter in which of the human races a soul has experience. The value of a soul is based on universal considerations not related to color or creed.

Basic to having knowledge is the ability to concentrate on a text and learn. Wisdom is the ability to extract the active principle of truth from a wide accumulation of knowledge, to integrate these into theories, and to apply the theories to life.

The hour of death is unknown. People live and work throughout life's experiences. Whether life is filled with disappointments and pains without gain, or filled with peace and joy depends on choices.

Hope is like a garden of indescribable loveliness. The pure rose beautifies all that is around it. Persons who strengthen their souls by living purely become enlightened and enter the Garden of the Gods.

The rose symbolizes achievement and ultimate attainment. The advanced soul appreciates its rare loveliness based on values resulting from growth. The immature soul wears the rose for its beauty and its lovely fragrance.

The sweet fragrance radiating from the rose is a spiritual essence radiating from a Divine masterpiece.

Oriental philosophy is like a collection of rare jewels each wrapped within a disguise. The aspiring soul must first unwrap each flawless gem by understanding the disguise before its brilliancy enhances consciousness.

Immature perceptions of truth protect the beginning soul from the impossible task of understanding and living mature truth. They also filter out valuable knowledge that limits soul's understanding and growth.

Sorrow is an angel masquerading as hardship. Soul can transform darkness into divine radiance once it understands that hardships are opportunities.

The principle of Christ-likeness includes the fundamentals of love, tolerance, compassion, and understanding. Combined they define selflessness which is the ultimate of living souls.

The wind of adversity blows like a tornado when necessary. Divine Will does this so that humanity will become aware of its prevailing weaknesses.

There will be mourning and bitter regret when selfish purpose is purged. Cleansing must be experienced fully since it contains the sweetness of life that was taken from others.

Theft is taking something that belongs to another. The law reads: do not desire that which is not yours knowing that retribution will be experienced for the act you've chosen to commit.

The Golden Rule embodies the law of universal community. Insightful living within its ancient wisdom actualizes the active principle of divine understanding.

The Divine is expressed in the felt urge of the individual's Spirit. It compels the soul toward the expression of purity that opens the doors through which soul identifies with Spirit.

Soul frees itself from the chains of physical life through holistic identity with Spirit and ascending to the realm of spiritual wisdom where it unites with the Universal.

Divine Will is expressed through the cosmic universe and all that exists within it.

The sand of the sea changes constantly being moved by the tides and waves of eternal importance. Likewise, the soul responds to experience that provides the necessary method for growth according to the Law.

The ocean symbolizes the Great Whole into which all streams flow. Similarly, the Universal Mind receives the individual soul when it completes its evolutionary cycle and returns to its source of life.

The tide responds to the moon's magnetic attraction according to Law. In the same manner, the soul reverses course when experience teaches the hopelessness of error.

Time constantly brings an end to all beginnings. New seeds are planted to renew life so another harvest can be gathered according to the law of rebirth.

The beginning soul denies the law of rebirth because of fear. It believes death is annihilation and a monstrous error caused by Nature.

The advanced soul knows that discarding the physical body is the dawn of a new spring through which Nature brings fruition to the normal decline of old age.

The pearl stands for purity because of its shimmering whiteness. Through evolution it forms the sparkling clear color of a flawless gem.

The mineral kingdom is an example of evolution. It contains a range of elements from opaque, lifeless clay to sparkling, clear diamonds. Likewise, human consciousness is composed of an evolving range of maturity from opaque to sparkling clear.

A drop of crystal clear water clings to a pane of glass and moment later drops off and disappears. Temporary, non-spiritual achievements likewise quickly dissolve and are eliminated as part of memory's purifying process.

Humans use memory to remember the past and provide stable identity. Time gently erases current memories in order to be open to and record new experience.

Consciousness receives all impressions from thought and thereby contains both waste and treasure. Soul will sort through and evaluate its contents through adversity and sorrow, and retain only that which enhances and creates completion. This is how the Law operates.

The egotistical self believes it is of great importance. When pricked by the needle of adversity the false image will burst like a bubble leaving nothing but the Spirit that reflects the Divine.

The rainbow symbolizes Nature embracing creation. Similarly, an aura surrounds and enhances soul and is its outer layer.

Immature souls do not realize the divine whole in which they are a part. Consequently, the denial of spiritual existence motivates the immature soul.

Reality is the means for Spirit's expression. Unreality gives soul an opportunity for experience. Humans confuse reality with unreality until holistic understanding is achieved after death when reality is accepted and unreality is rejected.

The snail crawls laboriously because of its shell. Similarly, the soul evolves slowly until the shell of ignorance is eliminated. Then soul will progress without being slowed.

The camel does not drink on its long journey across desert. Likewise, the soul that clings to material desire does not drink from Spirit's refreshment.

Thirst is the craving to gratify a desire. It increases if the drink contains the salt of tears. Soul's prominent weaknesses are eliminated through increased craving.

Strength indicates the ability to withstand defeat. Weakness is the absence of strength and it motivates exploration. Combining strength and initiative produces endurance that sustains effort.

The petals of a rose drop away when the fragrance is gone. Its heart of gold remains a silent testimony to its achievements. In the same way the pure soul leaves behind that which is sweet when its physical body dies and it continues activity elsewhere.

A million buds must bloom before the perfect flower is produced. However, within each bud lies a promise of fulfillment.

Civilization advances as generation follows generation. Adversity teaches the need for reform if growth is not sustained over Time.

Examine effects to find the cause since cause produces all effects. The unthinking mind perceives effects as cause.

The needle has many different uses. It works by piercing. The blunt end can not pierce. Similarly, the arrogant soul needs to be reversed so its prejudicial ideas do not impair its functioning.

Sarcasm is a retaliatory weapon. It acts like a knife that the egotist uses to wound those who oppose by piercing the soul's armor and tearing self-esteem to shreds.

Oracle Five

A sharply focused, pure image in consciousness builds the foundation for spiritual capacity. Materialistic, selfish thought confuses and interferes with mind's functioning.

Each golden grain of wheat reveals the perfect whole and forms an integral part of the harvest. Similarly, purified soul becomes a golden link in the divine chain of celestial being.

A chain exemplifies unified strength. A weak link endangers the whole chain. Likewise, a harmful soul detracts from its companions. This is a debt that must be paid.

The spider spins its web and catches an unwary fly. Likewise, the greedy soul reaches out and takes for itself what another soul values.

People can be both hateful and loving. Hate is a hardship on soul creating misery. Love lifts hate with a compassionate embrace. Hate destroys love crushing it disgracefully.

Attempting to make fine distinctions in a flawed argument is like a ship trying to sail across the ocean with water pouring into its hull threatening to sink it.

People say that Supreme Intelligence does not exist but when Sorrow comes they ask for relief on bent knees.

The blade of grass exemplifies the intricate nature of the Master's art. The unseeing mind notices only general contours of superficial life.

Straw spinning haphazardly in the wind is unstable. Similar is the immature mind reacting to many conflicting desires.

Bread is the well known staff of life. It is, however, a poor diet unless eaten with something else. Eating bread alone is like the soul that limits its thought-stream to the thoughts defined by a chosen system of narrow beliefs.

Variety adds flavor to all aspects of life. A healthy diet requires a diversity of food to sustain well-being. The mental appetite likewise requires delicious food for thought. The fanatic restricts dietary and mental food to conform to particular tastes. This is not normal or beneficial.

An ax will be dull by the time it cuts down a large oak tree. The blade will remain sharp after cutting down a small shrub. The mind reacts similarly when burdened by a tiresome, profound problem. A small increase in difficulty may overwhelm ability.

Spinal vertebrae support the intricate nerve system that enables motion. To eliminate this support structure from the human body is similar to deleting religious content from thought.

Supreme Intelligence brightens universal thought like the sun brightens a dark building. Eternal night becomes eternal day when love shines through the darkness of the unenlightened mind.

Mind is skillful and adaptable in its thought. The Temple of Thought is beautified by limiting its insignificant content and training it to receive that which uplifts.

Humans build temples dedicated to the Omnipotent God and open the doors for all to enter. Then the temple's narrow system of beliefs is enforced demanding that all who enter must

quench their thirst only within the approved restricting creed. The creed's content can be drunk but is inadequate.

Liberty is the ability to make free choices. It is a denial of liberty if a person is given something that enriches but which limits freedom of choice and holistic thought.

The needy seek food through charity. The giver who helps without the priceless gift of compassion is as cold as ice.

The hypocrite claims to be virtuous seeking to be perceived as loving. Penetrating spiritual insight sees through this disguise knowing the hypocrite to be a weak, warped, and suffering soul.

A lie circles and returns to the liar. It always returns cycling with its own energy.

Mental and physical illness may reveal a related error in soul's thinking.

Physical healing is accomplished within divine agreement. The Master-Physician heals soul's expression before the person's illness is relieved.

People do not look to the Divine when life flows consistent with personal desires. When pain destroys contentment the person will turn to the Supreme God seeking to end discomfort.

Faith gives soul the strength to withstand the storms of life. If there is insufficient faith the soul is like a feather blown here and there by the breeze powerless to settle to the ground.

The feather is light. The mind forms slowly by accumulating that which gives weight and stability to thought.

Fleeting, non-observable thought escapes examination. It comes and goes as the wind whether unimportant or profound. Soul alone gives thought its inherent qualities through its deficiencies or acquired strengths.

Through lengthwise threads the weaver interlaces crosswise threads to make fabric. Similarly, mind laboriously constructs that which sustains thought. The finished product reflects the workmanship.

Broken thread weakens completed fabric. The wise weaver inspects each knot before calling the task complete.

A person seeks to wound an opponent through revenge. What does the soul gain in retaliation?

The elephant hides its low mentality with its large size and weight. This is similar to the mind that denies the existence of a supreme and omnipotent God by emphasizing its intellect.

The divine healer works in love because only love has the power to penetrate the troubled soul.

Consciousness can be cleansed and healed though pain which initially enlarges the wound to begin the healing.

Honest persons interact in a way that reveals the maturity of their souls. Dishonest persons strive to hide their soul's weakness.

The peacock struts in pride parading its gorgeous feathers. Vanity seeks to beautify weakness.

To remove an inherent weakness from soul is similar to amputating a necessary limb from the body. Love acts as a sedative that gives soul the endurance to withstand the surgery.

Life is born with minimal clothes. Humanity wants abundant clothing. The Law reads: famine and plenty do not walk together. Plenty gives to famine thereby eliminating famine.

Hunger may drive a person to crime. Abundance lures people into foolishness. Which gives soul increased endurance? One exhausts strength while the other causes regret. Can you tell the difference?

Nature beautifies flowers with a halo of assorted colors. Could flowers fascinate the soul without variety? The Father invites through Nature by giving a fleeting glimpse of the wonder of His art.

To the unthinking mind the setting sun is happenstance with its radiant colors blended within the artist's inspired vision. To the soul whose spiritual understanding illuminates mind the panorama is a replica of Paradise etched with the unerring hand of love.

Love gives to soul the power of expression. The person who receives and shares one's gift with humanity finds the gift enriched a thousand times. The person who takes one's gift, uses it only for personal benefit, and withholds it from the public is like a miser who counts money in a gloomy vault with nothing but selfish need to motivate desire.

The person who gives and withholds nothing will find the treasury replenished when funds are thought to be exhausted.

Soul wants to share its wealth. Mind experiences a loss if a surplus of love is not shared.

All elements of divinity are composed of love. Love is the tool with which Supreme Mind built the universe.

Oracle Six

The conventional mind is like a temple whose doors are closed not permitting the sun's bright rays to penetrate its dimness.

The divine temple opens its doors wide to all who would enter in humility and love. It blocks no one based on color or creed because the Fount of Absolution cleanses the soul by stripping away everything except that which values and enhances thought.

Ignorance discriminates by not realizing that the divine spark enlightens every soul equally. The Father who created all persons in the divine image doesn't recognize race or creed.

Race gives soul the opportunity for varied experience. It provides the school in which the main lesson taught is humility. Humility is the flower of love without which the soul is dark rather than like transparent crystal.

The soul travels a diversified path on its journey through the Cosmos. The person who holds the emblem of the Cross in mind and remains faithful to that path will grow. At the foot of the Cross life's burdens will be laid down and upon its widespread arms will the selfish, materialistic self die.

The Cross symbolizes purity because it represents the supreme, exemplary sacrifice of Christ. The person who is faithful to its pure example will be embraced by arms as tender as a mother's breast.

Motherhood stands for that which gives and never withholds. It births the newborn soul and sheds tears of divine tenderness when death comes.

The wind symbolizes the mystery of existence. It breathes sweet and gentle, or it blows threatening destruction. Its source is love regardless of its effects.

The top is unsteady when spinning fast. Its spin slows and the top stops. Similarly, social status may grow rapidly as a result of applause and flattery.

Kidding is fun unless the thought suggests the intolerance of a resentful soul.

Laughter is soul's expression of joy. It supports soul by relieving the pressures and stressors of life. However, it should not be relied on exclusively for relief.

People believe that falling from social status is dishonorable. Wanting to be high in social status is an impure desire. The Supreme Intelligence says: error in thought precedes and strengthens impure desire.

Soul expresses itself through desire. Desire may take the degrading path of selfish or materialistic indulgence, or it may elevate the soul to the level of divine understanding.

As a person thinks, so that person is. Words may be wisdom or error. In the final analysis each person will be known by one's purity or impurity.

Soul is a mirror whose speech reflects its innate desire. The image revealed may be angelic or grotesquely evil.

A mirror reflects the impression of the object in front of it. The quality of its surface enhances or detracts from the reflection. Speech is the same in that it mirrors pure or impure thought.

Every thought is imprinted on consciousness. There it will remain until erased through the process of acceptance and willful elimination. Whether thought enhances or degrades depends on mind's willingness to be guided.

Order is maintained through control and supervision. Each soul receives direct supervision. Soul believes itself to be free and independent but the All-Seeing Eye knows each word and measures the value of its intent.

The scales of justice move back and forth from tolerance to prejudice. The scales always require a final state of balance and fairness.

Equality is the state in which all persons are as one in unity. It is the Supreme Intelligence's ultimate achievement.

Universality embraces all forms of life. It is the vast melting pot in which racial prejudice and the restraints of social status are dissolved to realize unity and wholeness.

The mountain inspires a sense of awe because of its towering height. Likewise the high status of the selfless soul brings to humanity a glimpse of the height to which each must rise in the course of evolution.

The desert extends beyond vision and appears to be an endless expanse of waste. This is the way life appears to the soul having average desires. Beyond the desert lies the ocean's expanse with each tide being a revelation of the power which moves creation.

The person who experiences entrapment by desert sands and sinks deeper with each step must of necessity develop the wings of an eagle. Consequently, thought soars from the pit of despair to the heights of the sublime when the light of the Spirit enlightens the soul with increasing radiance.

A star shines like a jewel in the sky of Paradise. It is intriguing from its height. Its glamour would be dimmed if it were dragged through the dust. Similarly, a soul is dimmed whose vision and intentions focus on the dust rather than the heights.

Despair is the opposite of hope and leads the soul to defeat. There it must turn and retrace its steps.

Memory brings both joy and sorrow. It is good when memory brings to awareness aspects of soul needing growth. When memory focuses on indulgence it must be disciplined and learn to obey the soul.

The soul finds expression by realizing and fulfilling its predominant desire. Depending on its desire, soul will produce either a gem that beautifies consciousness or a thorn that inflicts pain.

The diamond symbolizes the ultimate achievement by purely reflecting the Divine's radiance. The pure soul must radiate the Divine through culture or its Light will be buried without revealing its intrinsic worth.

Purity is the immeasurably deep water that cleanses the soul's contents. It removes that which prefers mediocrity revealing with crystal-clearness the Light of divine comprehension.

Comprehension is the ability to understand the depths of a problem and reveal its logic.

Stupidity is the stubborn refusal of mind to learn and grow. Rather, it rejects the truth that experience reveals.

Experience is the school in which each grade must be completed successfully. Many souls return to learn all over again a forgotten lesson before mastering it.

Life pressures soul to grow. It teaches the many aspects of joy, sorrow, hope, despair, disillusionment, and fulfillment. The person who is open to all of life's lessons will complete the growth process much more quickly.

Guilty and sometimes even innocent persons experience public scandal that destroys one's reputation. The Law requires that a perpetrator ultimately receive exactly what was given.

The irrevocable karmic principle is the Law. It returns to each soul whatever is earned regardless of consequence. No one escapes. Step by step the ladder of achievement is climbed. If the lower rung is a weakness, a return to that exact weakness is required in order to build a stronger life structure and climb higher.

People talk casually about wisdom thinking it comes from learning. Supreme Intelligence defines wisdom as that which lies within the depths of the soul seeking entrance to the Divine in profound humility. Therein the source of wisdom is found to be the Eternal Records. No one can read these Records without first renouncing selfish purpose. That which is read must be shared to enrich universal mind.

Oracle Seven

No one knows the hour when death will come. It doesn't matter when death comes if a person has completed all of life's tasks. The person who wastes time must return to complete the unfinished tasks.

The law of eternal consequence is considered retribution by the unthinking mind. This principle is understood by the thinking mind as addressing the cause of error rather than believing that the law punishes error.

Each act has a consequence whether trivial or important. Soul builds the foundation of its Temple of Thought based on life experiences.

The building constructed without pure intent will collapse when adversity blows because of poor quality materials.

Misfortune is a combination of pain and distress whether monetary or spiritual. One is a deprivation of physical life and the other a deprivation affecting the Spirit.

Spirit urges soul to express itself. As a breeze Spirit expresses little of importance while its cyclonic energy may be expressed as criminal inclinations.

Soul follows Spirit's motivations forcing mind to obey as expressions of speech or actions according to soul's desire.

The person who does not control thought through constant oversight is like a salesman who sells dynamite.

A person grieves and cries when death threatens not understanding that what the unthinking mind perceives as Death is in reality birth in disguise.

Birth is the means through which the soul descends into physical reality. Rebirth is multiple births. A person who criticizes this law and refuses to understand it is like a mute who tries to speak without the ability to do so.

The mentally incapable person's mind expresses itself inconsistently. Its misunderstandings distort consciousness. This is how the Law works if mind is out of control.

The servant listens to the authority demanding obedience. Each soul experiences this at various periods of the evolutionary cycle. The humiliation and criticism of a servant strengthens the probability that this authority will need to experience being a servant. The law of rebirth operates constantly forcing the soul to re-experience and rebuild each weakened thread in the fiber of its being.

Your Father, the supreme and omnipotent God, decrees that all souls shall emerge from the cycle of evolution of equal value. When criticizing a less mature person, consider your relationship to a person who is more advanced. In this way you will see yourself as equal to the person you are criticizing.

Obedience is the prevailing factor of service. The person who doesn't submit willingly walks with troublesome pride. Humility and Love walk as inseparable brothers of divinity.

Divinity includes all Divine elements which are the seeds that the Almighty God planted within the garden of creation. To glimpse the Father's handiwork in Nature's rich exhibition is to bathe the soul in the source of understanding through which soul emerges as reborn.

The source of joy within the depths of the soul bubbles with bliss when, through communion, the soul ascends to a higher level of divine understanding. This is the remedy for pain when life tears apart the attachments to current understandings.

Understanding provides protection that the soul places between the self and others who intend to wound with harsh opposing beliefs. Within understanding an attack will cause no harm. Nothing will remain of an attack but the smoke of defeat.

The Ancient Wisdom includes and enables profound understanding. It stimulates thought. The soul who understands Ancient Wisdom accepts and lives its inner truth while rejecting its outer misunderstandings, illusion, and mysticism.

The nut is like the soul that contains the Spirit. Removing the divine spark from soul leaves nothing resembling life. Removing the kernel from the outer shell leaves nothing but past efforts.

The soul advances through consistent growth. Confidence will be destroyed and the missteps of past experiences will reappear if an opportunity for growth is blocked by ulterior desire.

Floods bring destruction and bury the greening, rich soil. Similarly, the consequences of personal desire bury the fertile garden of productive striving. The residues of experience are resolved through a long, intricate process of reclamation and purification.

Earthly experience teaches the soul the value of material aspirations. The soul's self-perception while amassing riches in a materially oriented life will pass away and be understood to have blinded the soul to spiritual achievements.

The leper represents a person who repels others by having a contagious disease. The moral leper contaminates not only persons in close proximity but all humanity by sharing offensive thoughts.

A person tosses a stone into a quiet pool of water and enjoys seeing the ripples. Similarly, thought flows with incredible speed. The quality of the thought determines its influence.

Holiness is pure and part of the Divine. The person who seeks forgiveness does so within holiness. Before the Shrine of Eternal Being each soul must become humble in order to receive forgiveness of spiritual violations by the Supreme God.

Catholicism offers an opportunity for the soul who requires the support of collective worship. Within its doctrines the soul finds bread with which it can be filled. Catholicism's weakness is requiring the soul to seek the Divine through an intermediary. Through faith each soul must, by itself, find divinity and pay the debt incurred for living selfishly.

The Supreme God requires each soul to pay all obligations. When paid in full the Ledger of Life is balanced with the debits and credits of its efforts.

Science enhances human thought. However, its principles demand that soul accept the theory of mind in its entirety. Mind cooperates with Spirit's teachings by controlling thought. Through physical means the Master-Physician, your Father, creates the means by which physical pain is relieved.

Nothing is wasted in the divine plan. Each leaf, each tiny ant fulfills a necessary purpose. Why do you think that the Supreme and Infinite Mind bestows through Nature a vast waste? Each straw that blows in the breeze contributed its seed to evolution. Each lark that sings in joy has completed its purpose. Each soul that expresses the divine plan in thought lives its planned motive. Why do you think that Nature wastes the tools through which the Father works?

The mind that accepts all and denies none exemplifies the Universal. All that physically exists depends on the cooperation of atoms for fulfillment. Faith is the ladder by which soul ascends to freedom with each rung representing active participation. The person who stops climbing is a barrier to others because those behind can not go around.

Drink, Beloved, from the source that satisfies thirst. Don't hesitate when you wish to drink more. Ascend to the broad road of holistic thinking so your cramped soul won't settle for that which it has outgrown.

The person who clings to outgrown and restricted beliefs does so after their usefulness is finished. Throw away all chains that bind and release the soul into the broader understanding upon which growth depends.

Oracle Eight

The Divine Mind includes all living souls. Ultimately the process through which humanity will evolve is for each soul's divine Spark to emerge from it and merge into the essence of selfless being.

Evolution provides the opportunity for the soul to develop selfless attributes. Soul learns and is motivated through extensive experience until it eliminates its weaknesses and functions as a pure selfless being.

People reject and ridicule the karmic principle as a means of growth. Mind accepts what is necessary and true once its resistance is shattered by Adversity.

The miser joyfully counts gold not realizing that soul is shriveled like an autumn leaf. This is one example of how the materialist mind forces spiritual decay onto soul.

Spirituality produces the fertile soil in which the seeds of divinity sprout. It enriches alike the individual soul and humanity because it attracts all minds.

Biblical knowledge is introductory. It uses fanciful stories to weave a poetic dream. The seeking mind must closely examine its content to extract divine truth.

Ancient Wisdom combines the content of countless philosophies with each having a characteristic flavor that is blended into the Wine of Life.

The individual's taste determines how the Wine is consumed. To exchange common wine for the sparkling champagne of profound understanding is like nourishing a child with an adult meal.

Deficiency is lack of content. Excess is an over supply. Combining the inevitable factors of deficiency and excess is balance.

Humanity's mind is receptive to thought. Spiritual truth is persuasively introduced through the will of the Supreme Intelligence in order to stimulate ideas when necessary. To extract truth from mind decreases constructive thought. Similarly, adding truth to mind enriches thought. In this way the Supreme Chemist gives to humanity according to its needs.

Chemistry is a method by which parts and relationships can be understood. Additions and subtractions are made as needed to the mixture. Soul goes through a similar process that includes adding pain as necessary in order to produce a final product of purity.

Geography gives to mind an ability to envision a certain locale. Mind eagerly accepts the locale selected for exploration. When spiritual examination requires accepting contrasting divine reality, mind opposes and demands tangible proof. How can mind examine the wind that comes from the Unseen, lightening which is birthed in space, or rain which flows from Nature's sky? How can mind understand accurately if it rebels and refuses to accept the intangible source of its thoughts?

The flower reveals spiritual design with its delicate beauty and upon each petal is the image of the Divine. To human consciousness must individuals reverently turn to find that which motivates existence.

Universal consciousness gives life to the mineral, vegetable, and animal kingdoms. When decomposition comes it embraces and sustains these kingdoms. Within the reality of wholeness and through the law of rebirth copies are reproduced with each ascending on the scale of evolutionary reality.

The mineral, vegetable, and animal kingdoms are intriguing with their elaborate composition. To the less mature mind these act as a fascinating barrier to deeper thought. To the thinking mind these kingdoms are the foundations with which to gain increased understanding and growth.

Divine understanding is confusing with its impenetrable mystery. Everything having divinity as its source challenges normal reasoning unless it is understood spiritually. Divine creation is conceived through the will of the Omnipotent God and illustrates the process by which the individual soul finds fulfillment.

The embryo contains the divine principle that reveals the mystery of birth and death. Each embryo gives to its kind the opportunity for growth. Through the law of rebirth the acorn becomes the mighty oak. The baby evolves into an adult. Immature thinking becomes mature. Can you see how the divine principle creates diversity?

Mathematics gives to mind the necessary exercise for growth. It effortlessly stimulates thought and promotes flexibility in the surface mind. To shape mind's content through concentration is like strengthening weak muscles through exercise.

Mind is a sieve through which thought pours. It responds according to its content. With perfect receptivity the content may all drain through. Or, because of imperfect receptivity the sieve may obstruct the content. Receptivity is maintained and enhanced through control of thought.

Consciousness is like an immeasurably wide sheet of paper upon which thought is written. The person who writes an erring thought upon consciousness with permanent ink is like creating a blister that will be difficult to heal and that will inflict pain in the mind.

Suffering motivates soul to complete a thorough examination and encourages consciousness to eliminate its incorrect content.

Joy gives peacefulness that produces a masterpiece of rare loveliness. It builds with divinity's tools that which lives forever in the records of thought.

The canvas that displays the divine image lives throughout the ages. That which a person builds with the tools of selfish desire is like a foul odor that is profoundly offensive when it decays.

Eternity includes everything that is everlasting.

In eternity soul personifies the Divine Will through service. The immature soul perceives this state as the Heaven of no effort. The advanced soul knows that immortality is the process through which the Christic Being is served in passionate joy.

The Christic principle includes the elements of selfless being. It is divine. It gives all and asks nothing. It preserves and extends love whose source is a blend of tolerance and compassion. Its supreme example is the Living Christ who in celestial existence exemplifies deep, immeasurable, all-encompassing love.

Oracle Nine

Consciousness serves as the soul's permanent storehouse of knowledge and gives thought the capability of expression. Mind is influenced by Spirit's promptings in association with thought and consciousness.

Mind yields to soul's incoming thought which gives soul an opportunity to actively express its desire through speech or action. Mind is the servant of soul and supports thought with soul's assistance. The brain is the means for mind's activity and through multiple nerve-centers it enables the body to receive and respond.

The physical body is an example of a supreme creation of the Omnipotent God. Its intricate, marvelous construction through multiple nerve-centers gives expression to desire with mind in control.

Spirit, soul, mind, and body are the active elements of existence extending from spiritual expression to physical processes. Evolution is the bridge that permits the interaction of all activities and elements.

Experience is the active task-master that uses varied opportunities to give soul the power to expand. It forces soul to experience pain and reveals the heights of bliss. Experience, along with discipline, teaches the priceless lesson of self-control. Soul forces mind to cooperate with will-power. Will-power works for good if desire concentrates on that which uplifts and destroys if it focuses on corruption. Will-power is a force of supreme capability when opposing evil. Desire gives will-power the means to accomplish its goals.

Desire impresses upon soul the need for expression. Desire is birthed in thought at Spirit's urging to motivate soul to active expression. The lazy soul may refuse increased opportunities and therefore not become aware of its capabilities. Soul becomes aware of Spirit's motivating power through varied experience. Stronger morale is developed by channeling desire into constructive efforts.

Life forces situations and decisions on soul who then experiences the natural consequences of pain or joy. Emotion teaches the lessons of life.

Soul is of divine origin and encloses Spirit. Spirit is soul's life-giving genius. Spirit participates in the Divine that is the cosmic pattern of the Supreme Will and is the universal expression that creates all that is. To subtract the infinite spark from soul would leave just the outer covering. To remove the outer covering from Spirit would leave it exposed.

The universal principle is infinite and through its power of supreme magnitude the Almighty God expresses all-powerful will. With immeasurable power the universe is sustained. This power fills all atoms and is the sole source of life. The infinite universal principle and the Omnipotent Will are identical.

Time serves as the process through which mind divides an activity into exact units of measurement. It solidifies the expression of thought. Divine reality has neither time nor space. Divine Will gives soul the internal strength for continuous effort. It is necessary for the physical body to rest so that its multiple nerve-centers are able to assist the restorative process. Restoration is coordinated by Divine Will.

The atom is an integral and fractional part of physical reality capable of analysis. It has infinitesimally small substance when by itself but is supremely large when massed together by the infinite essence. The process of physical evolution includes everything from single atoms to mountains composed of atoms.

Universal consciousness energizes the tiny insect's activities. Evolution is the process through which all consciousness grows. The law of rebirth precisely regulates the life-time of each creation in order to serve evolution.

Universal consciousness gives life to the mineral, vegetable, and animal kingdoms with each developing according to divine law. Only humans possess a soul that stimulates individual effort. Divine Will provides universal coordination so that each kingdom is given what it needs for consistent growth.

Universal control is an intricate system of providing overall coordination. It includes all organic and inorganic molecules whether or not part of a physical body. The Law of universal control insures that nothing is hidden. The bee works within universal consciousness that restricts the range of its activities. Animals assist soul's progress within the physical world. Each creation supports the growth of more advanced creations. Each creation functions within the unalterable, absolute Law of control which serves and ensures evolutionary progress.

The reproductive expression of life is fundamental. Its mystery defies understanding by the average mind. The seed matures through stages motivated by the desire to reproduce regardless of kingdom.

Soul desires to reproduce as an expression of Spirit. This is the mystery of creative life. Spirit, due to its divine origin, is stimulated to actively express the Omnipotent Will through the universal principle.

Universal being is understood to be infinite. It is the expression of the will of the holy and supreme Deity, God.

Oracle Ten

The universal expression of existence provides the basis for understanding. It flows from the source of the Omnipotent Will to give creation the means of manifestation. The person who accepts the Law that establishes control and coordination knows that the universal essence contains the sustaining force that motivates the universe.

Soul functions on many planes that contrast spirit and physical expressions through rebirth. Each succeeding birth furthers the evolutionary process through which growth is assured.

Progress is essential in evolution's plan. Love is the dominant and supreme motivating force. The individual soul must develop consistently like flower petals unfold to the love-force that permeates its essence.

Creative instinct finds its impulse in the realm of celestial existence. It is generated intentionally, its division allows universal adaptation, and it is the supreme power through which the Omnipotent God furthers creation.

Procreative instinct is the foundation of the law of rebirth and motivates humans and animals to reproduce. In Nature's vegetable kingdom this divine law is expressed as renewed freshness.

Through a variety of means Nature gives creation the necessary capacities for progress. In springtime the law of rebirth brings birth and renewal to the physical universe. Autumn's rest is part of the process of disintegration. The non-thinking mind believes the passing of summer to be the reverse of birth. The thinking mind perceives each autumn as bringing the involved elements closer to eternal spring.

The majestic, mighty oak commands respect. It is seen as strength that sustains. The soul whose spirituality draws weaker souls like a magnet resembles the oak. The delicacy of youth has become the rugged grandeur of supreme balance.

Youth gives the soul a period of diverse experience including bitterness and disillusionment, and divine transformation that eliminates weakness.

Maturity is that stage of progress in which soul, through many rebirths, has replaced materialism with divine understanding.

Bitterness motivates change. This plus self-respect uproots self-gratification with its brittleness and inflexibility.

Universality embraces all and denies none. It includes the elements of Christic existence. Based on love, its roots extend throughout the soil of civilization with its green shoots embracing compassionately all philosophies and beliefs. As a loaf of bread's foundation is a grain of wheat, so each philosophy is founded on a grain of truth. Through concentrated effort the soul must find truth within the texts and discard civilization's corrupting illusion and glamour.

Truth's source is the Divine. It permeates the universal thought-stream giving it movement and direction. Without truth, the universal thought-stream would become stagnant and muddy. When magnified, truth points to the crystal-clearness of Divinity's bubbling spring.

Ancient Wisdom's source is extensive and profound thought. It reveals the divine idea of existence and does not exploit for material gain. The pure soul that demands spiritual

nourishment to satisfy its hunger turns to the Divine for enlightenment. First, selfish purpose must be eliminated. The seeker must accept the gift not for self but for the common good. Service to others is the example.

The ancient teachings of the Bible reveal the source of creation. Over the generations Biblical leaders have provided many sets of beliefs. Civilization progresses and demands that the Wine of Life be clarified. A broader interpretation then replaces the ancient text. This new understanding combined with thought turns naturally to the source that motivates evolution acknowledging the supreme and omnipotent Power that sustains existence. The compassion, love, and deep understanding which centuries ago were personified in the supreme Master of the ages revealed the source of truth. The Christic Presence lived the divine attribute through which the crucifixion took place. Through the identical process the individual soul must crucify the self upon the cross of divine understanding which is the ultimate.

Oracle Eleven

Transformation is the illumination through which soul perceives Divine essence. It removes error as a barrier to progress and uses pure intent to accumulate an enduring store-house of thought.

Illumination is evidence of the process through which soul perceives various aspects of the Divine. The light of understanding is given birth which manifests divine compassion and tolerance.

The soul groping in the darkness of disbelief does not see the Divine Mind due to the wall of prejudice through which divine light cannot penetrate. Sorrow and disillusionment within the soul provoke yearning that triggers the seeking instinct.

The naive mind focuses on superficial desires. Desire is the dominant attraction that activates soul. Experience based on superficial desires act like mirrors through which soul discovers illusion. These images are appealing until the resulting misfortunes reveal them to be but imitations without fulfillment.

The advanced mind has attained the power of reason. In this stage soul has the ability to analyze extensively. The Portals of Wisdom open wide allowing access to the highest levels if soul's harmonic rhythm is spiritual desire. However, if pride creates profound resistance toward spiritual desires enlightenment is diminished since it can not penetrate the restrictions of scientific investigation.

The enlightenment of advanced mind exemplifies profound attainment. Through its innate strength soul projects its immeasurably rich thought to the mind. Utmost achievements characterize the mind that is receptive to soul's guidance. In this way geniuses receive the impulses through which inspiring masterpieces are created. The divine light will be deflected if mind thinks being an ascetic is sufficient. The ascetic seeker's near attainment of the divine light indicates its presence. However, the ascetic must live within the sublime's shadow until the divine light's need to actively share and fulfill itself in relation to others is lived. Selflessness orients the soul toward service.

Conversion means rebirth of thought and intention. At that moment the light of divine understanding enlightens the soul cleansing with its capacity to heal. This uplift gives increased strength to destroy the chains of error. The light of understanding clarifies with its radiance. The convert will face resentment and ridicule but must rise above these knowing that in time those who now scoff will apologize.

Rebirth defines the process through which soul advances. In reality it is the acceleration of the spiritual vibration needed in order to rise to a higher level of consciousness. Transitions permit thorough assessments where soul continuously reviews the sequence of past experience. Eventually the overindulgent soul will become distressed and relinquish its dominating weaknesses and approach divinity requesting to be healed.

Rebirth is a process through which the soul in the physical world experiences the same transformation as experienced by its spiritual counterpart, Spirit. Soul receives that which enhances its evolution when it is open to reception from Spirit.

Divine instinct propels soul on its journey through the Universe and nurtures growth. The speed with which it stimulates growth is determined by the demands of experience. Temptation is used to test inner strength according to need.

Spiritual understanding attracts with its mysteries. Youth is attracted to sensual experiences that are dangerous errors. There are many souls in the spirit universe wishing to establish contact with humans in the physical universe. Contact is often established through subtle influences of thought which, if it comes from evil and is acted upon, leads to an increased desire for perversion. Like added to like increases wayward desire and complicates life.

The term astral means the spiritual universe. Souls exist in both physical and spiritual universes. From the beginning all souls will eventually attain the ultimate characteristic of immortality. Between the physical and spiritual universes are levels of consciousness that are to be ascended. To realize that soul changes from spiritual to physical with unerring precision is to understand the law through which communion takes place. Thought is a permanent attribute and the basis for communion.

Consciousness reveals the stage of evolution in which a soul functions. It is the receptacle of thought. It receives mind's contents with perfect precision. It reveals the period of growth and exact level at which mind functions. Consciousness is the store-house in which soul deposits the results of experience. When necessary its contents are comprehensively analyzed and that which is useless is eliminated. Consciousness is permanent and gives soul the power of expression.

Soul expresses desire according to the degree to which it manifests spiritual strength. It centers yearning on either the mediocre or the sublime. A weak soul will express its lack of progress through opposition and contradiction. In this way souls travel the path provided by evolution: from infancy to maturity to the profound.

Simplicity indicates a beginning level of attainment. The advanced mind is capable of profound attainments. Soul expresses its innate strength by its thoughts. The person who chats idly is like a shallow stream. The person who uses words intentionally and carefully is like the silent but swiftly flowing current. The thought-stream reveals the soul's level of attainment.

Oracle Twelve

Those who aspire to divine initiation know nothing of selfish purpose. The soul that is enlightened by the personal divine spark, Spirit, and loyal to Supreme Deity seeks selfless service personifying Divine Will. After freeing itself from materialism, the yearning soul extends the self to the source of the Divine where it receives incentives for increased effort. The aspiring soul's steep, narrow path exemplifies the supreme sacrifice of crucifying the non-divine self.

Selflessness orients the soul toward service. Affiliated like-minded souls enthusiastically give their all. Being compassionate and understanding these souls seek to alleviate human ills thereby living their unity with Divine Mind of which they are a part. In this way the invisible Guiding Force serves the Christic Being according to need. Selflessness also promotes the acceptance of divine guidance and the consequent experiences that ultimately purify soul.

The materialistic mind does not accept the existence of a Divine Community that serves humanity. It only accepts the validity of the physical universe. The darkness of disbelief will be removed from soul when it projects itself through faith and trust to the source of the Divine while leaving behind the prejudices which bar enlightenment. Spiritual vision includes divine understanding that is the basis for accepting both physical and spiritual universes.

The spiritual universe exists within divine substance and is the original for which the physical universe is a replica. The spiritual universe is changeless and eternal, and reflects divine creation. The Guiding Force is within the spiritual universe functioning under Christic leadership. This group is the ultimate for all souls and exemplifies the selfless state. Soul, through spiritual evolution, must ascend through the creative planes of consciousness to celestial status and is therein honored with the divine privilege of serving the Christic Being. Divine Community is the tie that unites. Service is the key to harmonious membership. Everything that divides is discarded. Racial discord and differing creeds all merge within divine understanding that permeates existence. In this way the vast Guiding Force serves in addition to an increasing number of souls whose ascent to the celestial heights qualifies them for ultimate service. Each soul functions with constant supervision. Every thought leaves a corresponding imprint within consciousness where it is assessed. It is therefore futile to believe that a soul is not responsible for error. An individual soul must pay all of its debts regardless of size.

The Christic Being serves humanity from celestial heights in Living Thought with an all-pervading love that penetrates the entire universe with supremely deep compassion. The light eternal may be glimpsed through the crucifixion that Supreme Deity used as an example of selflessness. Throughout the eternal ages the material self must be crucified so that selflessness may arise and serve. The Master Jesus descended into physical life to teach humanity the universal principle of sacrifice. Living Thought was used to instill within the seeking soul the necessity of sacrificing physical desires, and to personify the healing inclination by comforting those with physical ailments and the soul-weary aspirant. Herein is the cure for suffering. Here is outlined the path that each soul must ultimately accept. The essentials through which soul transforms the immaturities of mind into the pure gold of spiritual attainment are to eliminate selfish desires, to examine mind, to follow and live within the Law affirmed by the Divine Community, and to give all but take not.

The Christic Principle is that through which the submissive soul yields self to the Supreme Intelligence in profound humility. Soul's weakness becomes apparent and the desire is given birth for a closer unity with the Divine Mind within the aura of the Holy Presence. It seeks through example to emulate the Divine Will. The peace that permeates soul is extremely comforting. Thus soul, humble and open, recognizes the source of its existence and accepts the conditions of

Divine Will, knowing and living nothing but an ever-increasing desire for service. Soul is given increased strength through affiliation with like-minded souls. The love which unites is unselfish and gives its all. The acts of love provide the all-sustaining power of the dominant influence throughout the universe. The supreme, holy, and omnipotent Will that permeates existence is expressed by that which unites, sustains, and motivates. Those who refuse to believe turn away from this gift of wisdom. The law of evolution irrevocably transforms from the physical to the spiritual, and from the spiritual to the physical. This is the way the alternating law of rebirth operates. The immature soul will ridicule, but after its transformation will in sorrow seek the source of the Divine. The law of compassion works in the following way. The weaker soul is surrounded with divine understanding regarding its inconsistent efforts and inability to accept the spiritual food that the advanced, mature soul demands. Compassion is the essence of healing love that surrounds the weaker soul.

Sacrifice requires obedience that is the immersion of individual will within the Divine will. The soul accepts everything without rebellion. Regardless of the condition imposed whether it is a physical or mental pain, a disability of the physical body, or a deep, profound, restless despair through which the soul discovers and embraces the divine, within it lies the cleansing needed through which acceptance is given birth. It is the element of sacrifice that teaches obedience. No one is exempt. If a temporary period is given to promote stabilization, accept it joyfully knowing that further testing of the soul's courage and strength is ahead.

Jesus the Nazarene exemplified the law of supreme sacrifice. His soul through innate strength forced His mind and body to obey. His soul, by accepting the Divine Will, ascending the cross where in anguish revealed the depths of human sorrow. Clergy turned to this example of sacrifice in reverence. It pointed the way to the cross as the course of the individual soul. Unless enlightened, the clergy's vision does not include the varying, countless, and diversified existences through which soul must crucify desire to attain the ultimate. The Cross is the eternal symbol which each soul must climb and conquer until selflessness lifts soul's weight. The physical must be transcended. Then, in selfless existence, He is served who bestowed the Divine Will's symbol that motivates love within those having a deep understanding.

Oracle Thirteen

Persons accepting the Law's principles and living within it know neither fear nor superstition. A dominant, sustaining faith makes soul invulnerable to the mental hardships inherent with insufficient strength and stability. Mind works a hardship on soul because of its habit of non-obedience. Soul furthers its progress by teaching mind to control its thoughts and consistently, willingly being obedient.

Ancient philosophies contain false beliefs that impose a variety of hardships upon the seeker of truth. The process of ritualized chanting may cause a disturbance in the sense-centers. This disturbance needs to be controlled through the power of will or the seeker's exploration of the supernatural will be terminated by creating the faulty habit of obsession. If ritualized chanting becomes an obsession it may cause reason to become unbalanced. Ritualized chanting may also cause apathy or laziness by chanting being substituted for rational, thoughtful seeking. It may further impair brain functioning if practiced by a person with an organic disability. Will-power is used to establish control over thoughts. During meditation the projection of soul to the source of the Divine is to receive the healing essence of love.

The law of rebirth is confusing with its implication of mystery. In reality it is the means by which evolution is nurtured by giving to soul bodies alternating from spiritual to physical. To reject this irrevocable law of eternal significance is to subtract from evolution the wheel on which it rotates. Only rebirth gives soul the process through which experience is provided. Rebirth also stimulates thought through which soul expresses itself. Thought, the silent monitor, motivates mind to cooperate as urged by spirit. Through the physical brain it influences the nerve-centers which in turn influence the muscles through which body energy is expressed and the vocal cords that produce speech. This cooperative process of soul, mind, and body is an intricate, marvelous example of the supreme art of the Creator.

Mind's origin is in soul's insistence for expression. It sifts consciousness thought. Humans become aware of thoughts stimulated by desire. People want to know the origins of perverse thoughts. Thought is the means through which speech and actions are nurtured. Diverse experience is expressed by soul as troubling anger and sorrow, or as calming peace and joy. Soul is the outer covering of spirit. Its dark, clouded quality or its transparent quality reveals the stage of evolution in which it functions.

The soul having false tendencies gropes within the darkness of spiritual disbelief refusing the comforting essence of love. It relies on its own strength without seeing the divine light that sustains its inner-most existence. Created through the divine impulse, motivated through the cosmic essence of love, and sustained through that which love exemplifies it turns by choice to the darkness of disbelief. Enlightened beings surround this weak soul with compassion and love. The child doesn't understand the laws that motivate parents. A soul manifesting evil through ignorance is a child in evolution. Do not condemn. Rather, by example and firmness live control and love. The silent stream of love does not run in an opposing direction. Instead, its innate strength runs in the direction that enlightenment provides. The turbulent stream rambles and rants forcing its ideas on whatever obstacles are in its path and which are perceived as needing to be conquered. The mighty ocean of Eternity receives all streams and rivers offering the harbor of security when the stormy course is completed.

Eternity provides an inexhaustible source of experience and understanding. It includes all that exists because it knows neither the beginning nor the end of creation. The supreme, mighty God beyond all understanding reveals its divine priorities. The universe has no limits. The individual soul is an essential part in the divine, infinite pattern. It will experience profound humility when it

appreciates the immensity of the whole. The tiny ant that laboriously makes its home that mankind destroys is a necessary part of evolution. The individual soul is likewise necessary in the eternal, continuous plan. The atom is infinitesimal but as part of the whole it comprises the mass of the physical universe. The soul likewise forms an integral part of the Great Whole. To understand the significance of this fact is to approach the Shrine of Universal Being in humility. It is enlightening to know that the divine spark, Spirit, finds its beginning in the deep love through which creation is nurtured and the profound concern evidenced for each soul.

Atoms are the scientific mind's basis for understanding and are also a combination of intangibles. Throughout atoms is the cosmic essence or the fundamental principle of universal existence. This fosters an active cohesive tendency that is the basis for its physical properties. In this way planets evolve from a gaseous formation into a solid mass which provides each new generation with the necessary habitat. The law of equality governs progress. The beginning ego becomes aware of its creation within the divine spark. The ego becomes a soul through the process of absorbing that which is enclosed within its portion of mass-consciousness. The soul becomes a physical example of the divine's separation into its constituent parts through evolution that is nurtured by innumerable births. This process is long and complicated with equality and symmetry as the basis for providing the exact habitat necessary for the soul's stage of evolution. The atom's tendency to remain stable through the mutual attraction of its parts and with other atoms is the basis for its use in physical construction.

The cosmic force through which the Supreme Will operates is the universe and all that it contains. Humans speak of this supreme force as the Omnipotent God or Jehovah according to their understandings. The traditional mind prefers a literal biblical understanding of the universe which denies the accuracy of spiritual interpretations. It is both interesting and complex when each generation advances because the mind willingly accepts each additional household appliance and tool that science provides to facilitate progress. Traditional clergy erect barriers of prejudicial belief preferring to cling with great strength to the practices and teachings bestowed two thousand years ago by various agents. The Bible is a masterpiece of supreme beauty that reveals the birth of thought according to the ancient doctrine of humans of that generation. With each additional translation it has suffered with its text being elaborated until its present version varies greatly from fact.

The purpose of this manuscript is to be the foundation for a philosophy which offers to the thinking mind the truth for universal understanding. It teaches that the supreme God requires the soul's profound love, and that to Jesus the Christ, His chosen intermediary, be given the reverence which accepts the Christic principle as the supreme ideal as a pattern. It accepts the Christic teachings and the life of Jesus which includes the supreme sacrifice as the light which illuminates the path. The Cross is symbolic of that upon which each soul must crucify the materialistic self. This simple, pure teaching defines the Christic Being who from superlative heights extended the love, compassion, and divine tenderness which were predicted by the prophets of past ages. Universality includes all and denies none.

Oracle Fourteen

The Divine Mind embraces all that exists whether perceived and understood, or imperceptible and mysterious. It is in reality the love of Almighty God that flows through the healing inclination that surrounds with a peace of immeasurable depth. The soul that seeks the source of its beginning in faith is lifted above the troubles of the physical universe and is one with the Supreme Power that alone alleviates distress. Meditation provides the necessary process for harmony. Within the Silence, which is really the vast Infinite, soul finds an end to confusion, torments, and cares. The all-encompassing, all-embracing Divine Mind is therefore the love through which the Supreme Presence is made manifest.

Meditation is the soul's safe haven. It is the means through which soul becomes receptive to the healing inflow. The aspirant seeks sustaining comfort for many reasons. Universal Teaching defines meditation as requiring obedience of mind to the need for silence so profound that there is no thought. The body must completely relax in order to cooperate with mind to silence thought. In humility the soul approaches the Holy Presence through the Beloved Mediator asking for the healing inflow. In this way communication is established. The disobedient soul that erects a protective barrier against divine intervention may replace this barrier by a thought-form of the Cross. The Cross is the divine symbol of supreme sacrifice and when requested within obedience and respect, it shields the soul. Its significance and strong spiritual essence make it an absolute barrier. The impure soul, through mind and body relaxation, finds protection within the process of meditation. The pure soul is immune from interference. Meditation is the process through which soul seeks unity with Divine Mind for the purpose of increased strength with which to nurture evolution.

The spiritual universe is an extremely difficult mystery to understand for the materialistic mind that demands physical proof. The attitude of disbelief and even antagonism acts like a crystallized surface that reflects the inflow of the spiritual essence preventing it from entering. The spiritual universe is a non-tangible manifestation in contrast to the physical universe that is a tangible manifestation. When the soul is free of the physical body it does not experience oblivion but is extremely active and centers its activities on the plane of consciousness that best suits its evolutionary needs. The soul motivates growth when in this spiritual plane. Its inherent weakness and desires are ever-present factors in evolution until, by understanding the futility of error, it renounces the barriers to growth and centers its desires on spiritual attainment. To realize that the soul is everlasting and that it alternates between varying planes of physical and spiritual consciousness is to partially understand the supreme wisdom through which developing existence is preserved and extended. Within the physical plane are many and varying degrees of consciousness. The beginner, middle, and advanced represent various stages of growth. What is the difference in their differing degrees of understanding? Rebirth alone provides the answer. It allows soul to descend in alternate periods into the flesh ripe for diverse experience.

Rebirth, which ancient philosophy terms reincarnation, is the connecting link through which soul advances to a higher plane of consciousness and a broader understanding. Death of the physical body is essential. Spiritual unity is everlasting and divine love is that of companionship and harmony. Sexual attraction is an example of that which is based on irresistible affinity. Likewise, hot coals are evidence of a flame that has burned out. In the same way physical desire is cleansed by disillusionment which leads soul to seek and find its essential qualities. Reproduction of the species is the means through which rebirth is encouraged. However, normal reproductive impulses do not appreciate its holy origin and significance. Parenthood is similarly accepted because of its close relationship with reproduction and the sex urge. Experience forces upon the individual soul the depths of despair and restorative bliss. Beyond the haze that blurs physical vision is contrasting spiritual existence with its radiant, ongoing revelation.

The consciousness through which soul becomes aware of the fourth dimension, the realm of spiritual understanding, is sometimes targeted for unfavorable criticism. It is a profound, impenetrable mystery to the material mind unless soul comes to the conviction that spiritual components to its existence are real. Soul may approach the Shrine of Universal Being and penetrate all barriers through open-mindedness. If sufficiently sensitive and with nothing to interfere, the soul may sense the Invisible Presence, the Guiding Force, who serve humanity in the joy of selfless existence. Through the inflow of thought soul may touch the source of creative impulse as a demonstration of Universal genius. This is the soul's masterpiece whatever its nature or expression. With spiritual vision it may glimpse the glory of celestial dawn or may, for a brief moment, experience the rapture of unity. Through purity soul must establish its fitness for the reward it craves before being admitted to the realm of the Divine.

Many planes of consciousness separate the soul focused in the physical universe from the realm of eternal unity. To attempt to establish spiritual communion without selfish purpose being eliminated from the thought-stream is to, without sufficient strength, only reach the plane of the soul's wishful thinking. If the soul focuses on material purposes it will not reach the divine. The seeker must always remember the law of equality. Soul does not rise above its inherent longing. The results of spiritual and material errors appear within the level of their desires. The belief in and practice of speaking to the dead through a human medium is dangerous and often leads to obsession which is really control through mutual attraction. Insanity is a dilemma. Mind, through the temporary or permanent separation from soul caused by a malfunctioning brain, is influenced by its dominant desire. Relying on the stars causes many diversions from the path of normal development. Unless faith sustains the soul in its yearning for communion with pure and unselfish purpose, the result will not be the harmonious understanding that unites soul with the Divine.

Soul expresses its desires through a variety of thoughts that stimulate action. Thoughts characterize the individual. Evil thoughts may scar the public mind. Undeveloped thoughts may detract from the current thought-stream. Whatever its quality, thought expresses the stage of evolution in which soul functions. Thought may also create a symbol of divine interpretation, a melody of a haunting sweetness, or a lovely canvas. Thought as soul's voice actively reflects soul's innate weaknesses or strengths. Spiritual leaders appear when human crises require a spiritual awakening. As the darkness of night gives way to dawn, so does spiritual rebirth advance in the consciousness in each generation. Down through Time civilization supports an uplifting reversal when it becomes aware of its innate errors and the resulting hardships. Love is the motivating factor that requires an inventory be taken of the soul's waste or treasure so that appropriate responses may be taken.

Oracle Fifteen

Thought is the process by which soul expresses desire. It is the intangible element that does not allow examination by dividing it into component parts. Thought is the motivating agent of mind, the ruler that thrusts upon mind the need to comply. It is the soul's agent and originates from many stages of evolution with its substance dependent upon the maturity of the specific soul. Thought's maturity will vary from that of a beginner all the way to an advanced soul with each stage comparable to a separate and distinct plane of consciousness. Only by having this knowledge may differences between the souls of one stage and another be understood. The thought-stream flows through many channels of emotion. Thought expresses the dominant desire that motivates soul whether erroneous or uplifting. This desire is the constant drive through which soul experiences the challenges of physical existence.

The senses respond to experience through emotions. The lure of romance may force upon soul the heights of bliss or the depths of despair. Emotions may highlight a dawn of indescribable loveliness when the soul unfolds similar to the petals of a rose. This unfolding is the spiritual essence of love and the magnetic, everlasting tie that unites companion souls throughout Eternity. Through the false glow of passion emotion may sweep a wave of erroneous indulgence through soul weakening moral fiber and shredding will-power. Some emotions strengthen, assist mind's clarification, and make it receptive to spiritual impulses. The opposite emotions promote regression and deterioration, weaken, and cause the thought-stream to carry the waste products of profound disappointment and false satisfaction. Soul seeks the level of its innate desire.

Emotions may be understood only through various desires that motivate the soul in its quest for experience. Anger is the expression of frustrated purpose. Its effect on soul is discouragement through loss of self-control. When angry, will-power is inadequate to sustain thought on a higher, stable level. Greed is soul's desire to accumulate much more material possessions than is needed from wherever possible. The dominant factor in greed is selfish purpose by a soul lacking compassion. Hatred is when the soul seeks to wound its offender through retaliation and vengeance. Various crimes originate in hatred. Hatred is like a poisonous disease that brings crisis to the soul. Through successive existences with a physical disability and intense suffering a soul may come to understand that hatred seeds destruction and then take the necessary steps to eliminate planting these seeds.

Compassion is an uplifting emotion and the flower of spirituality. It surrounds with the healing essence of love. It is a ladder through which soul may climb to the supreme state of selflessness. Compassion is the active principle that the Christic Being sought to instill within humanity through the sacrifice of crucifixion. The true significance of the crucifixion eludes those not seeking the Light of understanding. The Cross is symbolic of that which each soul must ultimately do: crucify the material self, subordinate individual will to the Divine Will, and eliminate that which is destructive and weakens morale. No act is without consequence. No spoken word lacks its corresponding result. Actions and words are either uplifting or demoralizing, constructive or destructive. The careful builder weighs each thought that is then reflected in speech or actions. In this way the foundation for the Temple of Thought is built with no errors.

Love motivates the soul. It provides the means for expansion. It is the radiant Light produced by Spirit, the divine element within. This Light comes from one source, the Supreme Intelligence, demonstrating omnipotent power. Love, then, is the Divine Will which operates so that soul is illuminated by Spirit whose origin is Divine. Spirit, or the minute spark that motivates existence, is the active agent of Supreme Intelligence. This is true for the entire universe. To understand the operation of the Supreme Will is to realize that the universal application of Love and Spirit

sustains all elements of creation. Each atom is motivated by the universal essence. This is a true fundamental for all of creation.

The universal force perpetuates all creation. Each atom responds according to the stage of evolution it represents. A human's Spirit is the beginning of ego and the nucleus of the soul. By divine decree each new generation of beginning souls comes from the realm of creation's origins in exact precision according to the law of rebirth. After the passing of many ages each soul attains the power of individual thought. The whole of humanity gives each beginning soul a sense of belonging and refuge. Surrounding the beginning Spark is the soul-structure that uses absorption from humanity and personal experience as the process of growth. This meticulous system is marvelous. It develops the beginning soul to one of mature, advanced thought. The cycle of evolution fulfills the Law with rebirth being the ever-active factor of growth.

Soul's clarity and lightness indicate its superlative attainment. Its radiance is the light of the divine Spirit that forms its nucleus as a result of soul eliminating its beginning weaknesses. Each succeeding rebirth will bring about an advance to a correspondingly higher plane of consciousness if growth is consistent. With each advance the surrounding aura, which is the outer part of the soul, is more pure in mood and more vibrant in essence. The divine element, Spirit, illuminates its surrounding soul with greater and greater intensity. This gives soul its radiant and brilliant appearance. It is the Light within which is the active principle of the Divine. Thought influences the varying colors that appear and change within the aura. Thought is the voiceless language of the soul. It changes according to the soul's emotion. A pure soul is selfless. The absence of ulterior motive eliminates the muddy colors that are characteristic of the stages of evolution when soul is still growing into selflessness. The selfless Immortal reflects the high attributes of love, understanding, and compassion. These produce the aura of pure loveliness which exemplifies the soul's eagerness to serve.

Oracle Sixteen

Creative impulse finds its inspiration in the Divine. It reflects supreme achievement when nurtured by the Omnipotent Will. The average person speaks of inspiration without understanding its true significance. The advanced soul realizes that through one source comes all that thrills with its beauty. To realize that the soul that creates a divine masterpiece has also established a unity with the realm of interpretive thought is to understand a little about the law that governs evolution. Soul may express its longings for unity with its source with or without conscious awareness. Soul is given what it has earned. The creative impulse inspires achievement when soul has demonstrated its worthiness to advance by innate purity.

Harmony produces a state of profound tranquillity when soul is saturated by a peace that regards all humanity compassionately. There is freedom from worry about the physical universe that would leave its imprint upon mind resulting in unrest and discomfort. The peace that saturates influences soul to renew its efforts. The tranquil soul strives for a closer unity with the Divine. The love-essence instinctively, unconsciously moves soul toward the source of its existence.

The effects of flattery upon soul may be subtle and deceptive. Flattery plus swelling of self-esteem leads to vanity and gives soul a sense of false security. Encouraged by the glamour of success, soul fails to know the difference between that which is true or false. Soul then relies on its own strength that is inadequate at a crucial moment. In this way the needle of hardship pops the multi-colored bubble of deep self-satisfaction. Flattery looks sophisticated but this is an illusion.

Illusion requires a close look at apparent friendships. Illusion is deceptive so it may look like reality.

Friendship includes devotion that always gives without limits, that demands nothing in return, and with compassion being the dominant trait. The young soul argues that it qualifies for devotion without understanding how it is created. Devotion is birthed in love, lives in service, and endures eternally.

The Universal Mind is the unlimited, immeasurable reservoir of thought. It is the source from which soul draws when it has evolved beyond selfish purpose and has centered its interests on service. It is an eternal, bubbling spring with continually increasing brightness whose waters reflect the image of the Divine. The thinking mind reflects the Universal Mind in its personal manifestation of genius, which is also known as inspiration.

The necessary qualification for achieving communion and oneness with Divine Mind which releases inspirational thought is the yearning to enrich humanity and to share freely that which is given without desire for payment. Fame, public approval, recognition, or honor have no part in the recipient's desire. The soul in harmony with the Divine instinctively turns away from worldly reactions and, consciously or unconsciously, places true value on joint creations. The conqueror's golden crown of fame becomes dull metal when soul loses its ability to make clear distinctions. Flattery and praise are the acid tests applied to measure soul's innate strength according to the standards of divine understanding.

The laws governing soul's progress state the necessity for the control of thought. Soul functions by choosing its path based on choices according to present desires. The chosen path may lead through constructive experience, or it may lead through an extended detour that may force soul to live a whole life without gain. Poverty and destitution may result. A physical illness may force soul to experience acute suffering. The mind may endure a temporary period of mental suffering.

These various conditions are intended to encourage soul to see its need for immediate and critical self-examination leading to a reversal of thought. This stage of evolution must be handled with great care because soul is forced to acknowledge and accept its accumulated debt that must be paid before being free to move forward.

When soul changes its path from a tranquil existence in a state of well-being to suffering and hardship, it has accepted a karmic obligation. The law of cause and effect can not be changed and is the working principle of karma. The material mind accepts the existence of luck and lives accordingly. Yet, material mind refuses to recognize and choose the embrace of divine supervision that outlines a path of experience advantageous to growth. The material mind is inclined to believe that soul operates as a free agent and that it owes nothing to anyone who interferes with free choice. Why then is soul powerless to reverse course and stop the avalanche of grief that comes down upon it? Through relentless force a series of mishaps and distresses are used to sweep the material advantages out from underneath soul. In this way is the individual soul, race, or generation reprimanded and cleansed. The law of cause and effect is really the hand of love and concern that tenderly brushes from consciousness the rubble of wasted effort.

Love motivates existence. It alone provides the force that sustains the soul. It is the absolute, all-embracing element of divine origin, the Omnipotent Will expressed. From the Supreme Intelligence comes that which is beyond mind because mind's limits don't permit a true understanding of its meaning. Love includes understanding, sacrifice, compassion, and submission. It gives tirelessly and withholds nothing. These are the attributes of love which are soul's rightful heritage. The divine spark, which is soul's center, is like a mirror that reflects the glory of the perfect whole when purity is attained.

Oracle Seventeen

The Universal Mind includes the content of thought. It is the origin from which the beginning seed is drawn. Through the process of purification soul demonstrates its eligibility to establish unity and communion with its source.

The Divine Mind is the essence of love and the healing capacity that motivates the individual soul. Soul is enriched according to its ability to receive. Regardless of shape the amount a container holds is determined by its capacity. It is the same with an individual soul; its ability to receive is determined by the depth of its understanding through which it expresses innate desires.

The universal principle is an example of Christic teaching. It outlines the path the individual soul must walk from its beginning to its ultimate attainment.

The Christic Being continues to exemplify the process of control from the supernal heights. He achieved the Holy Will's supreme attainment of selflessness. Each soul must eliminate selfish desire through the purification process. Selfish desire is the obstacle that restricts soul on its evolutionary course.

Desire originates with the wish to satisfy its yearnings through indulgence. The advanced soul knows that the weakness of indulgence is a necessary grade in the school of experience. Its purpose is to allow soul to understand the futility of error by excessive gratification that leads to freedom from illusion through insight. This weakness, regardless of its nature, may be reformed only through care and insight. In this way soul comes to understand its mistakes and inner realities. Gold needs to be refined before it is pure.

The impulse to grow is the sole incentive that urges soul to follow through with its efforts to advance. The law of disparity stimulates these efforts by forcing the individual to make comparisons. There is a purpose within the inequality of universal existence. Each soul sees a soul of higher attainment and maturity. This example gives birth to desire for similar achievement.

Inequality is puzzling to the immature mind. The social impulse presses this mind to take the dominant leader's power. Sometimes this selfish purpose is attempted by trying to instill within society's mind destructive thoughts that oppose current thinking. To prevent a person from receiving the material benefits resulting from efforts extended is similar to taking from humanity its ability to gain the greatest possible benefits from a person's efforts. Within example is the urge for increased activity.

The selfless status reflects divinity and is the ultimate that each soul must live. The purification process will advance through diverse existences. Each existence will add experience to promote progress.

The Golden Rule of ancient roots includes within its principles the unalterable law of universal relations. It is the backbone of the religious principle. If a person gives in thought, which stimulates speech and acts, only what one wishes to receive, the person does not take from the neighbor that which is valued; the person does not cause harm. Only that which uplifts and heals is given. This is profound love being lived. To wound is to invite retaliation. To live with a yearning to heal prevents the possibility of injuring others.

The material mind with its selfish purpose strives to take from the world at large whatever satisfies its greed. Often this mind will destroy in order to accomplish its objectives. The peace of mind of an individual is a priceless possession. A person who takes this, the soul's treasure, incurs a very large debt.

Theft is accomplished in many ways. The act of theft originates in desire and is carried out with the mind under the influence of thought. Injury to the victim is determined by the response to the loss that may include considerable mental distress. It may affect the victim's financial status to the point that the victim's basic necessities and comforts are endangered. This is a mental hardship that may be constantly shared with others. It may also cause suicide to be considered. Theft may shock a race or nation when, for example, leadership is involved. Whatever the hardship the thief must experience similar anguish to remove the debt and learn the lesson.

A brief summary of the Golden Precept teaches the unproductiveness of error. To know the benefits of the Golden Precept and to use it to avoid temptation is to greatly strengthen morale.

Jesus the Supreme Master ascended to Christhood through the crucifixion. He gave to humanity the teaching through which a Universal Community was to be established. He intended to implant within humanity the foundation for a philosophy of love that would eliminate hatred and racial antagonism, social class, and the restricting obstacles of creeds. Humanity rejected His teachings and accepted the example of the crucifixion with varying levels of understanding. The traditional mind's literal interpretation of the Bible eliminates much of its spiritual content.

The profound philosophies do not reveal the delicious nut within the shell. Within its individual stage of evolution the adaptable soul must laboriously, painstakingly examine each surrounding shell in order to remove the underlying truth in its pristine beauty. Through extensive analysis the mind must penetrate the depth of the subject. Through exhaustive concentration the aspiring mind eventually arrives at the fountain of understanding. However, this mind's thirst will remain until it completes the intricate process of self-examination and evolution, and has mastered the innate desire for self-indulgence. The essentials of the process of purification are the conquering of the material self, the elimination of material desire, and the subservience of the individual will to the Supreme Will.

The traditional mind reads the pages of the ancient masterpiece, the Bible, interpreting its contents literally. Literal interpretation is limiting because it can not penetrate the intricate depths that must be investigated before understanding that which enlightens.

Truth is the foundation of all existing philosophies. However, the soul that seeks to satisfy spiritual hunger must train the mind to go beyond literal understandings. Through intensive, penetrating study mind must seek the pure gold within philosophy's content. It alone satisfies.

Christ-likeness is the supreme achievement. Soul becomes purified. The small spark, Spirit, that is the center of the soul and of divine origin must eliminate the darkness of the evolutionary period through enlightenment. Spirit joins with the love-force which motivates and sustains existence in steps too small to be detected. Through many existences and the resulting experiences Spirit reflects the life-giving divine light with increasing brilliance. Soul is like a bud that when exposed to the sun of love slowly responds and unfolds its petals into a perfect flower. This is the divine pattern.

The beginning spark, Spirit, is like a seed planted in the soil of experience. Through existences that alternate between spiritual and physical universes it unfolds, grows, and matures into the perfected, divine element. Soul travels through the karmic cycle. It ultimately completes the circle's route with its impurities removed and the Spirit's pure gold reflecting the divine.

Oracle Eighteen

The Christic attribute is the selfless state of existence. Soul is naturally pure and functions as an aspect of the divine. The eternal soul was created to personify the Law as part of spirit. The required characteristics of selflessness are love as the stimulating impulse and an understanding so deep, so all-inclusive, that it reflects the divine. Through selflessness the weaknesses and idiosyncrasies of the flesh are attended with compassionate concern. Selfless spirit supervision is focused on comforting soul and shortening its evolutionary cycle.

Service is the means through which soul ascends. The Supreme Intelligence requires service on all planes of consciousness. Soul's desire determines the opportunities for service. Options are always consistent with soul's aspirations.

Material mind that is focused on aspirations encouraged by the physical universe does not understand the impulse that motivates the soul that is free of materialism. The spiritual universe enjoys nonmaterial realities but these are thought to be unworthy of serious consideration by the materialistic mind. Diversified experience of evolution reverses materialistic thought and brings soul to an increasing awareness of the nearness of the Unseen.

The spiritual reality of existence is a large puzzle. Soul is intangible in composition and motivated by the aspect of the divine called Spirit. By its own choice and with increasing effort soul is drawn toward the loving source of its existence like steel is attracted to a magnet. This love is personified by the Supreme Being and is the manner in which Divine power is expressed. Denial of the Unseen's existence can't be maintained because the many forces that stimulate Nature defy analysis by physical means. Space, which has no limits and can't be measured, reveals Divinity as its source. There, in celestial reality, is the spiritual understanding of existence. Space includes all with its universal expanse.

Space is thought to be unexplored by the average person but it is part of universal reality. Constellations function in eternal continuity. Each functions with the precision of the Divine Will depending on its stage of evolution. And, each will receive a generation of beginning souls to enhance evolutionary progress. Eons of time are involved for the ego to build a soul-structure that evolves into the individual soul, and through many more rebirths to become free. Only through a spiritual starting point it is possible to give a reasonable explanation to the origin of the soul which, through the support of mind, expresses itself physically.

Permeating space and each separate atom is the divine mixture that is intangible, impenetrable, and that defies examination by physical methods. It is an example of divinity as is all that exists. It reveals the means through which evolution advances. This mixture gives atoms the agility through which mutual attraction is possible. Being filled with universal essence this mixture is influenced by the pull of evolution and gives atoms the ability to be used to make physical constructions.

The average person thinks of the atom as an infinitesimal particle or building block. This explains the construction of matter. Atomic cohesion is real whether between two atoms or in a large combination of atoms. Each atom is vibrant, equal in importance, and gives support to other atoms during growth. Cellular construction reveals the supreme art of the Great Jehovah. The mineral, vegetable, and animal kingdoms were the initially constructed cells. Humanity produces a physical body through reproduction. By way of cellular construction a body is formed for the beginning spark, or ego. Absorption is the complicated process through which evolution is nurtured. The ever-present cosmic essence, the life-producing and life-sustaining force, coordinates this effort.

The beginning realm supplies the source from which individual souls are created and also forms the basis to explain the creative impulse. In this realm the individual soul comes into existence through the operation of the Supreme Will. The divine spark, universal in origin, is received and nurtured by human consciousness where it exists for unknown eons of time experiencing the developmental process. The cosmic love-force motivates existence. Through the love-force's magnified intensity comes separation into individual souls. The tiny, divine element is deposited into the developing cell with great precision to become the individual soul through the evolutionary process. In this way the mystery of creative life is revealed so that truth may replace obsolete and false ideas.

Human reproduction is the method through which rebirth is furthered. Divine Will is expressed through Nature. Humans have a reproductive urge and organs of procreation that respond to stimulation. The vegetable and animal kingdoms obey the laws of Nature with unflinching and systematic regularity. The human body likewise obeys the laws of Nature. Nature is a form used by the Divine Will for expression so that the law of rebirth is furthered.

Nature provides an abundant display of beauty and gives nourishment to the physical universe. It generously supplies that which is pleasing to the senses which in turn encourages thought. To eliminate beautiful colors from the physical universe would create a drab and dreary scene. Through monotony the eye would become dull and lazy. The mind would perceive a barren field with nothing to stimulate art or literature. Subtracting color from the physical universe would greatly impoverish humanity.

Color is a harmony of associated shades. It is receptive to the cosmic inflow and vibrates accordingly. It expresses a divine delicacy, a fragile loveliness. Blends of varying shades create contrast. Nature exemplifies too many moods to count. The sun is the mother-principle that warms and promotes fulfillment. The sun may kill with rays that are too hot as determined by Nature. Its power also influences the vegetable kingdom through drought. The sun gives lavish displays of beauty with varying atmospheric conditions. Color is an intangible, spiritual essence that delights the human senses in the physical universe.

The material mind accepts the existence of a Supreme Deity apprehensively. It either believes in a God of wrath and retribution, or a God of deep, profound love. God is perceived according to mind's understanding. The traditional mind believes the whole experience of the soul is in one solitary existence, and it functions in Nirvana or Heaven within sustained peace and without worldly troubles according to its eternal reward. This interpretation is satisfying to a non-advanced mind that does not understand spiritual reality. Resting in an eternal state of bliss would be a spiritual disease. Through growth, unfolding, and an ever-increasing unity with the Divine Mind does soul respond with mutual bliss. The person who walks with love as an inseparable companion has reached the stage of growth where peace is an established fact, a peace so profound, so all-embracing that the services given cause no harm. With its innate weakness humanity needs a stage of existence that involves sacrifice and endurance in order to learn the lesson of self-control. It will inspire compassion that is all-embracing and through which service is joyfully given. In this way the invisible Guiding Force serves according the Christic principle beneath the direct supervision of the Supreme Master, Jesus the Christ.

Oracle Nineteen

From supreme heights is control established over creation along with its intricate supervision. These processes are not understandable to the human mind that has to address countless issues and hardships regarding physical existence which strain mind to its limits. The mind operates based on brain functioning. It does not have the power to understand spiritual existence except to a minor degree. Mind's focus is necessarily limited to that which is needed to live in and explore the physical universe. Physical vision is designed to function within its immediate surroundings. The mind is likewise limited to focusing on, reviewing, and thinking about the past. The brain follows the mind's wishes. The brain will oppose mind if it is burdened beyond its capabilities. Each soul understands the meaning of spiritual existence according to its current stage of development.

The universal principle is established and governed through a supervision so intricate, so vast, that only a tiny part is revealed so humanity may glimpse the supreme art of the Omnipotent God. Control is the embodiment of the Divine Will and is the responsibility of an authority whose magnitude is unfathomable. As a mediator, the Beloved Son or the Christ, demonstrated the Supreme Will. Between humanity and the Omnipotent God is the Christ of immeasurably deep compassion and love who may be reverently termed the Elder Brother. The praying human trains the soul to obey the Great Father and acknowledges His power, love, and supreme art. The seeking mind turns in reverence to the Son because He has the healing essence that comforts, uplifts, and sustains when approached in humility of spirit. Turning to the Elder Brother when troubles of the physical existence threaten and to request the Divine Audience in Silence is to be immeasurably enriched. The compensating peace will affirm the unity established with the Divine Mind.

The Guiding Force of Jesus is a vast group of selfless souls. They have completed the evolutionary cycle by ascending through the many planes of consciousness to attain Christ-consciousness. This is the state of existence characterized only by selflessness. This celestial attainment gives soul the privilege of serving and communicating directly with the Master. The Guiding Force serves humanity as part of the Supreme Mediatorship whose passion is selfless assistance. Members of the invisible Guiding Force serve in all fields of activity and in all capacities authorized by the Divine Will. The individual soul will find and live the experience necessary to meet its immediate needs regardless of its stage of evolution. Whether the experience is profoundly stressful, or peaceful and calm, in back of and motivating the soul is the ever-present guidance of the Invisible.

Jesus the Christ personifies supreme attainment. The individual must turn to the Christic Being when profound stress, sorrow, pain, or disillusionment injures the soul. Within Jesus is the source of the healing power. The traditional mind demands to know the reason for a mediator. The God who rules the universe as perceived by the traditional mind both loves and hates within various beliefs. Healing comes through God's infinite power. That which is beyond the supernal realms where the Master Minds of celestial existence serve is hidden. Thought in its current form may not enter this area. However, representing the Supreme Intelligence and having His own power and love is Christ who exercises control through many channels. Life is governed in all fields of activity. This is the law of karma that is superior to and limits soul's activities. Organizations of clergy designate a leader. The financial market is governed by rule and order. A governmental chief leads the nation. Likewise are the supernal and divine realms controlled by law to obtain unity and obedience. Christ exemplifies the Father's will and through His mediation is established the universal control which embraces creation.

Creation includes a diverse field of activity. In reality it is the universal principle defined. The creative impulse permeates the individual soul. Likewise, flowers, animals, and all grades of matter respond to the universal impulse that furthers creation through the procreative impulse. To create is to form, to build, to bring into existence from the Unknown whatever is to be. What is called the creative impulse must motivate effort. The divine impulse comes from only one source. This active element and its power are known through the Supreme Will. This nucleus of the creative impulse that motivates creation may flow infinitely in varying quantities.

The cosmic universe is the creation of the Supreme Intelligence. It includes all existing spiritual and physical realities whether in tangible or intangible form. It includes the vast number of human and spirit beings, as well as both spiritual and physical aspects of the planetary system. A spiritual essence must first be formed for all existing objects before a physical replica is created. In this way the universal principle is embraced. The Guiding Force serves Master Jesus in a united effort and under His direct supervision. He governs the universe.

Oracle Twenty

The law of rebirth troubles the average person because it tends to disrupt the calm state of religious apathy. It may displease by suggesting a severance of love-ties that unite physical beings in their current relationships. Within unity is profound purpose. The resistant soul responds only to the effects of pain associated with a companion. This pain, plus the sorrow and separation involved in the transition called death, brings into realization the importance of spirituality. The depth of the physical soul's anguish gives birth to a yearning for enlightenment, a seeking in sorrow's darkness for that which promises a continuation of loving relations. In this way a yearning soul seeks the Light. Disillusionment, despair, and physical weakness are wedges by which soul is separated from its apathy and doubt. This sorrowful situation may be used by the Guiding Force to stimulate awareness of and relations with the Divine. The law of rebirth gives to soul the joy and bliss of reunion in spiritual existence where reunion is based on spiritual connection as part of the eternal thread of love.

Eternity is a term suggesting permanence. The material mind that accepts only physical reality is enmeshed with and limited to this manner of thought. To open the mind to the law of rebirth is to realize that the current physical existence is but one brief chapter in the book of eternal continuity, and that preceding and following the current existence is Eternity.

The individual soul was created eons ago. The divine element, Spirit, illuminates the soul and is eternal. The individual soul is part of the Great Whole similar to being a grain of sand bordering the Sea of Life. It has purpose and lends support to the Whole because it is a part thereof. The perfected whole means completion of the divine pattern. In this way the individual soul is a link in the chain of perpetual existence.

Spirituality includes elements of the Divine. It is part of supreme accomplishment because it is the essence that motivates soul. Spirituality is the cosmic explanation for existence, or the part of the soul, when pure, that reflects Spirit's radiance. Spirit is the enlightening spark of divinity that needs to penetrate soul's structure through many diverse experiences. In this way the soul's essence will turn from cloudy to translucent, meaning unity with Divine Mind. The soul's outer aura reflects its stage of evolution. If the soul's stage of development is narrow, its aura is cloudy meaning a mind closed to spiritual acceptance and understanding. If the soul's stage of development is translucent with an aura of encircling radiance, it means that this soul is in close unity with the Divine.

The challenge of the traditional mind is an inability to broaden its scope of thought. Its restricting beliefs impose limits. It lacks the freedom and openness as a consequence of diversified experience. A monotonous diet reduces appetite and dulls desire. The mind similarly responds to a restriction of thought. It too becomes confined by self-imposed limits. The result is a lack of adaptability and openness that leads to resisting attempts to enlarge its content. Soul, mind, and body are the three organisms that Spirit motivates. All three continually need nourishment of different kinds, relaxation, and fresh effort stimulated by a variety of experiences. The universal plan is to provide mind with a healthy, nutritious diet through diversified interests in varying fields of thought.

Philanthropy is the field in which the soul intends to reduce common misery. It may seek to comfort the needy through financial assistance. It may give soul much needed nourishment through spiritual food. The divine impulse is expressed in many ways. Philanthropy will be supported by souls realizing that compassion is a dominant motive. The insightful soul advances by distributing surplus wealth. Soul's strength is measured through the test of wealth. If selfish purpose is dominant, the soul will keep the surplus wealth and use it to make wasteful purchases

and decorations. This is an example illustrating the karmic law when this soul will once again experience poverty in a physical existence to learn the lesson of philanthropy. Love, not fear, must prompt soul to share excess with its needy brother or sister.

Integrity is soul's internal honesty that defines strength. This soul has chosen the constructive path and remains faithful to its altruistic ideals. Principle is the name by which this attribute receives recognition.

Purity is the measure of spirituality within the individual soul. This soul's thought-stream flows within spiritual understanding and naturally rejects that which is impure. This is the attained status of a soul that has nearly completed the evolutionary cycle.

The karmic cycle encompasses a field of extensive exploration. It is the course of the individual soul from its beginning to a mature intellectual capacity that reflects spiritual motives. The karmic law is the governing principle within which soul must function on its evolutionary path. It is the unalterable law of cause and effect which gives to soul that which is earned whether despair or joy. The soul that understands the intricate operation of the law of control directs its thoughts, actions, and emotions away from self-indulgence and toward the source of its existence for the provision of unfailing guidance. This soul's decisions are made knowing that nothing happens because of luck, and that within each thought and act is a related result.

The cause is reflected in its effects. Thought is Spirit's urge for soul to express itself. It motivates mind, in cooperation of brain, to produce speech and actions. Within this brief explanation is understood the functional power of the divine Spirit to influence soul.

Oracle Twenty-One

The physical senses are used by the soul to express desire. Soul is aware of the physical universe through the eyes. Using vision soul records and organizes its findings, and uses the close objects for its own use. It evaluates each element and determines its value.

To appraise an item and estimate its true value it is necessary to handle it to determine its content. In this way the sense of touch supplements vision. Trained, experienced fingers delicately examine the texture to determine its basic formation. If the examination proves intriguing the person might use the sense of smell to inhale its fragrance. In this way a rose is more thoroughly appraised and its delicate beauty is enhanced by the fragrance of its fragile loveliness. Here is the combined operation of three senses: sight, scent, and touch.

The ability to hear furthers the impulse to converse. Through a mutual exchange of opinions each person tests the other's ability for thought with minds interacting quickly. The sense of hearing is the means through which soul responds to joyous, harmonious sounds with melodies quieting mind into deep tranquillity. Sound is a measure of effort using vibrations. The vibration expands in ever-increasing circles. If sound is uplifting its effect is constructive. If the sound is mediocre or antagonistic it promotes disturbing tension.

The ability to taste strengthens appetite as a means to satisfy hunger. The craving for food is a necessary so that the body will eat the fuel needed for its well-being. Through habit, the sense of taste may focus on eating food that is not good for the body. Addiction to alcohol or self-indulgence may cause a distinct hardship on soul that definitely weakens morale. A destructive habit that is not stopped in one physical lifetime creates a set of conditions needing an additional physical life in order to stop it. The same grade in the school of experience has to be lived a second time to learn the initial lesson.

The soul must seek the dominant weakness to determine the cause when a single sense is damaged due to self-indulgence. Perhaps if spiritual vision has been inadequate the cause might be soul's stubborn refusal to accept the Divine Mind, the source of existence. Blindness forces soul to make adaptations. Decreased vision automatically reduces the types of activities in which a soul may participate. The number of long hours for the mind to laboriously and unceasingly probe the depths of consciousness is increased. In this case memory may be used as an aid to re-examine soul's foundation of thoughts and expressions. Blindness is a method through which spiritual vision becomes more active.

When hearing fails, soul searches for other forms of activity. It turns to the activity consistent with mental development motivated by mind to remain active. Soul may turn to vision and read as an alternate activity and for companionship. The failure of hearing opens a new field of thought forcing the soul to enlarge its perspective.

Soul experiences a profound shock when the body accidentally loses an arm or leg and must endure this additional hardship. Physical and mental rebellion, discouragement, and anguish tend to awaken the soul to the divine power behind these experiences. The hand of love regulates the unexpected changes so that soul experiences increased Divine awareness. Perhaps in a previous physical life the soul injured another person. This may have forced soul, with unfailing precision of karmic law, to experience in the current life the hardship it previously caused the another. Alternately, the soul may have excessive vanity and in this way made to realize and accept this weakness. Many and varied factors determine the affliction experienced. Only the compassionate, selfless Guiding Force has the ability to review soul's record of past experience and identify the causes of this life's effects.

The physical body reveals the skill of supreme workmanship with its nervous system, tissue, bone, muscles, and muscular control. To analyze the human body intellectually with the surgeon's scalpel is to marvel at the Creator's art. The unthinking mind accepts the supreme achievement of physical creation as a natural sequence of Nature. Within the perfected human body lies the cultural impulse and development over eons in which the law of rebirth has, with unflinching continuity, increased the body's perfection with an advance each birth. The beginning ego's first experiences in physical existence are extremely crude. Reproduction and development are contributing factors of progress through many intervening periods. Due to human ties and relations the beginning soul does not function independently but as a part of a group. Thought is born which gives soul the freedom for individual choice and effort following the motivation provided by natural inclination. Then, with increasing regularity and in alternating physical and spiritual viewpoints, soul will eventually develop and be known as human.

Oracle Twenty-Two

Spirit is soul's divine element. Its enlightenment of soul reflects supreme achievement. It is a part of the force through which universal control is fulfilled. This force is cosmic in nature like everything within the universe. This force of supreme magnitude is the power of the Omnipotent God expressed within universal existence. All atoms are sustained through this one power provided by the cosmic essence.

The soul of divine composition discovers cosmic inflow to be sustaining. The spiritual universe, of which the physical universe is a shadow copy, expresses the Supreme Will. The cosmic force must therefore be the starting point and foundation upon which theoretical and relational investigations are based. This revitalizing, vibrant essence flows into and permeates the physical universal. To the vegetable kingdom it gives the reproductive impulse through which development is actualized. To the mineral kingdom it gives the impulse necessary for subtle transformations through which the refining process is prompted. The cosmic force produces the Spirit by which the individual soul progresses from the beginning stage of existence into the state where freedom is assured. It provides the impulse through which the mating of the sexes insures the propagation of the species. Regardless of category, name, or magnitude, the cosmic force is that which the Supreme Creator uses to insure the implementation of its omnipotent will.

In contrast to the physical universe is its counterpart the spiritual universe. The mind inserts a curtain separating the two universes. Thought is used by soul for expression and achieves its desires through concentration. Thought knows no limits in universal space. Resilient thought continues until it penetrates the spiritual universe to reach its intended object. The material mind finds this difficult to accept because thought, being intangible, is unexplored. Thought exists. It is the basis for speech. Beyond this the materialistic mind doesn't explore. Instead it relies on its own initiative to motivate existence and find an outlet for activity in materialistic aspirations.

Thought is the urge of Spirit instilling within soul the necessity for experience. Spirit animates soul to express itself through a cosmic enactment that is vibratory in nature. The intricate method used to originate thought is profoundly puzzling to the material mind. Soul is an attribute of Spirit and the motivating agent for the physical body. Its thoughts need to center on spiritual understanding. An attempt to understand thought from a physical perspective is similar to an attempt to control lightning. Thought is a physical revelation of cosmic reality within the realms of supreme power.

Mind is the representative of the soul. It is guided by soul through the process of thought adapting to spiritual concepts. Mind is the sieve through which soul pours its content that is precisely recorded within consciousness. Consciousness is soul's store-house of knowledge. Mind's skill and adaptability allows it to use the brain. Thought through mind creates desire.

Desire is the impulse that reveals the yearning of the soul. Desire of average maturity may focus on that which is traditional or contrary. Immature desire may focus on the inconsequential. Criminally it may suggest regression. A constructive effort may reflect being receptive to the Guiding Force. Thought, whatever its level of maturity, uses mind to force the body to respond in speech and actions. To control and regulate the maturity of thought, to teach mind to obey thought, and to cleanse the thought-stream with pure intent automatically lifts the soul to a higher plane of consciousness. There are countless planes of consciousness in the ascent from immaturity to maturity.

The foundation of mind supports the theory of spiritual existence. Mind is the outer portion of consciousness, and is its intricate, complicated system of control. Mind can not be analyzed

physically since it is intangible. Mind is the buffer between the soul and consciousness. Mind deposits its content into consciousness. Thought animates mind through its birth in soul and at the urging of Spirit. This process is based on vibrations as in all spiritual existence. Thought compels mind to be active and through brain it controls speech and action to pursue its desires. Another process is also involved. Thought leaves a permanent record within consciousness that remains after death of the body where it is comprehensively examined. Its waste is discarded and its treasure is retained.

Unless profoundly stressed, mind responds methodically to thought registering its content within consciousness. It responds promptly to control. When problems in the physical universe produce a mental abnormality, soul is withdrawn so that on the healing plane of thought it can respond to the vibration of normalcy and control. The healing plane tranquilizes, instills a deeper sense of peace, and immeasurably strengthens soul. When mind loses its dominating force or soul, it is helplessly animated by unconscious desires. In these cases mind randomly grasps memories from the current or past existences from consciousness and weaves weird, tormenting thoughts that assume the form of reality. This explains the mind's misunderstandings and hallucinations that are confusing to the healer.

Insanity is the condition of cosmic intention in which mind thrusts upon brain the least desirable experience. According to the divine plan the soul remains separate during insanity while mind goes through this rehabilitation process. Restraint provides the only means of assistance.

Consciousness has immeasurable capacity to store all of mind's contents. It receives everything - the pure, the impure, the mediocre, the sublime, the degenerative, and the constructive. Each thought is organized according to its intrinsic value as determined by the divine purity of intention. The Guiding Force gives continual oversight to the individual soul creating necessary opportunities for growth. The impulse to grow is introduced by concentrated thought. The suggested thought is either accepted or rejected according to mind's innate strength. Thought originates in a multifaceted process. Mind becomes aware of thought through the soul. The soul receives ideas according to Spirit's urging, or through direct reception from the source of divine existence. Thought's inspirational quality reveals its pure, spiritual essence that enriches soul. An impure thought gives soul a wayward desire. To deny the power of thought as demonstrated in physical and nonphysical existence is to deny the will of the Supreme Intelligence who has given to all souls the ability for expression.

The process of thought elevation is established through control and the dominant factor, habit. When an impure thought is initiated by mind's insistence, examine its quality. A thought's uplifting or destructive quality will identify its source. All thoughts are either constructive or destructive. If it is destructive, correct mind and insist that it obey only pure, uplifting thoughts. Mind may be trained through correction to be an obedient, rather than a disobedient, servant. Thought, reflecting the urge of desire, alone produces the necessary intention and means for speech and action.

Oracle Twenty-Three

Equality is the state in which all are similar in development. This is the state of every soul and final act of achievement; that is, a soul never having to experience physical death again after traveling through the evolutionary cycle. In its beginning the ego represents part of a vast group that must function as a separate and distinct intelligence. Spirit must, through the absorption process and the offerings provided by mass-consciousness, become the nucleus of the individual soul. Additionally, it must travel the cycle of evolution to its ultimate completion through the path of diversified experience. A generation of souls flow simultaneously from and are protected by mass-consciousness. Each soul has a companion to provide support during experience. No two souls travel the same path. Variety gives the contrast necessary for progress.

Socialism is a problem of profound significance. Fostered by selfishness, the supporters wish to distribute wealth so that each participant receives an equal share. The evolutionary cycle in which diverse experience provides each soul with the prerequisites for personal effort does not plan for this type of civilization. Within each generation and race is found an inequality of souls, or persons whose thoughts are immature, average, or advanced. Here are the primary disturbing factors. Financial wealth may be equalized but how are the treasures of the mind going to be distributed in equal portions? The profound thinker realizes the necessity of diversified soul, mind, and material characteristics each of which support thought.

Universality is the means by which soul reveals its advanced stage of consciousness. Through evolution it has come into an understanding of the Divine Will. The advanced soul knows the source of its motivating strength and all-pervading peace through which the troubles of the physical universe fade away. Universality embraces all who error with the compassion that forms the foundation of thought. It sees soul's divine element, Spirit, surrounded by the soul's debris and waste. This same Spirit will ultimately enlighten soul and give to it the understanding of the Divine Will. Universality is an example of the union of soul with the Divine Mind, the Mind whose Light is reflected in speech and actions.

Stress reveals an error in thought regardless of type or degree. Thought is the method that soul uses for expression. It also reveals the desires that soul indicates are necessary for the gratification of the senses. Thought prompts mind and compels it to obey. Soul experiences hardship when thought disrupts the tranquillity that is essential to a state of well-being. The brain obeys the urge of desire since it is responsive to mind's insistence. Thought prompts mind's activity and originates experience regardless of the resulting physical or mental distress. In this way thought reveals the source of all error. To discipline the soul's agent is to control its activities.

Sorrow tears to shreds the fabric of life and gives to soul a true estimate of its worth. It evaluates the value of financial wealth through loss. Soul may have accumulated financial resources greatly exceeding that which is necessary to live. If these financial resources are lost, sorrow may be so great as to make it seem that all is lost. Soul now has the opportunity to learn that the greatest assets of all remain intact. In this case sorrow has been used to cleanse the soul. Physical infirmity is similar to sorrow in that it interferes with soul's expression. It may moderate soul's activities for a brief period or, if it lasts an entire lifetime, it may teach humility to the soul and subservience of the individual will to the Divine. Sorrow may bring divine understanding to the soul with dominating weaknesses.

Fulfillment means the completion of a task. It brings a satisfaction of achievement. Soul ceases its effort because the objective was obtained. This is how the traditional mind views the transition called death. The soul soars upward to its eternal reward with the physical existence

completed. The soul is not completed as this suggests. As soul's perspective grows service is used as an incentive and it accepts a greater number of activities. Service fulfills the universal concept of existence through diversified experience. Service and spiritual understanding increase thirst for accomplishment when in unity with Divine Mind. This truth differs with the strong belief of a single existence that is inconsistent with the law of rebirth. The Heaven of suspended effort is affirmed only by persons not accepting the spiritual understanding of fact.

The traditional mind's perception of Heaven is the state in which soul lives in perpetual bliss with nothing to do. It believes that Divine Will demands nothing of effort but gives sweet relaxation to soul. It basks in the sun of everlasting peace with this being the ultimate of individual effort. This is the refuge to which the lazy, defeated, and weak aspire. The person who feels compassion for humanity and sees beyond the murky veil of false beliefs, greed, ignorance, and weakness does not wish for a Heaven of sweet relaxation that does not hear the silent plea of Spirit for assistance. Rather, this person listens to the voiceless call and is torn between the wish to assist, heal, and enlighten the path to the Divine so that, at the feet of the Master, souls may unburden their troubles. The traditional understanding of Heaven is a mirror in which certain souls project the image of their dominant desire. Suspended in the annals of historic and literary achievement the outstanding jewel is the Cross, whose radiant significance is undimmed. The unthinking mind reflecteth on this, the crucifixion, as an historical legend whose pathos is profound. Its significance is far deeper. It revealeth the exact process which the individual soul must undergo. It must on the Cross of comprehension crucify its selfish desire. It must through this, the supreme example, come into an understanding of the purpose of being. Only through the acceptance of the crucifixion in its entirety, glimpsing not the ancient significance, but the necessity for the application of the lesson taught to the present will humanity find a surcease for its burden of woe.

When Jesus the Master gave humanity the priceless gems of His teaching, He gave that which illustrated the universal principle. Through His healing power He taught the unity of soul with the Supreme Being, the source of all that exists. Through that unity which His faith sustained was lifted the burden of physical infirmity and mental distress. This was the fundamental principle involved: a faith so profound, so deep, that it automatically united soul with the Supreme Force that demonstrated a power whose magnitude is beyond measure. In this way the contact was established. Sustaining this was the love, the all-encompassing compassion born of the selfless impulse which motivated existence. He probed the depth of individual need by understanding humanity. These priceless attributes were bestowed on humanity as a gleaming example on which to pattern and mold the individual soul. Within the archives of historic and literary achievement is the outstanding jewel of the Cross with its radiant significance undimmed. The unthinking mind thinks about the crucifixion as a historical legend containing a profound sadness. Its significance is far deeper. It reveals the exact process that the individual soul must undergo. Soul must crucify its selfish desire on the Cross of understanding to establish its true unity with the Supreme Force. Soul comes to understand the purpose of existence through this supreme example. Accepting the crucifixion in its entirety goes beyond understanding its ancient significance. Only by discovering the need to apply the lesson taught in the present will each soul and humanity find an end for its burden of pain.

Oracle Twenty-Four

Propagation is furthered by the cell. The female ovum is the receptive cell that continues the complex and intricate system that governs birth. The beginning ego is introduced and brought forth when the cosmic flow penetrates the embryo (union of sperm and ovum). The vegetable and animal kingdoms have reproductive processes that vary in conditions and time. For example, a seed planted within the soil develops and grows according to the law of propagative impulse. The embryo houses the beginning ego that is destined to become a matured human in time. The process through which humans bring babies into existence is marvelous and intricate. The sex urge provides the mating impulse. The tiny sperm and ovum that Nature provides creates a miniature copy of an adult that is born to become an individual. To meditate on this the supreme accomplishment through which the law of rebirth is conducted is to appreciate the embodied skill more completely. A complex process is involved through which dogs reproduce. In a short period of time the puppies mature into replicas of the parental-roots. Nature is the outward appearance through which life appears. This is the operative will of the Supreme Intelligence, God.

Conception and development are the reproductive process. It is the principle that expresses the propagative impulse. Through the cosmic essence this impulse produces a replica of all objects: the bee, flower, or plant. The vegetable kingdom reproduces through the process of cross-pollination. The dandelion propagates prolifically throughout near-by territory. To study the various method of pollination with a microscope is to develop a profound humility of soul and to respect that which perpetuates the universal kingdom.

Cellular construction through which propagation is nurtured is the means by which absorption takes place. The cellular wall gives necessary support to the beginning seed. The cell is a replica of the divine pattern that perpetuates existence. Within mass-consciousness is the original pattern that Nature uses to obtain its dominant characteristic, this being the means through which control is administered to the various kingdoms. Mass-consciousness provides the means through which soul-structure is created. The soul-structure receives the divine spark, Spirit, which is the beginning ego that, through the process of conception and development, gives to soul the necessary means for outward expression and activities. Mass-consciousness controls the various kingdoms and is an example of the divine principle's supervision. Mass-consciousness is formed through a concentrated effort of massed souls who in selfless existence function within the celestial heights through divine delegation. Mass-consciousness evolves and is motivated through the guidance of the cosmic force. Beneath mass-consciousness the various kingdoms function. Each kingdom expresses an advance in consciousness and an awareness of the motivating power, the cosmic force, which is demonstrated by response. Progressing through the varying kingdoms - mineral, vegetable, and animal - universal consciousness is an appropriate receptacle for the incoming generation of souls. Beginning forms of universal consciousness must be protected within mass-consciousness. The mind, through which the soul functions in physical existence, does not understand the intricate process of the inorganic manifestation. Mind's ability to understand is restricted by the imposed limitations. Divine conception originates and is nurtured in the vast spiritual universe. The Supreme Will decrees that the system employed fulfill the mighty plan as yet unrevealed.

Procreation is the production of the beginning seed or embryo through which reproduction takes place. Rebirth is an active part in this process. It brings into existence the individual object whether spiritual or physical. The vibrant essence of the cosmic law of fulfillment penetrates the involved organs bringing to completion the multiple process of reproduction. The soul that is about to descend into physical existence and be given a new field for additional experience must prepare extensively to be ready for its future. The soul must understand its dominant weakness

and build the necessary strength to avoid defeat. Strengthening is accomplished in association with the Guiding Force whose methods exemplify the Divine Will.

The creation and evolution of the universe is a field for extensive research that enlarges the field for exploration and gives mind the capacity for concentrated effort. It reveals the origin of life consistent with preconceived models. The origin of the species as found textbooks of the 1930's needs correction. This perspective is far-reaching if based on a spiritual explanation for existence, but is limited if the explanation is restricted to physical evidence. The undivided spiritual and physical universes must be the foundation for understanding. Only this cosmic understanding will support the development of a true explanation of existence. Cosmic power bestows existence and sustains the spiritual and physical universes in infinite space.

The cosmic conception is a term used to refer to the creation of the universe. It is the supreme force generated through the will of the omnipotent God and is the means that promotes creation. It provides all divine components. All that exists in physical form is first created in its spiritual form. Thought is the means through which soul expresses desire. It must be originated and communicated through the cosmic impulse. The beginning ego must, through separation from the Great Whole, become aware and form the nucleus of the beginning soul. Cosmic existence includes both spiritual and physical existence and is created through the operative will of the Supreme Intelligence, God.

Oracle Twenty-Five

Cleansing is the means by which soul eliminates its accumulated impurities. It is the healing essence of love. A wound's impurities must be removed before the healing process may begin. Similarly, the Master-Physician of infinite skill and tenderness has arranged for the individual soul, when necessary, to receive that which produces a reversal of destructive thought. Sensuous living lavishly feeds material desire. However, when the feast is disrupted soul must pause and evaluate the situation in order to minimize or get rid of the interference. Desires associated with impure thought are satisfying until, through accumulated ills, appetite is altered to be more consistent with healthy development.

Suffering is a hardship on morale. It thrusts the dagger of defeated purpose into mind causing a serious disruption of life activities. There are of many types of suffering. Physical pain may teach soul the need for a closer unity with Divine Mind that is the single source of relief. Regardless of how relief is obtained, it comes from one source, the Master-Physician. Suffering may take the form of financial hardship to teach soul a lesson in values. In this way social status is eliminated. The soul may come to understand that all persons are equal in value because the divine spark that teaches equality has been heard and accepted. The surrounding wall of restricting beliefs within which soul functions may break bestowing additional freedom. All suffering teaches soul about the source of its strength. Physical conditions are the means through which physical action is restricted and the pace of physical activities is slowed. In this way mind is stimulated to increase its effort and is forced to motivate through its own initiative. Mind is encouraged to accept the circumstances because of the limitations imposed by the physical condition. Rebellion and despair are soul's emotional expressions of misery. Soul will experience a compensating peace after the conditions, limitations, and suffering have been fully accepted.

Anger forces an unfavorable condition upon soul. It is a lack of self-control and a weakness of morale. Some emotions detract from progress. Soul operates with limited insight and knowledge. Many crimes are the result of rage. In these cases impure influences must be considered since like to like is the law of progress. A rebellious soul in turmoil draws souls of like status. In this way additional strength is given to their effort. A dying soul takes only its own achievements whether spiritual strength or impure character. In some regions of the spirit world exist spirits who personify lust, hatred, and greed. The law of rebirth precisely regulates the exact plane of consciousness where souls function according to their spiritual understanding and wait for another descent into matter for additional experience. A soul whose inner light is dimming is in a state of spiritual decline. In this way the flame of hatred disappears, extinguished by its own fire, so that a rebirth of thought will take place giving the soul the incentive for pure intent.

Joy gives to soul a state of tranquillity that is peace sustained by unity with the Divine Mind. In this state the troubles of the physical universe are set aside and attention is centered on spiritual efforts that foster growth. Joy is the ecstasy through which the divine spark enlightens by spreading radiance over thought. Peace is the reflection of tranquillity. It stabilizes the soul so that it becomes a power for good. Peace does not identify with resentment or discord. When soul functions on this high plane of consciousness it becomes an instrument useable to produce a masterpiece. Such a soul may be inspired to produce something that enriches humanity. This soul may choose to use its healing abilities to participate in a humanitarian effort that reflects its close unity with the Divine Mind. This is the way of the true healer who does not use divine gifts for material gain. In this way Jesus the Master-Healer gave freely to all who demonstrated their worthiness through faith. Peace is the mirror through which soul reflects the Divine.

Ecstasy is the momentary attainment of cosmic consciousness. It is an illumination of soul through the radiance of Spirit giving an experience of higher consciousness. In moments of

supreme ecstasy an inspired leader incites others to respond. The evangelist whose spirituality is apparent, is advanced beyond the stage of selfish desire, and is thoroughly compassionate and self-denying may personify the Christic principle. This leader may set an example of supreme worth. Ecstasy is brief because soul may only momentarily sustain the high plane that gives the glimpse of Paradise.

Anxiety is the means through which unrest is exhibited. It is a response of soul being concerned and releasing the emotion of distress through its influence on mind. This is a weakness of will-power. Soul, if motivated by sustaining faith, accepts any ordeal bestowed realizing that all ordeals are purposeful. The compassionate Guiding Force will give to soul an ability to grow beyond fear and false beliefs as obstacles to growth.

Fear is the condition of inadequate faith. It originates in false beliefs and is similar to defeat. To protect soul from this disruption of peace, close the mind to fear producing influences and demand that it remain in control.

Emotions are states of perceptions through which soul communicates its desires. They give soul the required experience to understand both defeat and success. Emotions give will-power the opportunity to control and grow in strength, and they also allow weak will-power to experience fear, anxiety, and sorrow. These three emotions indicate a weakness of morale. Soul's compassionate impulse yearns to decrease suffering and current distress. It seeks to help however it can. The dominant essence of faith affects what is given. Soul indicates its natural strength through emotions. They build or tear down. They strengthen or weaken the morale that supports thought.

The varying grades of consciousness may be separated by the amount of control they have over mind to satisfy soul's choices. Consciousness may express compassion in speech and actions. This is an appearance of the divine element, Spirit, indicating spiritual community. This soul knows neither rejection nor condemnation because compassion influences thought. A wide gap separates compassionate from rejecting, condemning souls. One sees clearly; the other is blind. One has attained the grade of near-selflessness; the other reveals thought motivated by selfish purpose. One has seen the Divine recognizing it as the source of its existence; the other seeks to gratify the senses in this existence and rejects all other motives. Only the following insures selfless acceptance: that transformation must be made from material to spiritual desire; that compassion must replace condemnation; and that the soul who laughs at the pure and holy must, through defeat and despair, come to an understanding of its own inadequacy. The soul that condemns simply reflects the weakness remaining within.

Oracle Twenty-Six

The Supreme Intelligence fulfills the omnipotent will through the special privilege of power. This power may wound soul in an attempt to assist growth. It may be the physical condition that causes bodily suffering. It may be the mental unrest of constant thoughts about defeated purpose. Soul forces upon mind the necessary condition for growth since soul is Spirit's means of expression. It may cleanse consciousness through anguish. Pain is a tool used by the Master-Physician to cleanse and remove weaknesses so that the healing and comforting essence may be perceived and sought.

Regret is the anguish experienced by a soul striving to correct error. It is an accelerated understanding and growth process. Soul becomes aware of its error and strives through rehabilitation to correct the fault. Anguish is the means through which understanding comes. It is seeing a dominant weakness reflected in the mirror of the soul. Soul also realizes the extent of its weakness with crystal clearness.

Hysteria is the mixed emotions of gladness and pain. Soul's reasoning fluctuates and lacks the strength for control. It is a dangerous condition because soul is close to experiencing an extended mental malfunction. Shock, worry, and strain all tend to produce hysteria. It is a condition where the nervous system rebels and forces upon mind the active expression of two opposing emotions.

Sorrow associated with permanent loss teaches the soul the necessity for historical review. Soul as guardian questions mind asking for proof of continued existence after physical death. The mind responds to soul's question and investigates within consciousness for a satisfactory answer. Soul uses various means to satisfy its natural yearnings at the urging of Spirit. Sorrow is a process that breaks through the hard, brittle shell of selfish desire. Its crystallized surface dissolves beneath a flow of tears that causes great discontent. The advanced soul who is sustained by faith sees Sorrow as an angel in disguise, a messenger from the Most High bestowing the promise of an eternal spring. The unenlightened soul sees only darkness and despair.

Grief is the condition that attacks soul when a loved one dies. Its intensity hardens the consciousness leaving despair within. Relief is available from only one source, the Master-Healer. He heals by tenderly creating a covering for the memories that cause Sorrow until the memories and death are mellowed to resemble a soft night's dream. The average mind thinks of the process of dimming memory as time. The advanced mind sees love personified reflected in the processes of the Divine.

Soul is a cosmic creation and the tool through which the Divine Will operates. It becomes adaptable to His purpose through the will of the Supreme Intelligence. Soul is the active tool by which influence is established. In unity with other souls of like status it establishes the generation through which evolution is fostered. Detached, it works as a separate unit with the power of individual thought. Soul will identify with and obey the Divine Will when its evolution is complete, when soul no longer experiences physical death, and in union with other souls. In the Divine Will's service it will be a living example of the law of control. To realize that the Supreme Jehovah, or God, manifests power whose magnitude is without limit and that this Will is made physical through divine decree is to accept this source of power as supreme. Through the mediation of the Beloved Son, the Christic Being, the law of universal existence is revealed. Jesus the Son reflects the Supreme Will and exercises control by personifying the selfless soul. The process by which the soul becomes selfless and therefore qualified to actively further and represent the divine plan is to complete the cycle of evolution to the point that physical death is

no longer required, to ascend through the many planes of consciousness eliminating all but the desire for service, and to long for an ever-increasing unity with Divine Mind. In this way the Guiding Force maintains operational control in order to foster the creative unfolding of the universe through invisible service.

The celestial status designates a supreme achievement. It is an attainment of Christic consciousness in which soul has become selfless. Soul knows but one will - the Divine. It accepts only the laws bestowed by the Christic Being which control the universe. It functions within an understanding that prohibits intolerant judgment. Soul embodies divine compassion that is immeasurably deep and based on love. Soul in its affiliation with Christ serves in whatever capacity is needed with no soul choosing its field of service. It accepts its assignment without question. Service is lived through obedience, service, and humility.

The material mind demands proof of the existence of a Superior Deity. It does not see within Nature the handiwork of the Divine. It accepts the physical universe as happenstance and discounts the existence of anything not physically provable. An attempt to convince a soul at this stage that life continues in the spiritual universe is exhausting because this soul is not at all receptive to its Spirit. Immature souls accept only a small part of that which satisfies the advanced soul. The development and maturation process is left to the Guiding Force when immature souls refuse the nourishment of advanced teachings. Don't harm your own soul in a hopeless effort to enlighten another. Each soul develops according to its own previously approved plan. To force the bud weakens the plant by diverting its vital energy. In this way soul matures into love through natural rather than artificial means. Love alone provides understanding.

Religion is the name given to the philosophy focused on soul's fulfillment. It sustains thought and is the reason for controversial beliefs. Each stage of evolution interprets divine existence, desires, priorities, laws, and relations consistent with its understanding. As a result countless belief systems have developed throughout the many levels of development. To rob a person of the belief that satisfies the soul is a mistake because everyone absorbs only the ingredients consistent with personal craving. Therefore, respect the beliefs of your associates without taking away that which provides support. Soul will explore religion further when it is ready for additional experience. Each soul will naturally accept its own maturation and fulfillment under the influence of Spirit.

Universality is the blending of all beliefs and philosophies within holistic understanding. Prejudice, antagonism, and racial discord are all dissolved through the divine essence of love that purifies and clarifies mind. Souls become receptive to the Master's teachings. As part of holistic universality the Master requires that the bond of community be lived. Holistic community is the ultimate for the individual soul with Spirit, the cosmic act of love, being the connecting link. Love is the Supreme Will in action. The individual soul may be an example of love through its purity and selfless service. Soul, when the cycle of evolution is complete and energized by Spirit, becomes one with the Divine Mind and functions as an active part of it. All-embracing, all-forgiving love gives all and denies no one.

Oracle Twenty-Seven

Atoms are the building blocks of the universe and can be taken apart and analyzed. Their content and functioning become a study of vast interest. They form the structure of all elements and objects through union. Atoms can be analyzed in minute detail. The inter-penetrating essence that gives matter the ability to combine must be recognized within the atomic structure. Atoms are also saturated with the cosmic inflow that bestows vital essence. Therefore, to understand the physical universe rests upon understanding the atom that is the essential and separate unit of construction. To further dissect the atom is not useful here since the minute atom is being discussed in relation to the physical universe. Flowing from the supreme realm in cosmic expression and permeating all space is the omnipotent will of the Supreme God through which universal control is established. The spiritual universe contrasts with the physical universe and supports it through the cosmic power. In this way all creation is sustained. The individual soul and the generation of mass-souls progress through the evolutionary cycle. All are the active production of the Supreme Will. All were created through divine enactment as an expression of His power through cosmic intermediaries.

The cosmic force expresses the Supreme Will by adopting various methods. It demonstrates supreme power through universal control. It sustains the infinity of space when directed within a planet's orbit. Within the individual soul it gives soul a means of expression. Through its vibrant quality it animates the tiny grain of sand and makes possible the unity through which mass evolves. The Supreme Will creates a sense of awe in lightning's strength even though this magnitude reveals only a small fraction of its intensity. Humans accept the active operation of Nature as happenstance not realizing that it is an expression of the Divine Will. When directed toward one practical application it is electricity that creates light to eliminate darkness. The many uses of electricity demonstrate its power. Various intermediaries further the progress of humanity in many ways.

Ageless wisdom includes the creation of the physical universe. Within the supreme heights and the many planes of consciousness creation has always been an active part of the Supreme Will. The various planes of consciousness are functional parts the evolutionary process. Within these planes are souls who alternate from physical to spiritual experience with precise control. These souls demonstrate progress through the operation of the karmic principle's law of progress. The physical universe is but a dim replica of the spiritual universe. It is the means through which soul experiences disappointments in order to become aware of its weaknesses. To realize that the creative impulse promotes progress and provides incentives is to turn in reverence to the source from which soul receives the stimulus for growth.

Spiritual review lends itself to investigation in only one way. The soul who has eliminated selfish purpose and renounced material desire wants only to serve in whatever capacity asked as a result of direct union with divinity. The humble soul will receive from the Master Minds the teaching that the Elder Brother has decided to give humanity at large. This teaching will explain the universal principle that outlines the path of selflessness through willing obedience. The status of selflessness is the ultimate for each soul. From the celestial heights Jesus, the Christic Being, turns to humanity and extends the love, understanding, and divine essence of compassion through which He healed centuries ago. Soul will have the assurance to look through and beyond the illusion of material aspiration in order to clearly see the radiance of the Divine by accepting the reality of the spiritual universe governed by the Christ who represents the Great Father, and by accepting the law of rebirth as the eternal spring through which growth is fostered rather than perceiving rebirth in fear and dread.

Functioning within the supreme heights beneath the leadership of the Elder Brother, Jesus the Christ, is the invisible Guiding Force. Jesus supervises and the Guiding Force serves selflessly with the desire to lighten burdens. The Christic principle, which is the Law within which control is exercised, includes love, understanding, and compassion. These are a necessary part of selfless existence. The soul that serves lovingly does not condemn. The soul that lightens burdens serves in this manner stimulated by deep compassion. The giving soul does not desire a reward but is compensated by the joy of enlightenment and renewed fulfillment. The Christic principle is living universal truth. It teaches Divine Community that unites the Master's selfless souls. This is the ultimate and supreme achievement to which each soul may aspire.

Jesus the Christ who serves humanity as Elder Brother said that certain documentary evidence be given regarding the continuation of life. Therefore, the separation between the physical and spiritual universes is to be partially withdrawn. Also, pure souls may reproduce the laws from the Eternal Records through which the dark cloud of spiritual disbelief will be lifted from humanity. This is a process of revelation. The mind that rejects spiritual reality must live within restricted thought until, through evolution, the soul becomes receptive to the light. Minds seeking to confirm the laws that govern soul's fulfillment will be satisfied by current teachings. The enlightened souls who publicize the laws from the Eternal Records will experience prejudice, hostility, and harsh criticism. However, the increased knowledge and faith received by these souls will compensate for the rejection by tradition that can not give satisfying, holistic explanations of existence.

The Book of Life, which certain philosophies call the Eternal Records, is the transcript of the Recording Angels. Herein is recorded the ageless wisdom because it includes the creation of the universe. Explanation is not permitted beyond this wisdom. Mind functioning through the brain does not have the ability to understand further so it must of necessity increase its efforts within current experience. Recorded within this divine explanation is the record of the individual soul, and the laws that further progress and identify controlling influences. The creative impulse wishes to share that souls are divided into varying functional stages of consciousness based on spiritual understanding. Everything is revealed. Beyond these remarkable factors of existence are the laws that govern the progress of the soul. The Infinite One said these laws will be shared so that anyone who wishes may decrease the length of the evolutionary cycle by understanding, and may correct the mind through control of thought. Thought may be the source of mental and physical hardships since thought is transformed into speech and actions through mind.

Part Two

Oracle Twenty-Eight

Beloved, listen to the words of your Elder Brother who speaks to you.

Humanity must accept universal ideas. Divine Community is the means through which unity will be established. You must work with rather than against each other.

Unto you comes the Living Word alive as and sharing love, tenderness, and compassion. Within the Word is the Law, and within the Law is obedience.

The person who lives within the Law is not afraid because the soul, in unity with the Divine Mind, abandons false beliefs that are a source of fear. The person who lives in love reflects the divine radiance because eternal Light illuminates soul. Come closer to the source of the Divine because within it is the end of pain and the sole source of strength. The person who is spiritually weak submits to self-serving material desire. Desire presses soul to comply. The person who turns away from material desire and thereby rejects it knows the peace that sustains. Only in peace is there tranquillity that gives the power of constructive effort to soul.

Oracle Twenty-Nine

Accept the Living Word that will illuminate the path to fulfillment.

Remove doubt that will blind vision of the pure and holy. The person who walks in darkness does not see the Light. Within the gloom of the darkened mind all things appear dark. The person walking in the Light sees all things revealed since the Light within is Divine.

The mind grows within its developmental process. It gives the joy of a sustained peace or bitter defeat. It is the mirror through which soul reflects its desire.

Sustain the mind with tender understanding so that its reflection of the Divine is with unequaled clarity.

Within consciousness is everything a person has accumulated as a result of past experience that led to joy or tears. A crop of fulfillment can not be harvested unless the seeds of spiritual longing are planted. This is how the Law works. The fruitless weed symbolizes diseased grain. A harvest of much fruit is an example of the law of fulfillment. An eventual harvest will depend on the seeds planted within the soil of experience.

A person cries and shouts when hardship tears the soul. Only at these times is the unalterable karmic law and its consequences remembered. It gives or takes according to the debts acquired.

Karma is the credit or debt that soul has earned whether joy or sorrow, peace or despair. The Ledger of Life records the results according to the soul's activities.

A debt is destructive if it is not paid. It is a burden upon consciousness until paid in full by constructive effort.

Oracle Thirty

The Law expresses the means through which evolution takes place and the universal principle is governed. It requires willing obedience. A cooperative person does not experience hardship because soul does not owe painful debts that need repayment. A person who ignores the Law experiences extreme hardship. When the Law is broken the Law in turn breaks the individual will.

A person is to give of one's plentiful supply. Don't withhold something that would enhance another. Share the treasure. It will not be used up because unto the person who gives the original treasure will be returned and more.

Willing obedience is submission of the individual will. It accepts the Law. A person who rejects the Law and chooses individual will instead forces upon soul the hardship of error. Just as the Law is patient in its permanent firmness, its discipline is initiated when it is violated.

Spiritual laws govern the universe. A person who accepts this and sees each aspect of spiritual law as the manifestation of love does not experience defeat. In acceptance is enthusiastic compliance.

Universal thought is an example of the implementation of the Golden Rule. A person does what one desires to be done in return. A person should not cause pain because pain is not wanted in return. A person will not steal because personal peace is treasured. A person will not refuse to help another because help may be needed in the future. A person gives lovingly because of the desire to receive love. This is living within the ageless Golden Precept.

Oracle Thirty-One

The Living Word flows so that within the heart of humanity will be born a desire for the Divine. It flows as a river of peace sweeping away in its current the prejudice of restrictive beliefs. The Living Word opens the mind to holistic understanding allowing the seeking soul to enter. It teaches about a love that exceeds all understanding, a compassion that is endlessly deep, and tenderness that is divine. The healing essence of love comes from the source of the Supreme Deity. Through the Christic Being is outlined the Father's will. It receives all who ask and refuses none. It accepts the person who yearns and embraces with a healing essence of understanding. It cleanses the heart and stimulates constructive effort. The Living Word gives the strength that will sustain in the varied tasks of experience.

The person who lays soul's burdens at the feet of the Living Christ receives forgiveness as a result of repentance. Repentance includes the desire to be transformed into a new existence. The soul is required to rebuild that which was destroyed through restitution. Through insight the soul renounces its error of harmful thoughts and becomes an example of Divine understanding. Soul receives forgiveness only by paying accumulated debts through the elimination of errors that prevent growth and by making restitution.

Oracle Thirty-Two

The vine attaches to a supportive limb. It weighs down and uses the limb's strength that sustains it. In this way a weaker soul seeks support when damaged by the storms of life. A person who supports others in love does not know a lack of strength. A person who ignores a weaker soul will find one's own strength insufficient. This is the way the law works. The person who is weak becomes strong by being supported. However, it is also true that a strong person becomes weak if one does not help a weak person.

Compassion surrounds with love. It does not harm. Hatred causes pain by wounding. Within compassion is fulfillment. Within hatred is defeat.

Love surrounds with tender arms to lift the wounded and assist the weak. It is sustained by Divinity. The person who is an example of love has entered enlightenment and sees the source of the Divine.

Hatred originates in evil. It intentionally causes destructive wounds. The person who wounds does not love because of living in the darkness of spiritual immaturity.

Spirituality gives to soul the essence of the Divine. This is the source of love. In this way the Father gives love to every individual soul so each may be an example of the wealth of His kingdom.

Wealth is not material accumulation. It is the treasure of the soul. It is an accumulation that is eternal. Wealth does not fade like a broken flower but gleams with eternal Light.

Desire provides a varied path for soul's expression. It leads to the pasture of peace. It also lures to the desert of despair. Each soul chooses the path that expresses its natural longing.

Desire lures the soul by giving false promises of achievement. The soul turns to the false and believes it will bring peace. Peace will not be achieved until soul understands its dominating weaknesses.

The Light that illuminates comes from within. It flickers like a candle flame revealing ineffectiveness and instability until it burns with a steady fire of sustained purpose.

A person who fans another soul's flame causing harm builds destruction. A person who tenderly shields a weak soul until the flickering Light becomes steady builds that which is eternal.

A person speaks readily of the Light but only grasps material desire. Light illuminates. The eternal Light is imperishable and comes not from outside but from within.

Oracle Thirty-Three

Dawn promises the Light's fulfillment. Darkness fades as a phantom of the mind. In this way the soul comes into the Light of divine understanding and the barriers to growth disappear that were caused by false beliefs.

Soul expresses varying emotions based on desires. The soul sings in joy and sighs with despair. In this way each soul expresses its reality. Each emotion is typical of a stage of growth giving soul additional experience.

The Master Intelligence created the individual's eternal spark, Spirit. He gives the eternal spark to every soul. All are created equal in value at the beginning. Ultimately all souls will merge in the Divine and establish the Divine Community through which the Living Christ expresses His Will.

Christ-consciousness becomes apparent through selflessness. The Law requires that the individual soul build a cross and crucify its materialistic, self-serving self thereon as an example of selflessness.

Selflessness embraces the Christic Principle. The person who is an example of this supreme status lives in divine relationship with the Living Christ and serves within the unity that the Divine Community provides.

The Christic Being is among and with all. He receives every soul seeking His living Presence. However, He does not come until each soul lifts its voice of Spirit asking for Divine Audience as a response to intense longing.

The means through which each soul enters the Holy Presence is by soul wholly identifying with and being influenced by Spirit. Within the Silence is the spiritual universe. Soul in this vast infinity knows neither fear nor distress because the physical means to experience these emotions are absent when the Divine refuge is entered.

The Silence surrounds and embraces each soul that enters with a coat of peace. This coat is the way in which the healing essence is revealed. The soul leaves with the armor provided by peace which guards against hostility and returns hostility to its source.

Oracle Thirty-Four

The Law applies in two ways. It gives and subtracts. It gives peace as a reward for constructive effort. It imposes unrest for damaging activities. Soul either builds or tears down morale. The person who accepts the Law and lives within it lives in harmony. The person opposing the Law is motivated by discord. The unalterable karmic principle regulates the activities of soul giving to each what is earned.

The karmic principle represents the law of cause and effect. As each soul gives happiness or pain so will it receive. It knows the tranquillity of deep contentment or the profound unrest of unproductive purpose. The soul who opposes divinity is greatly saddened. The soul who affirms divinity receives the Bread of Life. This is how the Supreme Will operates.

Charity encourages the spirit of bounty. It gives without asking in return. In love it gives what meets the individual's need. Charity is very patient. It supports and lifts the tired soul. Spirit inflicts hunger on a soul that stings like a wasp. It seeks to motivate the soul to make efforts by way of hunger for spiritual food and thirst for the Wine of Life. The person who satisfies this hunger and thirst is given charity from the Supreme Will.

Look into the person's eyes and see the soul's appeal when someone comes to you in poverty. The soul will seek in love and resignation if the person is humble. Embrace with compassion and do not withhold food if a stubborn and rebellious soul demands that physical hunger be satisfied. This hungry person does not know sustained well-being. The presenting need of a hungry person is either poverty of spiritual understanding or lack of material means.

Poverty is a means through which soul is taught. Soul may have earned a reversal of circumstances through rebellion. It must turn to the source of the Divine. It may be necessary for this soul to experience poverty as a means of growth. Soul will make spiritual progress if it accepts its circumstances in resignation and recognizes the working of the Supreme Will. A rebelling soul's path to a full understanding of its dominating weakness will be long and twisting.

Selfishness is greedy and deceiving. It does not consider its companion but cries and desires for the self. It does not want to help others but wants to be helped. Selfishness does not seek to comfort others but to be comforted. The person living in selfishness seeks only gratification of personal desire. The person does not live the Golden Precept. The person seeking aid must learn how to give before self's pain comes to an end.

Love, charity, and compassion are the fundamental elements of the Christic principle. Love embraced all that exists. It finds its root in understanding which in turn embraces love. All-embracing, all-surrounding love gives all and asks for nothing. It is wounded by, endures, and crucifies the materialistic, selfish self. This is love.

Compassion is born of understanding and originates in love. Love gives birth to tenderness that surrounds compassion. Tenderness is the outward expression of love. Greater love has no person than to sacrifice and give one's life for another. This is the supreme sacrifice. The person who lays all down has in one act ascended the Cross.

Love is an enemy of peace when transformed into the mask of passion. It is desire that takes without giving. A false friend wears passion's mask because it is an example of lust that destroys rather than builds. Passion wears many masks. It charms disguised as love. It tears apart the heart and thrusts the dagger of pain into the soul. This deceives the soul causing it to retaliate by

becoming bitter. Passion flames with desire. It hardens consciousness. To stop the foe of peace from entering, be pure before Passion's eyes and this will cause Passion to grovel in the dust.

Lust is evil. It makes soul into a slave. It forces the harms of falsehood and gratification upon soul causing a deadly wound. It spreads despair. Soul descends. It associates with evil companions with destructive impulses. The person walking in Lust does not know love because lust only seeks indulgence that takes all and gives nothing.

Oracle Thirty-Five

I give to you love so you may fulfill the Law.

The person seeking the everlasting treasure does not ask for material accumulations. A person accepts that which one has realizing that whatever it is, it has been earned to satisfy personal needs. It may not meet one's desire because desire is not need. Therefore, the person who accepts what one has without complaining walks in peace.

Peace surrounds the soul with contentment. A peaceful soul is unaffected by hardship and antagonistic motives. Peace lifts; it sustains; it heals. It is infinitely deep and knows neither limitation nor measurement. It comes as an expression of the Father's will. It rewards soul for voluntary selflessness. Peace is not found in the material heart because such desires close the door. It comes like the dawn enhancing thought with its radiance. Peace leaves like a sunset dimming soul's expression to darkness when a weak soul listens to Desire. The person surrounded in peace knows neither resentment nor hatred since love is being lived.

Peace makes soul into a Divine temple whose entrances radiate Light. It favors neither one side against another nor any one system of beliefs since it is holistic, universal. It favors no race or social status, or how could it be love? Therefore, anyone creating racial or social barriers of any kind obstructs peace and is its shadow.

The Living Word comes. It teaches the crucifixion of the material self. It illuminates the path the individual must travel. It gives the laws that govern fulfillment. The person who rejects these laws also rejects the Living Word and, thereby, denies the spiritual self. This denial causes poverty for the soul. Truth comes from only one source. It originates in the Divine. It teaches about the Living Christ whose compassion embraces everyone, whose love surrounds everyone, and whose tender concern is tangible. The living truth is a part of all belief systems and philosophies. Truth is always concealed so the seeker must strive to find it. It is not obvious. It wraps itself in beauty so that immature souls will be intrigued by its radiance. The person who ascends through the stages of consciousness, whose soul demands pure experience of the Living Word, who crucified the material self in order to desire and live only selflessness will find in the Living Word the sweetness and refreshment of life.

He who gives makes His living presence known through the written word.

Oracle Thirty-Six

The Light is eternal. It fills the universe and gives thought its splendor. It reveals the Divine. It enlightens the soul and reflects the Spirit's radiance. It makes all things clear to a soul who seeks in faith and devotion. The Light that gives soul its power of expression comes from one source, the Divine.

The person who reflects the Light reflects love by giving from the soul's treasure. The person illuminates the path for others. Love personifies the Father's will. It is all-powerful. It gives all without taking. To reflect the Light is to not walk in darkness which is the independent mind. A non-spiritual soul living through the mind obstructs the Light. Consequently, soul submits to and obeys mind rather than making mind its assistant.

Mind pushes hardship onto soul through habit. It refuses to obey preferring to indulge habitual, material, selfish desire. Mind will become obedient through control. Mind is a hard master but it makes a cooperative assistant when soul imposes compliance. The process of control is given to soul by the Spirit's spark that represents the Light.

An individual's Spirit is part of the divine, is eternal, and expresses the Divine Will. It shines like a star when soul obeys the Law. Spirit is pure and semitransparent. It shapes soul into a temple whose altar of spiritual desire is eternal. The person who perceives the Divine within all others does not hate. The understanding person accepts all weaknesses compassionately and knows the ongoing influence of the Infinite Spark.

Soul makes a sacred altar of spiritual desire. It lights the candle of peace. The incense of love is everywhere revealing the Divine's presence. Soul shares its wealth by building a temple and permitting others to enter. The person who builds a temple but does not share it with others dims the spark of faith that emits Light inconsistently.

Love gives radiance to soul. It enhances and shines in thought like a thread of gold. The person who speaks lovingly reflects the Divine. The person who creates ill will is like a thread of unclean rags.

The traditional mind builds a temple whose altar of desire obstructs hope. Its candle's flame is dim preventing an increase in radiance. The candle of the soul should be fanned to increase its brilliance as worshippers pray and give at the altar of the Divine.

The person who accumulates gold without sharing with those in need is bankrupt. This person is like someone who carries a barrel filled with a drink from the gods but refuses to quench one's own thirst.

The Spirit is the Wine of Life. It provides the invigorating drink of existence. Experience is the foam produced as a consequence of soul's animation by Spirit, or is soul's bubbling into destruction.

Wisdom is within holistic thought. It embraces the fundamentals of truth. Wisdom discloses only its outer surface to a person with casual interest. The person seeking wisdom must do so passionately like looking for diamonds. Wisdom is buried deep within the soil of thought. Understandings obtained from surface knowledge are but a shadow of wisdom.

Oracle Thirty-Seven

Pride reveals the false self-perceptions in which soul clothes itself and points to the vanity that permeates thought. The cloth of vanity is thin. Vanity is torn apart exposing the immature soul in its weakness when the harsh wind of hardship blows.

Pride controls mind and soul before destruction. It shows off its pompous conceit. Hardship plunges the soul into neediness and pride seeks to express its humility within its agitation. Humility reveals the natural strength of the soul. In humility soul comes closer to its Spirit and recognizes the Supreme Power of which it is but a tiny part.

False wisdom speaks out loud with a piercing tone. The reserved person expresses strength with a calm, soothing tone reflecting advanced maturity.

Soul accepts according to the stage of evolution in which it functions. It accepts the simple broth that reveals a concentration of divine essence, or it demands the wine whose bubbles do not sustain.

Drinking alcohol to excess imposes a supreme hardship on mind. Mind's sustaining strength is taken and is replaced by a profoundly influential weakness.

Wine represents the Spirit's activity. It points to the effervescing clearness that gives proof of spirit life. Or, without effervescence it symbolizes a refusal to give up inactivity.

Evolution gives soul the power of expression. Soul remains inactive until it awakens to a spiritual dawn as a result of pain.

What matter does it make when the death comes on the wings of Time if soul is ready for flight? The unfinished task makes soul complain and sadly ask Time to delay death.

A person does not know the moment of death. The person speaks about the process of death in hushed tones of dread. The transition through which soul ascends to a broader field of activity involves birth into an understanding that includes the whole of the new life.

Caution influences soul to not speak of Eternity lightly for fear of entering it immediately. The passageways of Eternity welcome the universal. Each person will enter eternal life following physical birth when it becomes aware of the Light.

Oracle Thirty-Eight

From far off comes the call. Soul may turn a deaf ear refusing to hear, or it may respond with enthusiastic joy. The response made is determined by soul's stage of growth. The bell calls whether heard as a depressing ring or a note of celestial beauty.

A person says that soul defies examination, and that mind supplements thought. The person does not understand what is being said. However, reality will be revealed in the spiritual universe without the obstruction caused by the physical body.

The mind is like a sieve through which soul pours the content of thought. The contents of thought as an expression of the soul may be received and flow through without obstruction, or its mesh may collect impurities. It depends on the person. An active mind allows all to flow through and filters out the gold. A passive mind will collect life's contents without separating the gold from the impurities.

Mind receives the mixed content of thought. It places all its content into consciousness where it remains until the waste becomes an unbearable burden that is discarded through understanding.

Mind complements the brain but may overload it. It learns to obey by practicing compliance. When experience becomes overwhelming the despairing brain will reject content and force the consequences of thought onto mind. This is a source of mental distress when mind is an irresponsible servant.

Service implies obedience to direction. The person who humbly, willingly accepts whatever is asked is not a rebel. A person who refuses to cooperate accumulates a need for discipline. The Law is certain. It applies in all fields of activity. No one escapes its consequences.

The Law brings order to the system. This is an important. The espionage that causes soul to regularly reverse its course is complicated.

Response is the test of soul's actions regarding requested service. Soul may refuse, hesitate, or comply responding according to its understanding. The person who refuses learns through pain the need for obedience. The person who hesitates will accept through gentle encouragement. The obedient person gives knowing the joy of rewarded effort.

A soul's spiritual strength is revealed according to how it responds to requests for service. The compensation provided is the reward. The peace of profound contentment stimulates joyful effort.

Oracle Thirty-Nine

The Book of Life reveals the source of creation. It contains within its diverse contents the wisdom of the ages. The advanced soul knows the process of recording wisdom as revelation, and its interpretation is known as sharing and union.

The fountain of divine understanding bubbles with the sparkling waters of truth. When swallowed the waters become the truth of Divine Will lived.

The Supreme Intelligence created the individual's divine element, Spirit, through which soul is influenced. In supreme wisdom He gives only that which sustains soul. A weak person criticizes the source of existence. Within consciousness, the mighty reservoir of thought and actions, is recorded the achievements of each soul. These recordings will remain until each soul becomes aware of its total content and understands the intricate process of evolution leading to fulfillment.

The Book of Life reveals the means through which soul attains the ultimate. It gives the laws through which control is made clear. These laws form the supervision extended throughout the universal kingdom. The laws are recorded in their pristine beauty and are the flawless gems of the Divine.

Supreme Intelligence created the individual soul in His own likeness. The divine element, Spirit, provides the influence through which the Supreme Will operates. Soul complements divinity. Through evolution it attains the spiritual penetration and purification required by the Holy Presence. The beginning soul does not live consistent with its Spirit. Soul becomes purified substance as it progresses along the path of evolution. Mind as an intermediary gives soul the means for physical expression. It is transformed into spirit when the evolutionary cycle is complete. Mind as known in physical existence is not needed with no additional physical lives.

The Holy Presence supplies the individual spark, or Spirit, that activates soul. Spirit is the Supreme Will expressed. Through its physical form it enlivens experience and ultimately is an example of the Divine. Soul becomes a purified essence through the purification process. It emerges from passivity to become the living, pulsating essence of divinity.

The Holy Presence requires the eventual activity of the individual spark, Spirit. It rests, it illuminates, and through evolution it returns to its originating source.

The Law nurturing evolution is permanent. Spirit requires a companion soul as a consequence of attraction. This is Spirit's opportunity to use contrast to influence soul's growth. The motivation of both individuals is increased and each soul will better understand its dominant weakness through comparison.

Mind's habits and demands to be in control push soul into hardship. To master the mind reveals the natural strength through which growth is nurtured.

Resistance to control is evidence of profound weakness. The Law is consistent. A resistant mind and soul must willingly obey.

The Supreme Will enforces control and knows the individual soul. The soul's evolutionary course is altered according to individual need after looking through the Eternal Records.

The soul does not sail in an unknown sea. By divine decree the soul sails the course applicable for growth. Using many means the Guiding Force indicates the course required.

Karma is the law of cause and effect. This is the process used by soul to eliminate its accumulated impurities. Within its principles no deviation is permitted. Its firmness is unyielding.

Supervision is the means through which evolution takes place and the universal principle is governed. These Invisible Forces who coordinate destiny are constantly with the soul in the physical universe. This is another aspect of the Law.

The cosmic element, Spirit, perpetuates thought and gives mind the means of expression through soul. The cosmic motivating force is everywhere-distributed and supports the infinite, immeasurable expression of Eternity.

Eternity provides the ultimate for soul's understanding. Soul does not understand Eternity's immeasurable content. Only the Supreme Deity through His majesty has the ability to penetrate the depths of His unlimited power.

Oracle Forty

Beloved, live within the commandments that have been placed before you.

Love one another. Love is the sacred tie that binds one soul to another. It provides the means through which soul becomes compassionate. It originates within the Divine. The essence of love is within the Father. Love gives without taking. In unselfishness it wishes to provide relief. It is all-accepting, all-surrounding, and infinitely deep. Love is the supreme height of selflessness.

Do not condemn or you will experience condemnation. The person who condemns is not compassionate. Within the condemning soul is a profound weakness because love has not penetrated thought. Rather, anger and antagonism forms its foundation. The person who condemns reveals the weakness that exists within one's own soul. The Divine is not seen within the other person, nor is seen the weary, long path required of this soul that leads to understanding. Give the tender essence of healing compassion to the afflicted soul.

Do not take from others anything that belongs to them. The person who takes from another will in turn lose what was valued. If a person takes another person's peace then one's own soul will experience profound unrest. If worldly treasure is taken then one's own earthly wealth shall likewise be decreased. If a good name is destroyed then that which is valued will be dragged in the mud. This is the way the Law works. It gives to each soul what the soul gives to others whether joy or salty tears.

Do not envy what belongs to a neighbor. The person who craves what belongs to another commits mental theft. Spiritual law sees the mental act as equal to the physical act because thoughts give birth to acts. The person who focuses personal craving on accumulating worldly treasure creates that which is subject to destruction. It will last no longer than the dawn when hardship strikes. To crave what is not one's own is jealousy. This soul has not taught mind how to be a trusted associate. Instead, mind tries to acquire more worldly treasure.

The person who lifts others, gives a helping hand, and sustains others in love builds elements of spirituality for the self. This indicates the spirit of sacrifice that eases pain and lightens an overwhelming, crushing load. The burden may be mental unrest. It may be of a physical nature when karmic law requires a readjustment. It may be poverty bringing hunger and destitution. Whatever the burden, the person who gives in love receives in proportion to that which is given.

Try to not take from another that which satisfies the other's spiritual yearning. Soul must continue absorbing what it craves if its beliefs give satisfying nourishment until growth extends and readies mental hunger to embrace a wider perspective of thought. Worship is the soul's loyalty and love presented in its inner temple of spiritual understanding. Nothing obstructs the humble person who seeks the source of personal existence.

Do not intentionally wound another in retaliation. If weapons of antagonism and hatred are directed against your inner temple, deflect them with the healing essence of love. The person who returns antagonism for antagonism and hate for hate does not know the joy of fulfillment. Doing this reveals a lack of understanding. Disarm hatred with love by overlooking weakness and focusing instead on the pure gold that is the Spirit's spark.

The person who walks in love walks in peace. Green pastures represent the plane on which the soul functions when desire is centered on spiritual attainment. It understands that physical existence is a stage of development through which soul must pass to learn valuable lessons. The

Valley of the Shadow represents the darkness of spiritual disbelief when the light of love does not penetrate soul's depths to illuminate and allow it to see the Divine.

A person who walks in fear is oppressed by false beliefs. Mental delusions and shadows of darkness are seen. Remove fear from mind because it pushes profound unrest onto soul and the soothing voice of reason can not be heard. The Valley of the Shadow is lighted to the soul whose faith illuminates the entire path. It appears to be nothing but a step across an entryway into the Divine.

Do not criticize others who error. The errant person is walking the same path that the critic walked. More advancement is required of the critic's soul even if it has advanced to a high plane of consciousness. Each person follows in the footsteps of the person directly in front. Look ahead so vision will be sure. The person behind looks to the person ahead for an example just like everyone looks on high for the ideal pattern for life.

The adulterer must first commit adultery in thought. Thought gives birth to the act. The law demands that the witness give evidence of proof. Spiritual law decrees that the soul having impure thoughts pass before the court of unprejudiced and unbiased judgment with Spirit forcing soul to understand its own error.

Mary Magdalene is symbolic of a lapse of virtue illustrating Nature's wrongdoing. The impulse to reproduce forces its desire upon soul. The weakened morale does not have enough strength to resist. The person whose mind is an obedient associate does not lust since an obedient mind would not allow impurities to enter. Mary Magdalene represents a person with impure, lustful thoughts. This is how spiritual law defines adultery.

Universal thought teaches that each soul finds its strength in worship. Soul seeks the source of the Divine and opens to the healing inflow of love through sharing with and helping others. It seeks worship when need is apparent. It does not deny the need for sharing. It sets no day apart as the day of worship because it lives within the law that says soul is to seek spiritual fulfillment with an ever-increasing passion. Soul has passed beyond the barriers of restricting belief. Each day is holy. This confuses the traditional person who systematically sets aside the Sabbath for worship. Structured belief systems are a necessary support for the soul dependent on guidance of the pastoral head, and leadership gives incentives for faithful membership. However, the soul whose thought includes all philosophies and beliefs, and the intrinsic worth of these has merged into a universal understanding seeks unity with Divine Mind that gives a tranquil calm of supreme contentment in solitary worship and meditation.

Oracle Forty-One

Beliefs are the perceptions used by soul to outline the path that its natural desire intends to use to meet immediate needs. Beliefs are accepted as satisfying nourishment, and allow young ideas expression when the soul needs a wider field of thought. The following is a weakness of a belief system. Anything that restricts creates a hardship. The soul and mind grow through continual expansion. Experience provides varied exploration. Soul should easily approach a more open example of spiritual enlightenment through tentative new ideas when a current belief system fails to satisfy or when the spiritual ingredients are no longer stimulating. This is not disloyalty. It means that soul desires further enrichment to satisfy its spiritual desires through growth.

Religious philosophy includes a wide variety of fields and diverse contents. It gives mind an inexhaustible supply to explore the various explanations of existence. That which is satisfying to one soul does not satisfy another. Each soul seeks a satisfying philosophy. The Eastern mind expands with supernatural beliefs. The more straight forward Western mind tends not to be attracted to Eastern philosophies. The Western senses are less practiced and less willing to concentrate for long hours in which the body is thoroughly disciplined. The differences between the varying stages of growth are the result of evolution. Each stage accepts the nourishment given by the Divine Law. It is a hardship to try to force soul into a belief system for which it is not suited. Each soul functions in the exact stage of evolution necessary for consistent growth as a consequence of preplanning.

Race is a dilemma for the immature mind because it does not see the other's Divine spark. The immature mind sees only the varying color-tones of the skin. Differences between races are not outward appearances or expressions. Differences come from evolution. The reason for varying habits and beliefs is because soul takes individual characteristics from the race in which it functions for the time being on its migratory journey. Evolution alone determines soul's exact plane of activity. For this reason there are varying religious beliefs with each race having an inherent tendency to respond to the teaching that has been provided for its faith. The intricate wisdom given to the individual soul by the Supreme Intelligence provides incentives for growth no matter which plane of consciousness it functions.

Oracle Forty-Two

The written Word contains the unalterable Law. People believe that the Law may be changeable. However, its principles are the revelation of the Supreme Will. The Law works for the ultimate good and requires willing obedience of the individual soul. The divine spark, Spirit, that lighted soul in its beginning must be strengthened into a glowing flame to demonstrate its strength. Evolution is the course through which each soul must pass ultimately becoming pure. People say: through personal preference the individual makes choices that provide experience. The Law replies: experience gives what the individual soul needs subject to divine oversight and control. This is the Law.

Happenstance is not part of the law of cause and effect. Everything has a purpose. Soul becomes aware of near-danger and is glad to escape. This is part of a preconceived plan. Soul is taught the necessity for caution through shock. There is a sense of insecurity as soul seeks within consciousness for the reason that this happened. The Law can not be changed. It constantly flows out and balances. It gives joy or sorrow, uncertainty or freedom depending on what soul has earned.

The Law establishes control and supervision. It teaches willing obedience. It makes each individual into a joyful servant in all circumstances. Only through the interventions of the Supreme Will is control expressed. The Law rules all that exists and extends throughout the universe. Do you know anyone not living within a law? The Law includes all living elements each a part of a hierarchy of control. Nature demonstrates the Supreme Will through many forms. It sustains the physical universe. It supplies everything that satisfies and sustains creatures and humans. Nature is the Supreme Force through which the Omnipotent God works His will.

The Supreme Will gives continuity to the universe. It supplies the immeasurably large force that sustains creation. The Supreme Will's expression is a cosmic influence. Within Eternity is that which exists in endless continuity having neither beginning nor end. In this way the Great Jehovah keeps the source of existence a secret. People think of creation as impossible to penetrate. The Immortal may view the entire universe due to the perceptual ability attained through purification. The Cosmic Mirror, or the soul's mirror of perception, reveals in its entirety that on which concentration is focused. It knows no limitations. The individual soul's divine element, Spirit, exerts its rightful heritage after manifesting itself in selflessness and having removed the impurities from soul through the crucifixion of material desire. Spirit penetrates all existing matter. Everything is revealed. The essence of existence is cosmic. It penetrates all without resistance. The divine spark is cosmic since it is as a tiny part of the Great Whole. Spirit, enclosed within mass-consciousness, forms the soul-structure through absorption. Soul-structure surrounds Spirit. Through the cycles of evolution soul becomes purified substance that gives support to Spirit and the means for Spirit's individual expression. This is the way the individual soul is formed and is the supreme achievement of the Divine Will.

The heaven-world is composed of countless planes of consciousness. People perceive this as a range of thought. The Immortal perceives the heaven-world as a state of existence with separations as expressions of the Law in all grades of progress. The Law says like to like. Ascent through the planes of consciousness is made through demonstrations of the soul's eligibility for advancement. Service is the means through which growth becomes apparent. Soul thinks it is a free agent because it may expressed itself through mind during evolution. Soul is not aware of the spiritual supervision it has received. Likewise, soul is not aware of the assistance provided by the Guiding Force whose suggestions and concentration influence constructive effort. Soul does not see the precise, fulfilling performance of the Law. Soul learns of its inherent weakness through diverse experiences. It becomes aware of the ineffectiveness of error. Experience

teaches endurance and acceptance, and makes soul into a joyful servant. Soul begins thinking itself as the master of its destiny. Experience reveals divine mastery that penetrates soul's will that leads to unquestioning obedience.

Existence in the spiritual universe gives soul the opportunity for remembering and insight. Soul sees its activities as a vast panorama from beginning existence to present status. It may see a weakened thread in the fabric of itself and through understanding it becomes stronger. It will return in a future physical life to test its strength. Continuity throughout rebirth is the law through which purity appears and is refined. Rebirth requires continuity since birth within all species is affected by the Law governing Natural reproduction. Humans reveal the advanced handiwork of Nature and are a product of the Supreme Will. The soul who honors Nature also expresses appreciation to the Divine. The Law assigns to each creation the exact area in which to function in order to meet its immediate needs. The spiritual aspect of all creations obeys the Law demonstrating the law of growth.

Consciousness includes the ability to understand. It reveals the inherent strength of soul as expressed in thought. Consciousness includes Spirit's urge that motivates existence through soul. Consciousness is the means through which the Supreme Will functions in individual effort. Consciousness is the expression of the individual's understanding of the Divine.

Consciousness gives soul the ability to act heroically. It is the receptacle where thought records its accomplishments. It retains everything giving soul the privilege of extracting and reviewing everything that is experienced or expressed. Consciousness may be a supreme store-house that may enrich humanity. Or, it may become an antagonist due to its oppositional character. Consciousness is the means through which soul shares its dominant desires. The person attaining the superlative state lives Christic consciousness. Each soul will eventually aspire to this achievement as the ultimate.

Consciousness has two meanings which can be confusing. It is both a state of achievement and a store-house of knowledge. When soul becomes a purified substance it assimilates mind. Mind becomes one with consciousness through the process of absorption. Soul reflects the divine impulse when it fulfills supreme achievement through spiritual attainment. Wisdom accumulated through existence has its source in truth of divine origin. Soul draws from the content of its own consciousness once it attains Christic consciousness. Through this awareness soul expresses the Divine.

Jesus the Christic Being lived as the supreme example of selflessness through the crucifixion. He illustrated the mediatorship through which the Omnipotent God expresses majestic will. In universal control this power is absolute. The Living Christ uses the advanced souls whose superlative attainment demonstrates their selflessness and worthiness as examples of the Supreme Will. Control is revealed from celestial heights. Through countless channels does this mediatorship extend and penetrate the heart of humanity.

The cosmic essence, which is the divine force, regulates the universal pulse. When necessary the tempo is slowed through a corrective process initiated by love and understanding so profound that humanity can not probe their depths. No searching soul in the spiritual or physical universe is denied the reception of comforting peace from the Living Christ. This is His gift of love and faith when soul renounces selfish purpose and material desire. Within the Silence soul finds the source of the healing essence. Soul emerges refreshed and with renewed strength. Whatever the soul needs to be uplifted and sustained will be found in communion with Spirit. Through supreme sacrifice Jesus gave to humanity an example of infinite compassion, all-embracing, deep love, and the ideal of supreme beauty. This sacrifice symbolizes the active expression and revelation of

the soul's source and individual efforts. Once this is realized, approach the house of individual worship and seek within the love expressed by the healing inflow of peace.

Oracle Forty-Three

All souls will ultimately achieve immortality within the Law. The beginning soul in group-form comes from the enveloping folds of mass-consciousness knowing no individuality or independence. This generation of souls migrates through varying and expanding experiences that outline the evolutionary cycle. Each soul adapts to its inborn individual needs and accepts its assigned path. In this way evolution provides the means for development. Soul emerges as a purified substance after the eons of time required for the cleansing process. It has accomplished the ultimate functioning within profound awareness of the Divine Will. Through selflessness soul expresses its fitness and worthiness to serve humanity beneath the direct supervision of and in union with the Master Jesus. The invisible Guiding Force who fulfill the Christic teaching function in this way.

The advanced soul's spiritual understanding accepts the existence of a vast group of active selfless souls, the Guiding Force, whose service expresses the Supreme Will. The advanced soul also realizes that control is the only way to establish and maintain order. Soul sees the aura of the beings within the Guiding Force when spiritual vision is awakened and it becomes aware of the spiritual counterpart of the physical universe. In this way the Guiding Force has become an accepted part in the fulfillment of spiritual existence. The material, immature mind ridicules what its incompleteness prevents it from understanding. The aura is the outer covering of the soul. Its glowing radiance reflects Spirit and appears like the Guiding Force. These selfless beings serve under active supervision to represent universal control. They are united by the dominant desire for service and respond to the love-essence that penetrates the soul in ever-increasing intensity as soul ascends to higher stages of consciousness.

The Silence provides a refuge for the soul. Within it soul leaves behind the worries of the physical universe and ascends to the realm of peace that is the height of its inborn yearning. Jesus the Master descended in physical being to create an ideal example of supreme and eternal beauty. When necessary Jesus entered the Silence of profound communion and received through Divine Audience that which revitalized and lifted soul, and instilled peace, tranquillity, and spiritual strength through which He became invulnerable to hardship. He withdrew and ascended to the Mount of supreme peace. From this high and superlative plane of consciousness He bestowed upon humanity the essence of His compassion. He spoke in words of wisdom so profound, so sublime, that they are etched in eternal continuity upon the Sands of Time. From the heights He helps humanity lighten its burdens, worries, and dark inclinations. He says:

Beloved, unto you comes the Spirit of the Living Christ. The love that surrounds and embraces is tender and compassionate. From the celestial heights comes the Voice that pierces the heart of humanity through its longing. The person who wishes shall drink from the Living Waters to quench one's thirst. Hunger shall be appeased for the person who finds that which is eternal. The person who turns away and rejects the Bread of Life will know nothing but the despair of defeated hope. The path to pursue peace that each soul must walk is prepared. A person will not find reality without spiritual insight. The person who yearns for the source of the Divine will receive when soul accepts the Living Word in faith and exists within it. The person seeking a trinket of material desire will not find the pure gold that alone satisfies. The healing essence flows into all who open to it. It breathes of peace and love. It is like a fountain into which soul immerses and comes out new through rebirth. The resistant soul lives fear and illusion having nothing but the desire of the flesh that is an overwhelming burden and destroys morale. Any person who wishes may enter the Holy Silence and find the soul's retreat. Within Silence, Spirit's flame is renewed through the divine essence, selfish purpose is crucified on the cross of sacrifice, and love is born from the yearning for service in order to alleviate the suffering that torments humanity like a monstrous illness.

The Living Christ speaks to you. Through a channel made adaptable by prearranged divine authority He addresses humanity to extend compassionate hands, to plead for all who suffer to turn to the source of the Divine, and to accept the Light that does not fail. What does worldly desire matter if it perishes when the harsh wind of adversity blows? Material treasure is fragile like the dawn. Only living divinity survives since it is the imperishable gift of love. A self-serving person seeks indulgence to stop pain. Indulgence is simply another deep swamp used by soul to try to conceal restlessness. Compassion must be the dominant yearning of the soul. It must teach that only the person who gives will receive in return. A person harvests only what has been planted. A person gathers only the harvest of one's yearning. A harvest of regret and remorse will follow when contrary seeds are planted. Gold does not become pure metal until the impurities have been removed. Soul has no peace until it willingly removes selfish desire. The person coming in faith and yearning will find a remedy for pain and unrest. Tender, embracing love will heal and penetrate the soul when a person humbly asks. The Divine Presence is made real through soul receiving the assurance that it seeks. If a person turns away and refuses the gifts, one must seek in unrest until a worn and weary soul once again hears and accepts the call.

Jesus wishes to comfort and heal. In living thought He shares the Word within which is the Law. The Living Word is shared so that humanity is given the assurance of the eternal life and continuity of the soul. The Living Word also illuminates the path that soul must walk to accomplish the ultimate achievement. It alone offers the counterbalancing peace that heals. Within the Living Word is the supreme and sublime assurance of love.

Oracle Forty-Four

Various belief systems define the religious principle. The person who finds what satisfies must of necessity accept it. The basic religious principle is truth. Beliefs give support to the soul through which it grows under the guidance of a leader. Soul responds according to its inherent needs and understandings. To separate a person from satisfying nourishment is to take away the person's peace. Soul unfolds like a flower with the petals of thought responding to the divine impulse. Mind desires an ever-widening viewpoint due to its effortless versatility. It sinks its roots into the soil of varied interests in response to incoming thought. Mind is living the normal law of growth when it reaches beyond the restricting boundary of its present belief system. An acute hardship is forced onto mind by denying its craving for additional enlightenment. Preventing the expansion of soul, mind, or body that Nature demands is to create near-paralysis. Belief systems are the frameworks in which soul satisfies its craving for spiritual nourishment through absorption.

Jesus the Master through His infinite compassion and divine tenderness was an example of the essence of love. He gave abundantly and withheld nothing that might enrich humanity. Through the healing essence He lifted the burden of physical illness. He freed the obsessed soul. He taught the Living Word to all who chose to understand. All these were the priceless gifts of His goodness. Countless souls have patterned their individual efforts and lives on the ideal presented. Jesus the man stands as a gleaming light to which the passing centuries have added a deeper radiance. From what source did the Divine Healer come? Descent was made from the high status of celestial existence to humanity through physical efforts and protection to share a glimpse of the sublime. Persons who reverently turn to the shrine of the crucifixion know that within the example presented is far more than a mere symbolic figure. The Supreme Intelligence willed that the beloved Son should give to humanity the supreme idea of rebirth. The crucifixion of the body should represent the experience through which each soul must pass along with its corresponding anguish. Selfish desire must be crucified on the Cross of its own construction. The selfish instinct must become non-existent. Jesus taught the multitude the art of divine healing by example. The human channel must first be cleansed, be made pure and holy for the Divine Fire that must necessarily come after voluntarily giving up selfish desire. No healer may transform physical illness into a state of non-existence unless the healer first has become innately pure through cleansing. This is the Law of divine interpretation. Jesus the Healer gave lavishly of His wealth of love. He received or accepted nothing in return. The Law reads: the divine element must be given freely without being degraded by a financial value set on its essence. Jesus through compassion, through a yearning to comfort, healed those who ask in faith. The person who approaches the Shrine of the Divine in faith is receptive to the divine inflow. The person who has no faith does not receive. This is the Law. Faith is the principal and the necessary attribute of the person who craves the divine healing. It is useless trying to repair a broken vessel that is not willing to be healed. The person who enriches self through the manipulation of a spiritual endowment creates a debt of supreme magnitude. No deviation is possible from one's principles if a person accepts Jesus as the supreme pattern. The Savior of humanity mingled freely with the multitude being humble, tender, and compassionate. Herein is a lesson of profound importance. The weakness of pride creates a cruel barrier of social differences. It separates the individuals or nations concerned by an impregnable wall. Where does pride originate? All souls are created equal in value. All souls emerge in the ultimate as equal in value. Of what importance is material treasure that creates social differences? Wealth reveals a surplus of plenty. The humanitarian impulse to share excess is good. The person who follows the impulse of lavish waste and does not share surplus will once again enter into physical existence to learn the lesson of equality through poverty.

Divine Community means the unity of souls in which love is the dominant characteristic. Love shares and lifts the burden of all misery. Love gives freely of its all. Love is not there if a nation

or a people take from each other in greediness. Greed is like a serpent that wraps its coils around soul and restricts its growth. Proof of greed's existence is its increasing strength as a weak soul gives permission to it.

Greed is like a monstrous sore that has spread over the heart of humanity and corrupted its standards. It is causing unrest with ever-increasing pain. Humanity does not understand. Immersed in its unrest humanity turns from the Spirit's urge and refuses its rightful heritage. What is gained if a person loses one's own soul? The treasure of the Spirit is eternal while the false activities of desire are brief.

Selflessness reveals Christic attainment. Selfish desire has been transformed into compassion. Love is now the dominant characteristic, a love that lives sacrifice and devotion, a love that lifts and heals the bruised and weary. Can you imagine a world without love? Only love makes a soul into a Light. Love alone provides the radiance that illuminates and enhances thought. Love alone is the shining significance whether it is an inspired leader or a theme of supreme beauty. The content of cultural literature would be dull and colorless were it not for love. Love praises the soul that reflects the Holy Radiance. The supreme and divine attribute of love comes from just one source. It is the direct reflection of the Father's all-embracing tenderness giving to soul its motivating Light.

Love gives and withholds nothing. Within these words is the achievement of the supreme sacrifice. Jesus ascended the cross and crucified selfish desire through subservience to Divine Will. Love was the dominating factor that supplied the necessary strength. Worship of and devotion to the Supreme God contributed support. He who personifies the supreme ideal reaches from celestial heights asking the individual to similarly approach the great Shrine of Universal Being. The soul must express its devotion and adoration to the Father. Within this is the source of all. To the messenger Son must humanity turn seeking the healing essence of relief within His example. The seeker must humbly bow to the Divine Will. Humility is the spiritual attitude that needs to permeate the soul. Dedication of the individual's will immeasurably enriches the mind. A person becomes aware of only a very tiny fraction of the infinite ocean of thought. The person who realizes this limitation takes a step forward because pride is like a closed door that prevents entry into enlightenment. From the heights of divine understanding is given the Master's message so the Light that illuminates the seeker's path may be shared with humanity.

Oracle Forty-Five

Religion gives to humanity an ideal useful as a pattern. It provides the means for soul to become aware of the Divine. It is the staff on which humanity leans in moments of distress and anguish. The individual soul interprets religion according to its understanding thereby indicating the stage of evolution in which it functions. Religion includes a countless variety of belief systems. Each belief system defines the narrow limits within which soul's expressions are permitted for all followers. Varying belief systems offer conflicting statements regarding the origin of the soul with each based on what its leadership accepts as the truth. This variance is extremely confusing to the soul who seeks to penetrate the mystery of existence through extensive research. The concept of religion gives to humanity the awareness of a universal God, a Supreme Being. A true definition of God may be summarized in a brief sentence: religion consists of seeking for the Divine and accepting the Word, or the Law. The submission of the individual will, or its willing obedience to accept supreme ultimatums, is the initial step toward unity with the Divine Mind.

Religion portrays how soul develops. Its contents are the foundation for thought whether beginning, young, or advanced. The thinking mind may not accept this statement. The criminal is a person lacking religious principle. The hardened, calloused criminal does not accept guidance from any source that attempts to instill a longing for enlightenment. The young mind is thoughtless and irresponsible. It seeks the trivial in life to satisfy material desire through irrelevant, superficial attainment. When crisis brings sorrow this soul turns to the source of the Divine in a child-like manner with impulses guiding its readily influenced nature. The somewhat more advanced soul tends to be brittle and more rebellious. Through inherent antagonism it refuses the suggestion for spiritual investigation relying instead on its own strength and initiative for effort. This soul feels secure. Being materialistic it places false values on human attributes. It will take bitter experience to teach such a soul about its inherent weakness. Souls are urged to respond constructively through compassionate understanding to the various stages of soul-growth and to provide examples that personify the pattern through which its beauty, its Spirit, inspires admiration. Barren soil does not receive and nourish the fertile seed. Seed spread within religious disbelief will die. Therefore, don't harm your soul by over identifying with the prejudices of an antagonistic mind. Leave to the experiences provided by the Guiding Force to restore this soul.

Religion includes many philosophies with widely differing thoughts. Examine with enlightened understanding the group of souls accepting any particular religion. This group's evolutionary functioning will be similar. It may be that the supervising leader is the only means of providing the guidance necessary to encourage constructive effort. Unity gives strength. It may be that friendship will unite this group for experience that leads to further growth. There are many reasons for such an association. To destroy what these philosophies have in common and unites them is to likewise destroy biblical understanding. The fundamental principle is based on truth. It may be that the sheer web of illusion, glamour, and mystery provides unity and intrigues the seeker by apparently impenetrable depths. A religion's intrigue for each soul is determined by the soul's inherent needs and the ability of the belief system to satisfy those needs.

Evolution includes all grades of matter. It reveals the divine element that motivates through growth and discovery. The mineral kingdom exhibits a constantly changing transformation with each element vibrating with the cosmic essence of existence. Flowers, a member of Nature's varied vegetable kingdom, is an example of diversity. Its perennial beauty spreads divine existence by its rebirth every spring. The animal kingdom from the lower lethargic forms to the canine intelligence provides evidence of a superior creation. Only the human is influenced by the divine attribute of the soul and reflects the divine urge, Spirit, to constantly expand the mind. The immature infant does not have the power of expression in speech. In time it grows into an

adolescent. With maturity comes thought that reveals the soul's inherent strength. To forcibly place a restraint upon the expansion of the mind by limiting its content to a narrow and restricted path is a profound hardship. The law of Nature, or Supreme Will expressed, requires that throughout physical existence the soul demonstrate ever-increasing growth through thought. Soul is supposed to widen its horizon through various experiences. Speech will become more well-rounded as a consequence of diversified knowledge. To eliminate all but one member of the floral kingdom would be monotonous to the senses. Thoughts restricted by monotony are similar to a barren field. A well-rounded person who demonstrates normal expansion has intellectually followed the path leading to the soul's growth.

Nearness encourages soul to make comparisons. It produces a model to copy. Whether copying is advantageous or destructive depends on the model. Close associations supply incentives for effort. The reason for urging various soul groups to model and copy is for experience. Only through experience does development take place. Disappointment, disillusionment, and the bitterness of defeat help soul understand the reasons for these outcomes. Within the most trivial circumstance is a reason. Nothing occurs by happenstance. Sometimes from a minor and apparently insignificant occurrence grave tragedies may materialize involving a group or nation wishing to retaliate. An initial grain of sand may become the beginning of an ocean beach showing its potential for strength in unity. In this way circumstance through an inconsequential occurrence creates the conditions for international discord. To underestimate the trivial occurrence and to think it is happenstance is to misunderstand the laws that govern the soul's evolution.

The concept of religion provides a basis for conclusions about the origin of existence. It accepts the Supreme God as all-powerful. It naturally honors this Supreme Force. Soul may deny the existence of the Supreme Force until in bitter anguish it realizes its many weaknesses. The Omnipotent God is the origin of the soul. The soul begins to demonstrate control once this is accepted. Control is given through the mediation of the Christic Spirit. This control is the source of the healing capacity and love's expression that penetrates the universe. This may truly be called the Christic Spirit. The universal principle is expressed through countless channels of control. The expression of the Divine radiates from supreme heights through the channel of thought. Thought is the means through which the Supreme Being demonstrates control, which is also the essence of the Divine. The cosmic universe is His power revealed. It is sustained through the immeasurable force. Throughout the universal kingdom Master Beings interpret the Supreme Will and function under the permanent control of selflessness. This mediation involves ever-present supervision. Thought is the cosmic expression of the Divine and is found in the realm of existence that requires interpretation of the Divine for soul. It radiates throughout the infinity of space with varying degrees of strength and depth. Each soul is receptive to thought according to the stage of evolution in which it functions. The Supreme Will is expressed by thought so that through evolution ultimate selflessness becomes an actuality.

Oracle Forty-Six

If a human soul centers its longing on acquiring material treasure its accumulations have no permanent value. It builds an unstable temple with changing material needs. Unfavorable conditions may cause the foundation to crumble and disintegrate causing a collapse of the whole structure that involves an entire lifetime of accumulation. After passing through the transition known as death the value of these material treasures will be known to be temporary. The material mind thinks of the Great Beyond as a realm of shadowy unreality while the advanced mind knows it to be reality.

What does soul have to advance when it passes through the Portals of the Infinite at physical death? It leaves behind all it accomplished to enrich or impoverish humanity. Soul takes its impure achievements that will prove disturbing following the spiritual evaluation required by the Law. All achievements must be accepted for soul to realize the full extent of its recent efforts and influence. It will understand the effects of each relationship. Soul will strengthen its morale through remorse and understanding. If a person gains the whole world and loses one's soul, what is gained? Jesus the Master speaks to humanity in this way. He shows the ultimate. He illuminates the narrow path that does not permit deviation. Soul will review the outcome of all activities. All will be seen as if on a vast record. If soul has not advanced in the physical existence just completed it prepares to return for additional experience in order to rebuild what was persistently torn down. The law of karma requires soul to expand with consistent growth. Growth is to keep pace with normal development. This alone teaches soul about the futility of error if it is understood. No one escapes the vigilant Law containing the record of the individual soul noting each thought and act according to its eternal worth.

Throughout past centuries various interpretations have been released so humanity could live within the Law's principles. The teaching given was consistent with the receiving generation. Progress consisted of an advance in thought and understanding. The old fashioned principle of being exceptionally physically lovely needs to be understood from a spiritual point of view. Humanity needs to note who is creating this influence. The focus on physical loveliness is an obstacle that prevents the mind's advancement. It regresses the soul motivated by materialistic desire and previous experience. Humanity has created a large debt that causes the Law to take action to correct this weakness motivated by materialistic purpose that wants to be expressed. A tiny spiritual impulse influences humanity whose longings are increasingly indulgent. People are not working for but against each other. People take rather than share. People wound rather than pause to compassionately heal. People don't see the need with eyes overwhelmed by the glamour of selfish desire. People living for their material selves rather than aiding others create circumstances for themselves that bring pain, disillusionment, and remorse. The unchangeable Law works with the precision required by the Supreme Will. These words are very important to understand. The person who lives within the Law creates that which is eternal. The person who does not live within the Law creates that which hardship will crumble and destroy leaving soul thirsty in the desert of despair.

Compassion is the divine impulse. It seeks to alleviate and reduce pain that may sweep over a soul or race. Through understanding it knows that everything has a purpose, and that a person reaps what is sown as a result of the person's efforts. The harvest is determined by the seed planted. The person who plants a thorn must remove a thorn from its own soul. The person who places the seed of life into the soil finds the soul immeasurably enriched. The person who makes a god out of gold finds the idol's metal tarnished mirroring the impurities of one's yearning. The person who cruelly destroys and flattens to earth the ripened grain will find nothing but empty husks to replace one's supply of food. The garden of the soul responds to its cultivation. It may grow flowers of rare loveliness or corrupt weeds of selfishness that destroy growth. Whatever

seeds are planted determine the worth of the harvest. Selfish desire turns into indulgence gratifying the senses without limits. Foolishness lures with the false happiness of desperation. A person ignores the situation thinking the path of indulgence may be reversed when self-gratification has satisfied yearning. Is the cost of indulgence known? It tears resistance apart, weakens morale, and does not sustain soul. It is like a broken cane that provides no support. Resistance and morale that bend are not supportive when hardship becomes a burden. Indulgence can offer no support during overwhelming remorse and sorrow. Only faith through which soul glimpses the Divine and the all-sustaining faith and assurance given by the eternal Light sustain and support when life injures. The person who seeks the Light does not live in darkness because one knows the darkness to be nothing but the shadow that fades into the nonexistence of self-indulgent error.

When Jesus spoke the promise of ancient revelation - seek and ye shall find - He gave to humanity the key that opens the doors of understanding. The person who yearns turns to the source of the Divine. The thoughtful person approaches the Shrine of Universal Existence. The growing soul advances while bathing in the Living Waters. Here is the interpretation of these sacred words. The soul always receives a response when it calls. The Guiding Force responds like a light giving to soul the necessary strength to sustain effort. No soul finds the burden too heavy to bear. Soul grieves out loud and seeks relief when it is loaded past its ability to endure. The Law works by soul becoming aware of its need. The seeker finds the completion of one's yearning. Soul seeks that which sustains. Soul turns to the Divine with increased effort and Spirit's growing influence with ever-increasing enthusiasm. In this way fulfillment takes place. The Guiding Force shines a beacon of light that illuminates the forthcoming path for soul. Soul receives the Light. The Light is not a bright, blinding light that illuminates the entire path but that which softly glows. It is a Light that soul understands with its present development. The seeker finds soul's desire when one serves the treasure of the Spirit.

Oracle Forty-Seven

Thought is the invisible, intangible process through which communication is accomplished and the means used by soul to express its dominant desire in speech and actions. Thought is the necessary means used by the soul functioning in a physical body to receive responses from all sources. The energizing soul influences mind to comply. In this way brain is obedient. This represents the physical process of achievement. A nonphysical being may through concentration form a relationship with a mind whose stage of evolution is similar or near its own. These concentrated thoughts will reach the person's mind. The thoughts may be of an average or unfriendly nature depending on the nonphysical being's stage of growth. The pure Immortal has absorbed mind into consciousness and functions with the ease of its spiritual status. The Immortal's discerning ability penetrates space and focuses on whatever object the soul wants to examine. Perception is the spiritual awareness of the surrounding space. It knows no limitation because space exists within whatever mind concentrates. Thought, the silent voice of the soul, through concentration reaches its objective with its spiritual strength dependent on the force with which it is propelled.

Universality allows understanding without the barriers of the belief systems that restrict thought. Universality includes diverse fields for exploration. It accepts truth to be the basic foundation of all philosophies. It uses spirituality rather than illusion and materialism to penetrate the depths through concentrated investigation. Universality eliminates social differences as a barrier to growth and bases its thinking on the stage of evolution in which a soul functions. It sees the divine element, Spirit, as the connecting link between all souls and perceives weakness with understanding compassion. It accepts each stage of progress as necessary in the cycle of evolution. It looks at the various planes of consciousness of less advanced status with clear vision that includes the supreme planes to which it aspires and will attain through advanced planning. The soul identifies with both more and less advanced souls while knowing its own deficiency. The concept of religion and all that it includes is universal.

Universality is the supreme ideal to which each soul must aspire. Color, the line that separates Caucasian from Mongolian, Ethiopian from the Indian, must become non-existent. Spiritual vision includes all races as defining the exact circumstances for each soul in its current physical existence. Civilization imposes social and economic barriers for marriage. However, the spiritual essence through which existence is motivated provides the identical path in all planned activities. Every color must ultimately be accepted by all and denied by none.

Experience gives beneficial activities to each soul that encourage growth. Regression at various times slows the advance that forces soul to return to previous experience in order to accept and resolve its inherent, dominant weaknesses. In this way the futility of error is understood. Soul advances when it learns from experience through rebirth. Nothing is happenstance. Each trivial act has a purpose. Experience widens soul's scope and perspective that leads to expansion through growth. Soul's immediate needs are met on all planes of functioning. Acceptance of life's circumstances is the unchangeable law of control. Sorrow, pain, joy, and bliss are the means through which soul expresses its varying emotions as a consequence of experience.

The Immortal who understands without censure and condemnation, and whose vision includes all evolution knows the bliss of supreme communion. This balanced peace gives to soul the incentive for ever-increasing effort. The emotions caused by supreme communion create compassion so profound that the desire to assist is dominant. Service is the outlet for activity. In this way the Immortal represents the Law through service. Control is the amount of restraint appropriate for all grades of physical and spiritual evolution. Supervision provides the structure through which the Immortal serves regardless of plane of consciousness. To realize that each object in existence is

subject to control from a superior force and that nothing acts as a free agent tends to create a sense of responsibility. The example set by supervisors has a profound significance. Comparison forms a pattern to fulfill for the one less advanced. If the pattern is uplifting and idealistic it acts like a light that illuminates. If the pattern is undesirable it acts like a shadow that dims the light. The responsibility is apparent. Closeness is an ever-present factor in incentive. Soul patterns itself on what it finds intriguing with a desire for similar achievement though its ability to imitate. The person who insures the soul's constructive activities through careful and constant supervision of thought sets an example that brings to the soul steady, progressive growth.

The physical universe gives opportunities to soul for varying experiences. The soul is adaptable to expressing felt emotions as part of living within the physical body. Physical desire, lust, and passion are the means through which the reproductive impulse is motivated and nurtured. These form the nucleus of the sex-urge. Irresistible attraction is used to get souls to approach one another. This association is cosmic as is all that exists. The cosmic universe expresses the operative will of the supreme and all-powerful God. Desire is the means to achieve unity by way of the mating impulse. Here is the source of some human ailments. Disease and disability may result from abusing Nature's law for reproduction.

People do not constructively use the divine tools established for the birthing process. Sensual gratification creates a hardship on the body. Vital essence is transformed by intellectual pursuits and enlightens the mind. It gives a freedom of expression to soul that it can not know if mind is focused on gratifying the lower senses. Here is the source of mental unrest. Mind centers its yearning on that which lowers thought rather on that which uplifts. The purity of the stream's water reveals its content. It may be sparkling clear, or murky and discolored with the debris of impure desire. The impure mind repels spiritual activities by expressing its dominant desire. It reflects its impure contents like a mirror. A person may reverse mind's degenerative activities by teaching it to center its yearning on that which uplifts and enriches. Birth is the divine process of reproduction. It must be motivated by spiritual desire. To evaluate personal motives regarding the reproductive act is for them to be either a destructive or constructive means of expression.

When the law of rebirth gave the process of reproduction to humanity it gave to the individual soul varying degrees of temptation. Love, tenderness, and divinity are all part of soul's expression in its visitation to the physical universe. Love that heals and lifts companions is motivated by unselfish desire. It strives to give soul a sustaining protection through assistance. This is typical of love that finds its source in kinship of souls that knows no separations. Love that harms and inflicts hardship on companions may be called an association of the flesh because of its temporary nature. The material mind does not understand the reason for abstinence since it is in the stage of evolution where indulgence is the means through which soul satisfies desire. The intense flame that indicates a temporary relationship burns to extinction leaving nothing but ashes of disillusionment. Such an intermittent union harms the soul with its false effort for fulfillment. Material desire forces hardship upon soul at this stage of evolution. Lessons of self-control and strengthening of will must be learned. Soul must force mind to obey through denial and willing obedience. Soul must discipline thought and influence it to abandon self-indulgence and begin constructive efforts. Spending time frivolously simply prolongs the inevitable.

Oracle Forty-Eight

Jesus in physical existence sought to give humanity an ideal of priceless beauty. He served unselfishly by giving generously and withholding nothing that would inspire others to adopt His pattern of living. He descended into physical existence through the pronouncement of the Supreme Intelligence whose will is all-powerful. His service was an example of obedience that has no equal. Each soul must humbly accept this pattern of selflessness as the supreme ideal with which to mold the soul-structure. Temptation lures soul with the means of gratification as an expression of material desire. The will must refuse through its natural strength. Habit trains the mind through constant control ensuring consistent obedience. Here is a key to growth. Mind has a tendency to satisfy indulgent desires through persistent repetition. Only through highly structured, strict oversight will mind be controlled and habits broken. Thought is the means through which soul expresses its desires. Therefore, thought must be actively involved with mind's support. Here is the difficulty. Mind is independent of soul. It takes from consciousness that which supports its own wishes and is not relevant to soul's expectations. Mind weaves weird patterns to fulfill its desire as an unfortunate consequence of experience. Insanity is the activity of mind with soul's supervising intelligence withdrawn. To understand mind is to appreciate the necessity for constant oversight of its intricate and delicate processes.

Growth is the process that allows enlightenment to be an active part in soul's existence. Soul responds very slowly to the penetration of love-essence. It gradually increases its strength and becomes more aware of the Divine. Soul then turns to this source of existence as if drawn by a powerful magnet. The love-essence is an expression of the Father that is immeasurably deep. In this way soul is drawn to the Divine. Soul gradually releases its longing for selfish desires and replaces them with unselfish, uplifting desires. Soul leaves materialistic aspirations behind and bases its values on that which is eternal. It perceives humanity with its weaknesses as a vast generation whose various activities reveal a process of transforming selfishness into selflessness. In this way compassion replaces condemnation. Love embraces hatred. The birth of understanding is as gradual as the dawn, the dawn of eternal Light. Enlightenment is the process in which soul in communion within Silence forms a unity with and becomes an active part of Divine Mind.

Love, compassion, and charity are the divine elements of understanding. These are the attributes of the selfless soul, or the active principles through which soul serves as an example of the Law after making its ascent to the immortal heights. Love is part of the divine impulse and all-embracing healing essence. Love is direct unity with the Divine Mind and the supply from which soul draws its content. Love is all-forgiving and does not see dominating weaknesses. It concentrates on divinity that motivates soul. In this way it does not blame or condemn. This illustrates love. Compassion originates in understanding and reveals the healing essence of love. It wishes to heal and uplift burdens of overwhelming pain. Compassion expresses the Divine and is its outward expression. Charity is the means through which love is expressed. It gives tenderly and is thankful for the privilege. Charity gives the Bread of Life that alone satisfies those who suffer and are oppressed. It gives the courage to once again pick up the burden and cross of soul's creation. Only self-created suffering overwhelms the soul. It is an accumulated debt that soul expresses as physical pain, mental unrest, and anguish. Only in this way does soul become aware of its inherent and dominating weakness. Charity gives in love and is an example of the generosity that asks for nothing in return.

Love, understanding, compassion, and charity are the priceless jewels of divinity. They are the gems with which soul beautifies consciousness and whose bright radiance reveals the selfless state of existence. Master Jesus gave these to humanity so that Divinity may be expressed through selflessness. Each soul must aspire to selflessness as the ultimate. Selflessness is the

crown of light that replaces the crown of thorns that each soul wears until it willingly eliminates selfish desire.

Oracle Forty-Nine

Behold, the Living Word comes so humanity may be aware of the living Christ. From celestial heights a Voice speaks bringing a message of peace and good-will to all. Love one another. Love gives soul the ability to assist, befriend, and lighten the overwhelming burden of the weary soul. Love heals with the essence of divine compassion that soothes and gives renewed courage to withstand the hardships of physical existence. Love is eternal and permanent. It does not fluctuate. Its strength increases with increased understanding. The person who gives lovingly knows the joy of rewarded effort. Love alone shows the way to the Cross upon whose rugged frame each soul must crucify the material impulse and selfish purpose through which soul ignores the suffering of humanity. Love illuminates the path to peace. A person's soul will have an impure inclination unless one knows love. Love is living divinity. Love's absence reveals error of thought and prevents an experience of Divinity.

Hatred originates in selfish purpose. It seeks to wound the adversary through retaliation. The person who wounds another will in turn experience the anguish of harm. The harm experienced will be in proportion to the harm inflicted. Therefore, Beloved, listen to the Master's words spoken to you. Love alone sustains and gives you the necessary strength to prevent defeat.

Oracle Fifty

Why have Jesus come to you, Beloved? It is so you may hear and accept these my words. You are traveling the dark path through the desert of experience. Do you know the reason for darkness of mind? You have dimmed the Light of understanding and flame through which Spirit urges each person to complete one's task. The divine flame burns dimly giving to soul a dark lens through which it can not see the purpose of its existence. The Supreme Father said the individual soul must travel through the cycle of evolution to its ultimate achievement. In His infinite, immeasurably deep wisdom He created the individual soul in the likeness of His own image. The process of evolution is a divine example of His unchangeable Law. He created the infinite spark, or Spirit, through preplanning that will illuminate the soul-structure by penetrating its substance and reflecting the essence of His love. A person does not know the ultimate. All that is seen is a short distance ahead. Soul responds to the Spirit's influence with increasing intensity expressing the working of the Law. The Law is the Word. Within the Word is control or the means through which evolution takes place. The Law works to realize fulfillment. The person who lives within the Law is not afraid because mind's dark unrealities affect only persons whose faith burns dimly. Therefore, the person who walks in love knows only peace that is like a divine robe within which soul surrounds its existence.

Do you know the reason why darkness obscures the sun of love from humanity at large? The reason is the selfish desire that permeates and stimulates the greedy soul who forcibly takes one's daily bread from a weaker soul. The person who takes will lose in a similar manner. Can you not see how the Law works? Beware Beloved. Seek within the distressing result to determine the cause. You know the suffering and yearning. You see the needy, disabled, and weak who surround you. Your heart does not respond with compassion. You are deaf to the cry and request of your needy neighbor since you live within selfishness. You can not advance until you see those who suffer with compassion. The person who turns away those in need does not know the compassion that heals and does not harm, the compassion that neither takes nor gives expecting something in return. The traditional mind closes its awareness to the needy of humanity. It sees nothing but the narrow path outlined by its belief system. It does not go out of its way to give relief. Suffering is a part of all paths of progress. It exists in the high and in the low. Suffering involves hunger of both body and mind. The soul craves the sweet drink that will quench the thirst for spiritual understanding. Hunger dries up soul when in despair. It creates a desert that soul must cross while moaning in pain. Can you use the supreme example as a pattern? Jesus expressed the Father's will by showing how to crucify selfish desire. He denied no one who sought His presence. He gave freely of His generosity. Being compassionate He did not separate the needy from all others. For what reason have you denied others who are unfamiliar with your faith? You emerged as a soul in equal value with all other souls. Ultimately you will eliminate all prejudice that disrupts growth. Each soul has the divine element, Spirit, within it. This establishes equal value. Social difference is the selfish armor used by the young soul to set its existence apart. Love dissolves social differences that dissipate as the mist before the sun. The person who erects a barrier of social difference that blocks the feeling of compassion for another will in turn experience the pain of denial that was inflicted. The person who oppresses will in turn know oppression. The demonstration of love is the key that opens the door to fulfillment. If a person does not progress in spiritual growth, if one wastes time, and if one regresses due to selfishness that person will come into physical existence again to taste bitterness. The Law requires that the soul become aware of the Divine through growth. Soul chooses regression if it turns away and refuses to see the Light. It will then seek and search blindly for that which relieves.

Oracle Fifty-One

Go beyond the understandings of restrictive belief systems. Permit your longings and love to extend their new shoots to embrace those who suffer. Your understanding must be universal in order to accept all that breathes truth. Turn away from that which constricts and blinds. The Supreme God to whom your soul turns in devotion is all in all. It is to Him that you must turn because He is your strength. To the supreme mediator, Jesus the Christ, must you seek in prayer for your soul's nourishment. He will reach out in immeasurable love to comfort and give. His healing power comes to the soul who unselfishly makes requests in private. His love and compassion are immeasurably deep. Those of you who are longing, seeking, and who see only the Light's shadow must turn away from that which blinds. It is selfish desire that prevents your soul from clearly seeing the Divine. Purify your desire. Search within its depths. There you will find the source of weakness. Again your Elder Brother speaks about love. If you love you can not wound. Love prevents harm. Therefore, if love is not within your soul, that is the source of your deficiency. The Law is illustrated within the Holy Word. He gives this Law. Within it are the requirements for growth and the permanent law of eternal consequence. Until you have conquered the self and you can accept all who error in love, understanding, and compassion you can not enter the Kingdom of the Blessed. Only enduring, eternal love gives to soul the peace that passes all understanding.

Oracle Fifty-Two

Blessed is the peace-maker. What do these words mean? Their meaning works for good. The person who brings understanding to human disagreements is a builder of a vast empire of the soul. In divine understanding is given the essence of love. Humanity does not know a peaceful, tranquil existence. It pursues the luring false promise of fulfillment. It focuses on acquiring material gain that will be destroyed when the strong wind of hardship blows. The foundation of the soul will crumble like sand revealing its faulty construction. What value is there for a person to build something temporary? The ashes of defeat replace the living, glowing embers of hope. The Law works in this way. It gives a portion of the fruits of the harvest to each soul. If nothing but empty husks remain it reveals a dry season of selfish desire. Fruit will be produced if seeds are planted within the fertile soil of life. The thorn grows a thorn. The lily grows a replica of its purity. A person plants the barbed, poison thorn of hatred in the soil. It multiplies greatly. Blown by the breeze of antagonism it scatters its seeds throughout space and is planted into natural soil where it has not grown before. This is a great responsibility. The thorn that multiplies through its intense strength stands for the evil within humanity's thinking. Hatred, greed, and lust are the thorns of evil that are planted within the soil of all human thought. It crushes the spiritual foundation of existence like a monstrous disease. Where is the cure?

Suffering gives soul a need to reverse directions. When soul is experiencing extreme physical or mental anguish it seeks the reason (cause) for the symptoms (effects). The Master-Surgeon cleanses with divine compassion that comes from understanding so healing may begin. A suffering person sings with joy when the inherent, dominant desire is satisfied and healing is apparent. Oppositional desire destroys morale. Constructive desire gives compensating peace. Whatever the desire, its goals must be frustrated so a person appreciates its importance. Spiritual growth creates a need for rest. Soul enters into the tranquillity of suspended growth when necessary. This is according to the Law. Soul stabilizes and strengthens through sustained tranquillity. It recalls its contents noting its natural strength. The rested soul will renew its effort to grow based on its new understanding. The Law works in two ways. The soul who completely indulges itself and has become remorseful begins to understand the futility of error. In this way the crime halted the criminal activity. The crime being a buildup of harmful activities that accumulated a large debt. No one escapes the Law. It always works.

Oracle Fifty-Three

Come to Me all who suffer and I will lift your burden. Jesus said this. Within these words is a promise that is part of the Law. The Supreme Will makes clear that all that exists in tangible or intangible form reveals the means through which evolution takes place. The person who seeks in love and humility, and has no selfish purpose receives profound, sustaining peace. The soul has earned this gracious privilege through willing obedience. It approached the shrine of the Divine with a desire that was receptive and open to the healing inflow. It centered its longing on the spiritual and pure. In this way it received in proportion to its evident need. The person who makes requests with a will opposing the Divine and who wants an end to suffering without giving anything in return will hear nothing but the echo of its longing. The door of Divine Comprehension admits only those who seek in humility and in willing obedience to the Divine Will. A person with extreme mental anguish demands an end to suffering and naturally turns to the Divine. This person demands entrance without eliminating the reason that closes the door. The person knocks while holding onto the created barrier that prevents entrance. Do you know the reason that the door remains closed? Soul must acknowledge its weakness through denial of selfish desire and accept the Divine Will. It must rebuild the soul's structure that was weakened by self-indulgence as part of longing for the Divine. The Guiding Force that gives to each soul that which nurtures growth is compassionate and infinitely tender. The person who turns from selfishness to heal the pain will receive in proportion to the revealed faith. If the person has earned an interruption of pain by understanding one's error, the Law will give that which strengthens with compensating peace. The person who has proven worthy enters through the door and into the sacred area of the Divine and drinks from the Living Waters.

A person cries out loud in sorrow indicating less opposition to new ideas. Soul accepts hardship according to its understanding. A person sees companions advancing after changing from physical to spiritual activity. One accepts what is imposed and sees Death as an angel in disguise. The person recognizes the Death's invitation not as annihilation but as a transformation, an advance to activities on a higher and broader plane of consciousness. Bitterness is not experienced because the willing obedience of the Divine Will prevents resistance. A person does not know when physical death will come. The person will need to return to physical existence to have the identical experience again if a life task remains incomplete. If the person improves performance through constructive effort there is an invitation to advance and its acceptance is based on sustained faith generated by increased understanding. Each soul responds according to its faith and sees death's transition as a door that admits the soul to the realm consistent with a spiritual understanding of its effort with a corresponding reward for achievement.

Oracle Fifty-Four

The Living Word flows so humanity will pay attention to the call. The person who wastes time and procrastinates slows soul's progress and will assume the consequences for unmet life goals. Whatever the person yearns for that slows progress will be like dead, dried fruit that dries the soul with bitterness. In this way the natural consequences of experience provides what cleanses the soul of its dominant weaknesses. The blind person who does not see the workings of the Law is like the stumbling person who approaches a cliff without the necessary protection to prevent falling. There is no hope because within consciousness is that which must be eliminated before soul gains the ability to see the law of eternal consequence clearly. The person who turns from the Light must walk the darkened path of disbelief. Just as the Light is the reverse of darkness, so is faith the reverse of disbelief. Where does Light come from? It is the Father's love revealed. It is all-penetrating, always-present, the beautiful essence of divinity that fills the receptive soul. It is unlimited. It accepts with the ability to heal. It is divine understanding whose depth is immeasurable. This is an explanation of the Light as humans know it. The Light is eternal and constant. As illumination it reverses darkness. It makes a soul into a Temple from which the divine essence radiates and, as a consequence, illuminates the path of fulfillment for those who walk in the darkness of the mind. You are breaking the Law if you dim your Light because of the fear of antagonism and criticism that will hurt your consciousness. The Law reads: The person who knows the joy of divine communion and who senses within one's soul the all-penetrating peace of unity with the divine will immeasurably enrich the self by lighting the path for another soul. The Law rewards compassionate effort and takes away for violating a spiritual principle. You have incurred a debt that must be paid if you deny your Light and cause another to stumble and harm one's soul. Therefore, Beloved, the law of compassionate impulse must motivate you. The Father has decreed that you are to become a pure, selfless soul through evolution. The return to Spirit must be accomplished so you may serve, and so you may demonstrate the laws through which supervision and control are established in Unity. It is not yours to choose because ultimately the Supreme Will is done. A person with insignificant strength may defy the Omnipotent Will. The Guiding Force will teach this immature person to understand the futility of error and refusal to obey willingly. He who talks to you compassionately and tenderly seeks to instill within you the longing for willing obedience and acceptance of the law of spiritual expression. He wants to illuminate your path to fulfillment. He calls so you may hear His Voice clearly. He comes in Living Thought to make His presence known. You must accept the sacrament of crucifying selfish desire in its entirety and recognize a risen Christ for ascending and transfiguration. What do these words mean, Beloved? The transfiguration is that which illuminates through radiance. It clarifies all that is. It knows nothing to darken the existence since it is All-accepting Light. In this way Master Jesus speaks to humanity.

The Living Thought flows giving to humanity the laws of fulfillment. It denies to no one the privilege of communion. All may enter the Holy Presence if the soul is cleansed of selfish desire and asks for a closer unity with the Divine. The Father decided this. The person who seeks will find. The thirsty soul will drink from the Living Waters when it approaches divinity in humility and in willing obedience to the Supreme Will. The nonbeliever does not know the joy of communion. The peace that passes all understanding does not penetrate the content of the unbeliever's consciousness. Soul through denial erects a barrier that can not be passed and that prevents the holy inflow from entering. Regard the soul with immature spiritual understanding with compassion. Just like the small sapling becomes a large tree through growth, so will the unbelieving soul grow and mature into a soul that embraces the divine truth of spiritual understanding. A person harms oneself by ridiculing. Prejudice against the believer always returns as rejection to cause pain within the consciousness of the one who discriminates. The law controlling growth gives fairly to the soul whatever is earned whether it is the compensating peace of constructive effort or the unwanted hunger and thirst for selfish achievement.

Oracle Fifty-Five

Beloved, I ask that you listen to these words. The law says that effects or results come into existence due to causes. If you speak angrily a resulting harm has been caused within the recipient's soul. If you speak lovingly and tenderly you have likewise caused the seed of compassion to be planted as a result. The new seed that you plant within the soil of humanity will take root. It will mature and bear the fruit consistent with the original seed. It multiplies. If it is a weed from an antagonistic thought it will multiply and cause much more antagonism. If it is a flower of spiritual importance its fragile loveliness needs to be nurtured with tenderness. The nature of the seed determines the nature of the harvest. Hatred is demonstrated by cruelty being the knife that pierces consciousness. If a person gives nothing but love from the depths of understanding a shield is formed that protects the soul. This makes soul an invulnerable power through which the Divine Will operates. The stream flows according to the channel. It may be a violent flow without enough control. Or, it may be like a river that flows in harmony and whose depth determines its strength. You determine soul's inherent strength by controlling it. The person who lives control is an example of strength that may be used to influence nations. The person who hesitates through weakness reveals a characteristic that may lead to destruction. The Law works to create two results. The misuse of power creates disaster. Power used constructively creates an empire of eternal importance. You may hold the torch of Light high or drag the colors of defeat behind you according to your desire. Desire enslaves a person. If a person lives in indulgence one does not know the liberty of free choice since selfish desire must be satisfied at the exclusion of other desires. A person can make desire into a loving servant if it is cleansed and influenced toward constructive efforts. Do you see the need for controlling the means through which evolution takes place? Thought must be disciplined because it originates speech and actions. Thought is soul's expression and it alone determines whether a person is a power for good or a force of evil. A person is one's thoughts. This is the Law. Consciousness retains all of its impressions. It accurately records the content of thought without fail. If you could read each line of your soul's expression with complete understanding you would prevent all impurities from entering thought. After the transition of physical death and memory is restored each thought, along with its corresponding result, must be examined in order to retain what is worthwhile and discard all harmful impurities. In this way soul becomes aware of its dominant weaknesses. Soul may then construct what is needed to further its advancement when it descends into physical existence once more in order to strengthen its resistance to defeat.

Oracle Fifty-Six

The Living Voice comes from the Divine. It brings to humanity the requirements for spiritual fulfillment. It illuminates the path so soul may eliminate the chains that restrict and weigh down, that force mind into indulgence that is disastrous to growth. The Living Voice, or Word, comes from the Master-Healer who from supreme heights extends to humanity the compassion that heals and lifts soul and reveals the eternal Light. In this way soul experiences the ultimate through the Divine which must be attained by each soul. It must pay attention to the source of its existence by giving up selfish desire. Wasting time simply prolongs the cycle of evolution from beginning existence to the ultimate achievement. A person may deny the Voice and rely on one's own strength. What does denial achieve? Sorrow, deprivation, mental distress, and physical disability are the means through which cleansing takes place in order to shatter the barriers soul built through denial which exposed it to hardship. The Law works by disciplining soul to reverse its course, accept a spiritual understanding of existence, and eliminate the prejudice that provides support for selfish desire. In choosing independence the soul became dependent on selfish desire and now needs to seek an end to self-defeat. The Law that influences soul is the Supreme Will that functions through many channels of authority. The will is unchangeable since it is the system that the Supreme Intelligence decreed to structure evolution in which the soul freely chooses to become a Spirit of supreme value. Unfolding is the means for soul's growth. What does this mean? Unfolding is the process through which the developing soul becomes a radiant, selfless being by eliminating selfish desire. It is the transformation from immature to mature, from self-centeredness to an advanced state of existence. Eons of time are involved to make soul a power for good. Soul alternates from spiritual to physical understanding through the process of rebirth during these eons. Only in this way is evolution nourished. Rebirth is a supreme achievement of the Creator's art propelled by the reproductive instinct that nourishes creation. This is the way the law creates the means through which evolution takes place.

Oracle Fifty-Seven

Creation includes the universal principle. It forms the foundation upon which the physical universe rests. Creation also includes the spiritual universe. It forms the assumptions that mind uses to base theories and conclusions. Therefore, creation is all-encompassing and contains the universal principle. From supreme heights the means through which evolution takes place are demonstrated by the Omnipotent Will that encourages cooperation by all. In this way creation is perpetuated. It includes the universe with all the planets and stars. These delight humans with their twinkling brilliance as they rotate in eternal continuity in the orbits provided by evolution. The soul of all stages of growth finds the exact planet within the universe that is suitable to progress. A universal law has no exceptions or deviations. The scientist through technical research seeks to determine a planet's or star's exact position in space compared to the scientist's planet. Space exploration is limited since the far reaches of space are not available to examination. Humans will come to the realization that the universal principle is inexhaustible and immeasurable, and that a single physical existence is but one piece in the whole pattern of soul's continuity. This realization will not depend on physical examination but on spiritual reasoning that will give the true understanding of universal construction through its potency. The creative impulse propels soul into its orbit of activity regardless of variety. The spiritual universe renews the substance of the soul in a concentrated effort so that through the process of rebirth it reenters into physical existence with increased endurance. Soul descends when the Law designates the proper time for individual experience under the supervision of the Guiding Force. Love is the eternal and nonperishable tie that unites one soul to another, fosters experience, and provides the means for individualized support to encourage effort.

Supply is the means of nourishment to the soul. Abundance promotes a state of well-being whether with spiritual or physical food. A greedy, ruthless soul will take food from others in order to increase material supplies beyond what can be used. In this way control is established and a monopoly is demonstrated. An over-abundance of food is called wealth. Spiritual wealth is the riches and treasures of mind that enhance thought and are enduring. It is good if excesses are directed within humanitarian projects that benefit humanity either individually or at large. It is uplifting and an incentive to progress if excesses are shared through constructive efforts. There is also the reverse situation where wealth is diverted from public benefit with the surplus wasted in selfish indulgence. This situation creates a large debt to the souls involved. In a future physical existence a reversal must take place. For example, poverty along with physical disability will teach soul that indulgence is another form of greed that originates in selfish desire. Desire always motivates soul to activity. Soul's desire must be examined to understand the impulse of greed. When in doubt, examine the motive to know desire's origin for a certainty. The desire of an oppositional characteristic comes from selfishness. The central focus of self-serving desire is to indulge. It does not think of others but is absorbed in itself. The Golden Adage reads: a person should do that which the person would have done in return. No deviations exist. It is the unchangeable law of karma to which soul must aspire. Fellowship is established in this way. When soul understands this divine tie it will focus on what it needs to attain. The troubles that test endurance and harm the soul will be transformed into peace so profound, so all-accepting that the troubles of physical existence will melt away. Soul will be illuminated by Spirit, be motivated by love, and will embrace all who error in the compassion of profound, dominant understanding.

Oracle Fifty-Eight

What makes soul into a Temple? Soul becomes a Temple when it willingly obeys and serves the Divine. It abandons materialistic desire and centers its longing on providing service in whatever field the Guiding Force assigns as applicable to the soul's activity. Soul humbly accepts the Divine Will as all-powerful and supreme while living within its principles. Soul lights the candles of its faith before the altar of the Divine as an act of admiration and devotion. In this way soul, illuminated by its divine element Spirit, consecrates itself to service. Service is longing to assist those who suffer and waiting in private for an awareness of the Divine call. The humanitarian impulse becomes apparent through service. Service establishes the bond of fellowship, the universal link in the chain of eternal continuity, in which soul joyfully gives its all. The immature mind is centered on material experiences rather than on Divine desire. The immature, nontransparent soul-structure does not reflect the Spirit's radiance. Growth through ever-recurring rebirth brings awareness of the Divine. In this way each soul travels the path to understanding through growth.

You who are serving in respect and faith, who have abandoned materialistic desire, who seek to come closer to the center of your existence through awareness, listen to the words that the Master speaks. It is to you that these words are addressed. Serve in love and compassion. Lift those who error. Shield others with the essence of your love. You are one because the tie of divinity unites you. Illuminate the path so that others who are not acquainted with your peace will see its source through its radiance. Those who carry the light of the Infinite must lead gently. Let the light shine far so that its purity relieves the darkness of oppression, lightens the gloom of disbelief, and dissipates shadows. Let the light surround false beliefs and error. You are the light. Be loving and compassionate so that your Light will not be dimmed and you may be inwardly protected from expressions of hatred and antagonism that plagued the Master. The unbelieving wish to weaken purity and destroy the divine understanding that surrounds the soul. The person who interacts with you will see divinity in humanity. Your Elder Brother sees the weakness and weariness of soul with compassion. He sees the darkness of mind that obscures the Holy Light. He sees the ultimate that each soul is going to attain. He sees the tiring path ahead; the dry, corrupted desert through which soul must travel while drinking a variety of substances from the cup provided by Experience; the bright faith mixed with bitter disappointment; the defeat and disillusionment making soul harsh and brittle; and finally becoming pure through transformation. Your Elder Brother sees and knows everything. Therefore, He speaks words of wisdom. The Supreme Will shall reveal what motivates the understanding and lives of those who have seen the Light, whose soul is filled with the bliss of communion and all-pervading peace, and who live in unity with the Divine. Give generously of all you have. The thirsty soul does not know the satisfaction of plenty so it needs to be nourished so that the hunger is relieved. It must come into an awareness of its deficiencies and inherent, dominant weaknesses through compassion. You may give humanity an incentive for similar efforts by example. Therefore, listen to the words spoken by your Elder Brother. Let your Light shine so that the shadows of the night are transformed into the bright radiance of the dawn when people will work with and not against each other. This is the Law. The person who wounds does not know love because gentle, compassionate love heals. Can you voluntarily ascend the Cross, crucify all selfish desire, and accept the Father's will? Each soul carries a Cross it created by gratifying selfish desire. To eliminate the weight of this Cross each soul must recognize its error and turn to the source of its existence. Soul needs to approach this source humbly, willingly, and give up all that obstructs growth, and accept the spiritual laws that govern progress. A person's will-power may rebel. Disciplining will-power creates obedience. In this way discipline is established and control is revealed. The will is receptive to control because the Spirit magnifies the dormant, forceful urge to serve faithfully. The Cross is the symbol you should use to decorate your consciousness because consciousness is who you are. This indicates your pureness. The Cross is the eternal, all-

enduring symbol through which soul ascends. The unthinking mind understands the symbol of the Divine to be a fable. The person who does not know love can not know the Cross's significance. In this way Jesus gave that which beautifies the soul, the consciousness of the believer throughout the eternal ages. It is an example of supreme achievement and ascent to new membership. You become a disciple when your soul is a Temple that is dedicated to serving the Supreme Will. In this way discipleship is demonstrated with service being the key that opens the door to the Divine.

Oracle Fifty-Nine

The person who speaks unkindly of others reveals a hidden weakness. The critic sees a reflection of something in another that has not been conquered within the self. The Divine radiance, the illuminating spark revealing the tie of fellowship, has not been noticed within the other person. The path ahead has not been seen when soul must come into an understanding of the Supreme Will through painful experiences. Can you perceive the weakness of others with compassion and a desire to relieve? Your weakness is revealed when you criticize another. Beloved, concentrate on the Divine within each soul. In this way you disarm those who intend to harm you. You too were weak or you could not have seen the Light. The dusk of the darkened night always gives way to the dawn. The mind grows at the urging of the Spirit too slowly to be perceived. The twilight of your immaturity has faded into the shadow of the Unseen with rebirth dimming the memory of what was. You are only aware of the present. Shielding you from the past prevents dwelling on it. This would obstruct growth. Instead, look within each soul and see that which it will ultimately become. By doing this you will understand. The past from which you evolved is contained within the Eternal Records. You may see all your personal experiences when you become selfless. In selflessness you will serve humanity consistent with the Christic principle even as your Elder Brother selflessly serves you now. The heaven that you seek is consistent with the understanding of the plane of consciousness in which you reside within the Universal Mind. This is the refuge for the soul consistent with your ultimate desire. A person makes a mistake by believing in a heaven where soul rests without providing a service. Within service is the Father's will. The heaven with nothing to do reflects mind's desire to deny to others that which He shared with you. Soul serves soul. This is the supreme unchangeable Law.

The blind person who can not perceive the spiritual essence of existence is experiencing a stage of evolution wherein Spirit's flame is dormant. Spirit rests within the soul structure with its dim radiance stimulating action but whose influence is only a faint copy of the strength it will possess when soul becomes aware of the Divine. Soul is like a captive bound by the chain of immaturity that restricts perception to that which its understanding accepts. The soul is increasingly motivated to gratify sensual impulses since it lives within physical desire. Soul is the means through which thought is expressed. Therefore, soul determines the experiential field of exploration based on its inherent and dominant need. Through free choice soul lives through these varied encounters hoping to satisfy its needs. The choice is made influenced by the ever-present Guiding Force that is aware of soul's needs and guides soul to the field of activity needed for growth. Evolution's path for soul's growth is intricate from beginning existence to selflessness.

Oracle Sixty

Beloved, the following thoughts are from your Elder Brother. He asks that you listen. What will you have to enrich consciousness when you are blind, turn away from the spiritual universe, and center longing on gratifying material desire? How will your thoughts have grown when the transition of physical death comes and you return to the spiritual form? Soul will express only what it has placed in consciousness. Soul's expressions reveal the treasure of the mind that was collected during your experience in physical existence. You may retain only the pure essence and will eliminate self-serving impurities. Meditate on my words. Within your consciousness is all you are. There are the seeds of past experience. Have you stored within consciousness what will be supporting when examining the past content your life after ascending to the spiritual universe? There will be nothing for soul to express if purity was not stored within consciousness. Soul retains only the gold of constructive efforts in the spiritual universe. Within these words is a profoundly significant problem. The baby babbles in infancy indicating immaturity. Adolescence marks the birth of thought when the power of reasoning becomes apparent. Maturation gives the ability be constructive and build that which has supreme value. Are you demonstrating this rare gift of reason? Or, are you wasting the passing hours by procrastination? Will you joyfully respond when the call to reenter the spiritual universe comes, or will you try to stop the Grim Reaper who presents the order? A person does not know the hour when physical life will end. To faithfully build the structure of the soul with each passing moment, to reinforce it with the pure adhesive of constructive effort, and to beautify the Temple of Thought with the jewels of compassion is to give to yourself that which is permanent. You are one of countless souls who have come before when you pass through the doors of the Infinite. Soul ascends to a comprehensive evaluation to study what it built according to the inherent strength of the soul-structure. It sees either mature creation or a faulty foundation that must be carefully repaired through several physical existences. Soul either advances or descends to the plane of its dominant desire. No soul ascends above its inherent desire. Can you rise above your soul's longing that motivates action? If your longing focuses on sensual gratification you will necessarily serve on this plane to learn the effects and natural consequences within the causal thoughts and actions. You are a builder if your soul desires productive effort. You will create that which has enduring purity in unison with souls of similar status. You will experience the results of immaturity through segregation. Through unity you know the joy of constructive longing. The law of predetermination assigns each soul to the exact plane it earned in the most recent physical existence. The person who clearly sees the divine workmanship in Nature has permitted the Holy Light to enter the Temple of the soul. It illuminates thought with increasing radiance and gives expression through the creative impulse. Only that which has enduring beauty within the divine survives. Everything else fades like shriveled flower petals that are blown into the nothingness of space by the wind of Time. This is way the material mind creates regardless of form. Its expressions do not contain the holy essence of the creative impulse. That which endures contains the imprint of the Guiding Force. The spirit being who supervises physical existence has ascended to Christic consciousness through selflessness. Because of this your weakness and inconsistent efforts are viewed with divine understanding. Nature gives a panorama of superb beauty and is the expression of the Supreme Will. Immerse your soul in the grandeur and magnitude of Nature's vastness. You are in harmony with the forces of the Divine by doing this. You do not see the cosmic essence that penetrates each leaf and the microscopic creature that exists in Nature's mighty kingdom. You only see the physical reality of the Father's will and supreme handiwork. If you would enter the Temple of the Divine you could hear and see the inner harmony that motivates the universe. In response your soul would vibrate to the celestial symphony. The unbeliever denies what physical vision can not perceive. Persons who ridicule do not accept what the physical ear can not hear. Why do you deny that which you are a part? The cosmic essence that sustains you and inspires your life pulse originates in the invisible, intangible universe. Here is the source of all that you are. The physical body represents a brief phase of your soul's

growth. You must approach Universal Being with profound humility and seek in faith to penetrate its mystery if you wish to understand the mystery of your existence. Faith alone enables you to enter the realm of divine understanding within which is the motivating power that creates the individual soul.

Oracle Sixty-One

The person who ascends to immortal status has completed the evolutionary cycle. This soul has grown from immature thought through countless existences to attain mature status. This is the way that soul ascends with immortality being the ultimate. Here starts the ascent through which Christic consciousness becomes the supreme achievement. Soul passes through various planes of consciousness demonstrating its strength and worthiness to advance. Soul perpetuates its existence through the creative impulse. Within the creative impulse is the source of all that is. Each soul creates according to its strength on whatever plane of consciousness it functions. This is the way the divine melody comes into existence with its haunting, charming loveliness that lives eternally in the realms of spiritual understanding. The divine melody is actualized through the ability to concentrate within the consciousness of a person attuned to fulfillment whether or not the person is aware of this ability. This interaction with the Divine is commonly called inspiration. Each soul in immortal existence creates and ascends with each advance strengthening the spiritual rhythm that penetrates the creative impulse. The immortal alternates the activities of creative bliss and service in equal parts. The immortal soul progresses until through natural selflessness it becomes a servant of the Master Jesus to serve humanity and be an example of the Christic impulse.

Service gives soul the ability to advance. On all planes of consciousness service functions through the compassionate impulse to relieve need. The person who serves by attempting to lift the burden of others is an example of the Divine Will. The person who does not wish to assist is not yet aware of the purpose of existence. To see human suffering and not wish to help is to live within the darkness of the mind. Mind may impose a hardship on the soul. Mind pushes ulterior motives onto soul through habit. Soul expresses itself through mind. Mind may serve in two ways. It may obey the wish of the soul. Or, acting as an independent agent, mind may remove previous recordings of harmful experiences from consciousness and use these prerecordings to justify and satisfy its own desire. Mind is a servant of supreme value because it can adapt easily. Mind may also disobey and cause the soul to make corrections in additional physical existences. Mind is an enduring assistant when mastered by thought.

Oracle Sixty-Two

Soul may commit adultery when troubled by sensual desire. This is an offense against Nature whose function is to further creation through the reproductive impulse. Gratification of the sensual desire weakens morale that in turn destroys resistance to temptation. Desire urges soul to satisfy its wishes. The strength of will-power is reinforced by denying sensual desire through the process of thought control. The person who commits an impure act within thought has disobeyed Nature by creating an impure thought-form. The thought-form is embedded within consciousness and will remain to be examined and understood as part of the comprehensive evaluation that takes place after physical death. Adultery is having sexual intercourse with an adult who is not your spouse. This is the means of reproduction. It may injure soul when frustrated. Adultery is an abuse of the law of creative impulse. Adultery is called a loss of virtue. Physical law interprets adultery as an offense that justifies the dissolution of marriage regardless of its corresponding humiliation. Spiritual law notes the desire and thought that perpetrated the offense. Do you know the reason for the difference? The person who judges the weakness of another through a human point of view understands only the physical act. A decision is made according to the law related to adultery. Remember the allegory of Jesus lifting Mary Magdalene and healing her with tender compassion. Who exists in physical form whom has not committed an error in thought? Who has not experienced jealousy, hatred, or criticism? Who in physical existence is an example of ideal of purity? To criticize or condemn another in bitter revenge reveals a profound weakness. The person in physical existence knows many weaknesses. The pure, holy person would be immortal and serve the Elder Brother. Therefore, be lenient in judgment and heal with gentle compassion. Do not criticize those who commit adultery. Know that the Guiding Force gives to each soul the temptation necessary for experience. Soul must reject the temptation and demonstrate its strength. Or, soul will fail to reject the temptation and come to understand its error and weakness through sorrow. Time is the disciplinarian that brings the realization of deficiency to each individual. The person serving the Master will teach those who error the uselessness of indulgence through example. To condemn weakens a person's resistance to defeat. To see another person's weakness compassionately is to live the ultimate understanding.

Beloved, do you want to receive the wealth of the physical universe? Or, would you choose to possess the treasures of the mind? Would you retard your soul's growth with money? Or, would you rather have your thoughts and spiritual essence reflect the Divine? The choice is within you. If you focus your longing on the material, on that which spoils and dies, this becomes your desire and destiny. You have created whatever you choose in thought through concentration and longing. This creation will serve your desire in future existences. After physical death this creation will transfer you to the plane of consciousness where the builders of material aspiration reside. On this plane you will advance material longings and occasionally examine the inner longing of your soul. You will advance should you rise above material desire. If you cling to material desire persistently you will descend to physical experience to reduce the strength of this desire. Therefore, examine the long-range effects of all of your motives. What is the purpose for desiring what is perishable? You will be immeasurably enriched if you give up material desire and see within the mind the golden shining of Spirit. Just as the sun shines from Nature's heights to illuminate your day, the Spirit, or love-force coming from the Supreme Power that motivates the universe, will illuminate your soul so you may see humanity's need. In this way you choose between what enriches or wastes the content of your soul.

Oracle Sixty-Three

If one came to you in a gleaming white robe speaking words of wisdom, and if you could not see the celestial visitor with physical vision but your spiritual perception revealed the Holy Presence, would you deny your vision or would your soul give a joyous greeting? Such a visitation takes place when the soul in cooperation with the will-power ascends to the place of the Divine. Soul receives the Holy Audience in respect and humility. Soul returns to the body immeasurably enriched and reveals the radiance it attained. In this way soul is enriched, strengthened, and given an incentive for renewed growth. The ascending person holds the celestial visitation sacred. Conscious knowledge of the bestowed privilege is guarded in the temple of the soul. When the material mind turns to the source of its existence and accepts spiritual reality, it may renounce this acceptance and turn with antagonism against the one whose understanding gave entrance to the Holy Audience. Antagonism always surrounds the ignorance of restricted thought. When a person permits mind to experience hatred it reopens the wound that has been healed. You can not plant seed in an uncultivated field and demand a productive harvest. The seeds of divinity likewise die when you try to plant them in unproductive soil. You may prepare the soil with compassion and leave the planting of seed to the Guiding Force when the soul is receptive after it grows. I ask that you manage your life by understanding these spiritual laws. Give love generously mixed with empathy when you sense the need. Protect your own soul from injury in order to avoid damage to your faith.

Oracle Sixty-Four

He who you know as Jesus, who ascended the Cross of crucifixion and by doing so gave to humanity the supreme pattern on which to build soul-structure, speaks through the Living Word. Humanity will know His living presence through His Word. He says these words so that humanity's unrest and anguish may be relieved and the Divine Community be established. Only by recognizing the tie that unites soul to soul will the greed that penetrates humanities thought be conquered. In this way greed will become nonexistent and love will unfold the emblem of eternal and universal significance that represents a common leadership to guide humanity from the dangerous course of indulgence that leads to destruction. Without insight humanity sees nothing but the image of its own materialistic desire. It pursues the path of indulgence without understanding that it leads to nothing but the bitterness of disappointment. Through the medium of thought the Master speaks to humanity. The person who ignores the message will suffer loss. The person whose soul recognizes the Voice and responds will receive the Light that illuminates the outline of the path. The immeasurably deep love that embraces with the essence of divinity is real. The Living Presence is always revealed when necessity demands. He who speaks comes to reveal the survival of the soul through the Word. This is the ageless, eternal promise explained by the Living Thought. Soul communes through thought that is the eternal expression of divine understanding. From the heights comes the Voice asking humanity to listen to this the call, to turn to that which alone gives peace, and that it shorten the period of anguish by lifting soul to the plane of consciousness that understands the futility of error and procrastination. The Holy Presence places a blessing upon this authentic communication that shares the means through which humanity receives the Word within which is the Law. Selah.

Oracle Sixty-Five

You who live in the physical universe: listen to the words of the Master. His compassion prompts immeasurably deep love to examine humanities need. Why are you weary and oppressed? You have turned from the pure and holy to focus your longing on that which does not last and, being born of selfish desire, perishes like a flower. You have pursued the ghost of illusion believing that it was the remedy for your distress. If you wish to see clearly you must humbly approach the spiritual temple of your aspirations and ask that your sight be healed. In this way you will be healed. A person gets tired of mind's small insignificances that intrude upon consciousness like a weight. Embedded within your record of consciousness is all you are. Each thought is recorded with absolute clarity and reveals your stage of growth. You would turn from darkness and seek for that which alone satisfies within the Light if you could clearly see your soul's achievements. The Beloved Healer comes to you. Can you accept what He gives? He sees your need and hunger because inside all of your unrest is revealed. He sees the weakness resulting from selfish desire that lures into unfavorable actions and thoughts. Instead, be lured by the distant rainbow. If you would surround your soul with Nature's radiant aura you would grow weary with its purity because your soul reaches out to satisfy material desire. It is not centered on the pure and holy. It longs for that which cheapens. If you could reach a star you would use it to beautify your selfish purpose and create jealousy among your associates rather than understand its true significance. Your effort is contrary because it does not uplift or sustain but tears morale apart and inflicts hardship. The person who gratifies impure cravings creates what the soul will have to remove in anguish. Each aspect of the impure creation must be accepted, understood, and eliminated from consciousness. Can you see the misjudgment? The Light is revealing the uplifting path for you. It shows you the way. It gives you the laws that govern soul's effort so that it ultimately heals and grows. The person who listens and acts on the words of the Master will advance through understanding. This will significantly shorten the evolutionary cycle that must be completed prior to becoming immortal.

Oracle Sixty-Six

Jesus came to earth and was denied. Through the Living Thought that penetrates your consciousness comes the Voice. The Elder Brother speaks to you who turns from the path of selfishness and responds to the call. Your Light will illuminate your neighbor's path. You are responsible to be an example. In this way weaker persons will be drawn to you. You are a cane upon which the weak and lame will lean. Within the radiance of your aura will strength be found so that others will gain similar strength. Therefore, guard the Light well that lights your path and soul, and that reflects the divine radiance. You ask, "What makes a Light?" The Light comes from within. It is the Spirit that is the beginning and divine element of your existence, the ageless, eternal hallmark of the Father's creation. In His infinite and supreme wisdom the individual soul was created. You who are in darkness, your Light is not shining because you have denied the source of your origin. You can not reflect the Light eternal until you humbly turn around and master your will. Within darkness the Light does not exist, but within the Light the darkness becomes transformed. You speak of the Light but do not understand its significance. You see the material manifestation that is the shadow of the real, the spiritual. Nothing tangible is real because the substance is not the shadow, but within the divine substance is all there is. Therefore, the spiritual universe is that which endures and was called reality by your Elder Brother. A person does not find the substance in a dream. A dream is a shadow. The physical universe that provides many phases of experience is only a fragment of your soul's activity. The material mind believes the physical universe is all there is. You can not understand the soul's efforts in this way. You see only what is close but deny what is further away. Why do you deny what your physical senses cannot perceive? You see Nature's sky that is far away for physical vision. Consider passing into infinite space. Unto you would be revealed the universal principle that is the creation and substance of all that is. You see the sun whose radiance helps to provide food but you do not see its essence. No, Beloved, physical vision does not see its true significance. Physical vision can not penetrate the mystery of creative existence. Your vision only allows a penetration of space. Physical beings do not have immortal status. Only a tiny part of what you are is revealed to you. When you can understand your limitations and still accept the divine understanding of your existence, and when you can approach the temple of the Divine in deep humility, then you will have the capacity that provides the key that opens the door of understanding.

Oracle Sixty-Seven

What makes Living Thought a reality? Thought is the process of communication that soul uses for expression. In this way receptive souls communicate with each other. Purity makes soul into a means of achievement. It provides receptivity without prejudice and condemnation. Purity has abandoned selfish desire. Will serves the Divine rather than having its own selfish purpose. In this way soul becomes receptive to the divine flow of thought. This process reveals the means through which inter-communication becomes an actuality. In this way the Living Thought flows through the pure soul so humanity may receive the laws of universal importance. The person who accepts and lives within the law's principles has voluntarily crucified selfish desire. The person who refuses the Living Thought, ridicules and turns from the Light, enters into the darkness of disbelief where the light does not penetrate. Experience alone will bring to this soul that which dissolves the obstruction created between self and the Divine. Time through experience and disappointment will administer the salty tears that teaches soul about the source of its strength that, in turn, will clearly reveal the depths of its weakness. You too were weak, Beloved, or else you could not have come to the point of being able to accept the words of the Master. Therefore, allow your compassion, the healing essence of love, to flow to and surround your weaker, erring neighbor.

Oracle Sixty-Eight

The person who thinks an unpleasant thought against a neighbor builds that which will return against the self. Thought is powerful and reaches the object of its concentration with unconscious awareness. Therefore, discipline your mind so that it reflects the essence of compassionate regard. The person whose selfish purpose creates a hardship on a companion builds the necessary circumstances to reveal the extent of error involved through the operation of the karmic principle. Therefore, Beloved, you are cautioned to personify love whose root is understanding and compassion. Soul expresses a selfish motive through weakness. Greed, a similar motive, dominates selfish thought. The selfish person is not considerate of others but lives for the self. If you could clearly see such an afflicted soul you would embrace that one out of sorrow. This soul must travel a long, difficult path before it will become aware of its weakness. Selfishness is a significant weakness in morale. It reflects a forceful soul. The person who lives for the self does not notice the suffering of others. This person turns a deaf ear to humanity. This soul does not vibrate with the love-current through which understanding is possible. The unalterable, constant Law nourishes everyone's growth. Like a pendulum it swings to one limit before reversing direction. The law of karma is twofold. It returns the natural consequences of waste and bitterness, or of penetrating bliss.

Oracle Sixty-Nine

The Voice speaks with vibrant tenderness. It calls, giving to the individual the promise of a peace that compensates for the trials of existence. It outlines the path that leads to the eternal Light. Can you refuse this, the Voice of the Master? Your soul will respond if you renounce selfish purpose and turn away from self-serving interests. You will be renouncing only that which harms. The dark mind does not permit the Light of love to enter. The Light will enter and reveal soul to be a temple dedicated to the Master's service when the doors of rejection are opened. Soul will erect an altar before the holy radiance and light a candle of pure intent. This is soul's response when love flows and enters. As dawn approaches the shadows of the night give way to the beautiful Light's coming. In this way soul becomes illumined with transformation being apparent through an acceleration of understanding that penetrates thought. Can you imagine the Temple of the Infinite that your soul will become when it vibrates with its holy radiance? Build a Temple within your soul whose doors admit love that is the essence of the Divine. Do not refuse the Angelic Host since you are sustained through their selfless service. No soul exists who travels the path of experience alone. Growth is nourished and initiative practiced by contrasting spiritual and physical existences. No soul in physical existence chooses to live its greatest possible success because the supervising Guiding Force holds before the person the desires of its inherent longing. The Guiding Force knows your need through deep understanding and sees the weakness of greed, selfishness, and pride longing for physical expression. Having selfless, deep understanding the Guiding Force presents experiences that include gratification and disappointment to eliminate your soul's dominant weaknesses. Therefore, Beloved, listen to these words of the Master. Beneath the All-Seeing Eye each soul functions with the motive for each act examined and evaluated through unprejudiced, supreme perception. In this way the Guiding Force serves and demonstrates the supreme and all-powerful will of Jehovah in selfless existence.

Oracle Seventy

Beloved, examine every thought and analyze its content to separate the pure from the impure, the uplifting from the degrading, the constructive from the destructive. Only in this way will you determine the outward expression of your soul through control. Thoughts give birth to the acts and words by which you are known. The person who speaks words of wisdom shines a beacon of light to show the way for weaker persons who are unaware. The speech of a person who has insufficient control will reveal little of value. The invisible task-master, Time, will correct this deficiency through experience. The person who corrupts humanities mind with impurities is harmful. In this way the impure contaminates the pure. The offensive weed grows in the garden of the mind communicating to other minds its inherent tendencies. Become aware of the need to control your soul's expression. You are unaware the extent to which you have planted seed in your neighbor's garden with harmful speech and acts. Only growth with its awareness of error will reveal the extent of the wrong-doing. The person who plants an impure longing in the mind of another creates a debt that must be paid. The thorn of hatred will irritate and become a large wound through its tendency to spread. This is the way harmful weeds of thought grow. They begin in frustrated desire, jealousy, and innate self-serving tendencies. The weaknesses that affect you are now revealed in their fundamental nakedness.

Oracle Seventy-One

The person who travels through life's experience avoiding those who are poor, weak, and disabled reveals pride that predicts hardship. The person who refuses to treat wounds and heal the injured with gentle love reveals an insensitive and undisciplined nature. Sufficient empathy is lacking. Sympathy and understanding are withheld rather than given. Jesus, your Elder Brother, served all humans. He gave freely and comforted everyone equally. Can you do likewise? How can you ignore suffering humanity if you accept the teachings of the Master? Spiritual hunger demands to be fed. Your Bread of Life will be decreased if you withhold it from those in need. The Law says the person who gives, receives in return. The person who takes without giving decreases the constructive content of one's soul. Therefore, listen to the Master's words. Share generously of that which is provided by your faith. The person who lives the example of the Crucified One must live consistently with His teachings. This person must compassionately embrace weaker neighbors who are too immature to know the laws that govern soul's growth. The loving, helpful person performs the sacred sacrament, breaks the Bread of Life, shares the wine of spiritual essence, and shares the Feast of the Covenant when the Master's teachings are lovingly expressed and lived. Do not give precedence to materialism or selfishness. Dedicate yourself to the Supreme God and thereby receive spiritual food that your soul craves. In turn, give this spiritual food away to your hungry neighbor. A person performs the actions of drinking the spiritual wine to quench thirst, vowing eternal allegiance, and eating Spiritual food to satisfy hunger. Do you think this type of dedication makes a pure and holy soul? These are only the outward signs of serving the Supreme Will. The person who interacts with others who are weak and needy, who assists those in spiritual pain, who lifts the crushing weight from the dark mind, and who treats the wound inflicted by a nonbeliever - this person's soul has established communion with the Supreme Intelligence and is performing the sacrament and holy communion that purify and strengthen as well as being a source of comforting peace. Beloved, remember the words of Jesus. Within your own soul perform the sacred rites. You are living consistently with Jesus' teaching if serving your neighbors in loving devotion is a true reflection of your soul and if you treasure these acts and thoughts. However, you are only pretending to live the Holy of Holies if you drink and eat with even a small amount of disregard or opposition to spiritual desire.

Oracle Seventy-Two

Once again the Living Thought is given so humanity may receive the Word which is the Law that contains the promise of eternal life. The person who listens will enrich one's consciousness to the degree that one accepts. By understanding error a person may turn away from showy brass that pretends to be pure gold. The person will see clearly looking through and beyond physical existence. Physical existence will be understood to be a vast plane upon which countless souls struggle with one another and attempt to force out of experience the small payment it provides. Do you know the reason for descending into physical existence? It is to test the courage and endurance of your soul. You know about temptation. Passion is attractive. Greed appeals by promising the acquisition of material privilege, fame, and admiration. Pride will be sustaining until it becomes insufficient and it is perceived as a chain that binds. You will see humanity in this way when a spiritual ability to understand human weakness is returned to you. Perception clarifies understanding. In this way you rise to the plane of divine understanding regarding the weakness that surrounds you. The soul's call to make its desires known to eliminate the chain that binds is like a flashing light. The light gives proof of its freedom from illusion and its desire for rehabilitation. The Guiding Force responds by sustaining soul and encouraging effort through focused attention. Soul receives according to its inherent longing. In this way growth is nourished. The spiritual universe opens to your perception too slowly to be directly perceived. The flower matures and its petals unfold to the warmth of the sun. Your Father surrounds you with love-force that matures the seed of your spiritual understanding. You can not destroy the seed but you may encourage its growth in the good soil of physical existence. In this way the Supreme God, your Father, surrounds you with the holy essence of His love so your soul will be an expression of His power through maturation. He is all-power, gives to you all that you are, and decrees that which you will become in the eons of the Infinite.

Oracle Seventy-Three

The commandments were given to you, Beloved. Live within their meaning. Divine Community requires that the human ties be strengthened. Eliminate everything that is disruptive, gives profound unrest, and penetrates your existence. The divine element that stimulates you, Spirit, is within. The divine spark stimulates with increasing intensity when your soul desires to release all that obstructs its growth. Each soul enters existence by being created by the all-powerful Supreme Will. The soul grows and unfolds according to the innate strength it demonstrates. You may increase growth, your soul's treasure, through control. Or, you may waste that which gives to you the elements of intrinsic worth through indulgence and materialistic desire. The choice is yours to make. The person receiving the Word makes the choice influenced by spiritual desire. Gross imagery gives form to the mediocre and harmful. Pure longing creates that which is spiritual. Likewise, your soul responds to the Spirit's influence. In mediocre achievement or regression you will dim your Light through harmful thoughts and acts creating instability that will not sustain you even in a tranquil existence. You create a permanent, divine masterpiece when you control thought and focus longing on the pure and holy. The choice lies within you. Each soul builds according to individual desire. Can you imagine the ultimate? The path you travel leads where your desire wants to go. The path may be short and narrow, or it may have countless existences leading through much wasted effort and take more time. You harmonize with divine guidance when you create with the Infinite. You give to countless souls the pattern to build their lives by the example you live. In this way you are responsible for choice. Would you give a faulty life pattern to your neighbor that forces the neighbor to rebuild in anguish? Or, would you prefer giving by living a pattern that will uplift, sustain, and encourage your neighbor to live the ideal?

Oracle Seventy-Four

Within the Law is the Word. Do you know the meaning of the unalterable Word of eternal consequence? Each soul functions within the Law. It outlines the width and extent of individual effort. No one may go beyond its boundary. The Law limits all existing life to a given type of activity. If you function in harmony with the Law by accepting its statements and living within its principles you are fulfilling the destiny for which you were created. You are in rebellion by denying and opposing the Source of existence if you reject that which sustains you. The unchangeable, supreme Law is the active will of the Omnipotent God, your Father, who rules the universe. All that exists is the active creation of the Divine Will. The Law decrees the operation of the all-enduring and eternal Will. If you accept the agreements given in love and service you are fulfilling that which was decreed. You know the peace of supreme contentment. You sense the radiance of His holy presence. You are the free soul through which the love-current flows and His will is done. In this way your Elder Brother represents the Law. Within the Word is control. The Law says that the individual is to receive systematic supervision in order to obtain whatever motivation is needed. All atoms whether part of a physical body, planet, or creature function through one source - the cosmic inter-penetration that alone sustains active existence. In this way the Word expresses the administration of the Law through varying control agencies. Objects function through the Word that is the Law. What makes the Word operational? It is the Law, the all-powerful, supreme Will of the Great Jehovah. Would you with feeble effort defy the Supreme Will? When you turn away from the Word, deny entrance of the love-force that alone may sustain you, and deny Him who speaks to you through the Word you are defying the Law. Being unchangeable it ultimately influences each individual to accept its truths and each individual will to accept and follow the Supreme Will. If the ultimate is delayed the soul will need additional experience through rebirth along with the accompanying teaching discomforts. If you seriously think about these words of the Master you will find the cause (delay, denial, rejection) of your unrest, weariness of soul, and the unsuccessful effort to stop your pain. Humans seek physical means to decrease the unrest that is within the depths of the soul. Beloved, you can not find in the physical universe an end to your soul's craving. You may try as earnestly and forcefully as you wish but the effect that causes your unrest will remain. The Great Physician, the Master Surgeon, alone through the depth of His compassion possesses the power to alleviate the soul's longing. Can you tell the difference between the stars in infinite space that defy investigation with your physical eyes? Can your eyes measure their size? Only one power gives your soul the ability to investigate the mysteries of Nature. It is the power that the free, selfless soul expresses when living the pure, holy Christic consciousness. He from supreme heights examines the heart of the universe and the heart of humanity understanding with the perception that penetrates all and all that is needed. The Master Surgeon wills that humanity be given the awareness of His living presence. The Voice calls the individual soul giving the promise of eternal peace to the person who willingly gives up prejudicial disbelief that is a barrier to understanding.

Oracle Seventy-Five

Your Elder Brother gives you a stone. What is within it? Being crystallized it resists physical penetration. Its surface is hard. Could you sustain existence and satisfy consuming hunger with this stone? The prejudiced mind is like a stone to the inflow of spiritual understanding of existence. It makes soul's surface hard. Being inharmonious and oppositional the soul repels sustaining nourishment with egotistical self-sufficiency. The sustaining Bread of Life is taken but the person then denies taking it. A person eats from the loaf of bread all the while denying its content. How can you deny the existence of the love-force that penetrates the universe and sustains you as the spiritual essence of divinity? It permeates every atom and cell of your body. It causes your heart to beat and your pulse to respond to the rhythm of Nature's harmony. Yet you deny its existence. Can you differentiate between the cell and the cell? Can you separate the thread from the fabric of your soul? Can you remove brilliance and radiance from a star? When you can dissect the Divine, then you can deny the existence of the spiritual universe that surrounds and sustains you, and of which you are a tiny part composed of atoms. Your mind defies dissection. It supports and uses thought. It allows entry into consciousness like a sieve. You can not dissect its essential part. Beloved, the spiritual universe is within you. It motivates your soul. In this way you are unique. The Supreme Intelligence, your Father, has decided. Each soul must humbly, willingly follow the unchangeable will of the Supreme Creator. This is the source of all you are. Your Elder Brother through control was an example of this will. The Mediator profoundly bows and serves in universal control to initiate and perform the Supreme Will. Can you likewise serve the Father whose immeasurably deep love surrounds you? The person who gives all receives all. This is the Law within which is the Word.

Oracle Seventy-Six

A field of golden grain is in front of you. You know that within the harvested seed is the bread of life. Each grain represents the whole of which it forms an essential part. You see the vineyard with grapes that delight the eyes. Each grape in union with all the other grapes achieves its purpose of filling the wine cask. You see the ocean shore with each grain of sand dependent upon the same atoms for structure and shape. If you would concentrate and analyze the atoms through which Nature operates you would know how the elements are united to nourish physical existence. The grain of sand is part of the foundation of a building. The ripe grain provides nourishment for the physical body to function. Wine quenches thirst. Here are the essentials of physical maintenance. What created these means through which humanity functions? Nature's bounty is generously provided and distributed through the supervision of immortal spirits who serve Master Jesus. These means are symbolic. Nature is the appearance through which the Supreme Will operates. It resists being understood through physical means. Brain serves humans as the instrument of the mind. Its ability depends on the inherent strength of the soul. Soul uses the brain to express thoughts. To subtract the sustaining, motivating cosmic essence from the individual soul would be to remove the integral element, Spirit. The divine nucleus of the soul structure is cosmic. The all-embracing force that flows to sustain the universe is cosmic. Therefore, if a person denies that which self is a part, this person also denies the Source from which personal existence originated. Spirit is part of each atom that in turn is the beginning unit of physical existence. The grain of sand, the fruit, the bread of life, the individual soul - each separate atom is a part of cosmic expression through which the everywhere present Supreme Will operates to promote the growth of the soul whose evolutionary cycle is incomplete and concealed in mystery.

Oracle Seventy-Seven

Beloved, unto you comes the Voice of the Master. He speaks about Eternity. A person talks easily and without thinking about how soul is released from the physical body. The immature soul thinks the transition to the spirit universe leads to no activity and that the heaven-world is a refuge of profound and lasting bliss. Soul enters a state of peace and bliss when the spiritual laws are understood and it functions in harmony with the universal principle. Heaven is located within the soul who conquered selfish desire through willing denial and service. The compensating peace provides soul with profound tranquillity. The receptive soul experiences unity with and awareness of the Divine through which it comes into its rightful heritage. The material mind calls this awareness of the spiritual universe heaven. Soul is not in peace if it is not aware of the spiritual reality. Therefore, the person who longs for heaven must cleanse consciousness through purification. Within the depths of the soul is the state of consciousness called heaven. The baby's intelligence does not accurately show the soul's status suggesting that it is resting. The baby needs protection since it is unaware of its future in physical existence. The immature body is an example of innocence. Consciousness has been covered over so that memory does not recall past evolutionary experience. The immature soul does not accept the law of rebirth. It denies anything that conflicts with its inherent nature that urges soul to fully experience its present existence. To concentrate on past or future physical existences creates insecurity because the active Spirit impresses upon soul an unconscious awareness of the important responsibility its current existence. Each soul awakens and becomes conscious of its responsibility according to its evolutionary status. The baby represents the innocence of silenced, dormant mentality. The progressively increasing awareness of the baby is symbolic of the prolonged process that the soul experiences in the cycle of evolution with the soul gradually turning to the Light. A small portion of this same Light forms the nucleus of the soul.

Oracle Seventy-Eight

Beloved, why did Jesus come to you? He came so you may receive the call through the Word that is the letter of the Law. Each soul in physical existence comes to an awareness of the Divine when evolution provides experience through which soul becomes conscious of its weakness. Soul will return to physical existence for further enriching experience if it turns away from the Light and refuses to listen to the Voice that calls. The garden of the soul may be symbolized as follows. Embryonic seeds are planted. They need cultivation to ripen. The gardener will eventually be rewarded with a harvest of ripened grain or weeds. The soil of life is planted with seeds of spiritual significance. The pure, divine seeds die if the soil is not receptive because barren soil contains inadequate nourishment to sustain and nurture. The soul responds in the same way. Soul may accept the seed and nourish it with a growing understanding of its importance, or its closed mind may ignore the seed that is unique in its ability to give the sought after peace. Nothing of spiritual essence dies in the sense of material death. The ever-present cosmic force that penetrates every object in the universe draws to itself everything of which it is a part. Realize that everything that exists is cosmic. Each leaf that grows on a tree vibrates with the spiritual essence. The pulse of the universe beats in unison with the human heart. All expresses the rhythm of the spiritual tempo that comes from the source of the Supreme, Almighty God. In His sublime, infinite wisdom He created all that is to nourish the elements of the Divine as a result of His will becoming actualized. Your soul should erect a temple in order to acknowledge the infinite power of the Holy Presence in humility. Give to Him your soul's loyalty in innocent devotion because within His love and kindness all is hidden. His love is like a mighty ocean that provides the content for the individual soul of which it is a single drop. In this way your Father's love envelopes you. His compassion that is the foundation for understanding surrounds you. His compassion and awareness of all knows your intimate needs and gives to you what is needed so you may enter the kingdom of the soul within which is your all in all.

Oracle Seventy-Nine

Your Elder Brother calls with a tender Voice of love and compassion. He speaks so you may realize your procrastination. He calls through the spoken Word that represents the Law. In this way the Word flows to invite. Each generation in physical existence receives the call. The Voice speaks and the soul responds or refuses according to its inherent longing. If experience has increased the tempo of the spiritual pulse the soul responds to the harmonic rhythm and functions in unity with spirit. The soul responds through the vibration to which it is attuned. All that exists vibrates in a sustained rhythm. The leaf through its easily seen delicacy is evidence of the permeating cosmic force. The flower through its color-tone reveals the vibration of light waves. The earth reveals its colors through Nature's vibrations. All that vibrates in harmony with the cosmic force in varying degrees of evolution and progress. Your soul's cosmic likeness reveals the exact stage of evolution in which you are functioning through its vibration. Therefore, the universe and everything within it are cosmic. Your soul responds when the Voice comes. The Voice quickens the beat lifting you to an advance in consciousness through harmonic association. Or, through inactivity soul ignores the Voice and refuses the spiritual stimulus. The response is an expression of your longing. In this way your Elder Brother calls again. Will you respond and become more active? These words are important. Are you going to once again turn away from the beautiful Light in indifference and refusal? Do you wish to prolong physical existence through procrastination? The choice is within the individual soul. The call comes like the sound of a silver bell. The Master speaks. Beloved, become active. Enter the workplace of service. Your Father needs what you can give. A dark, dismal haze surrounds humanity. It is a warning of the suffering and anguish ahead. Eliminate the darkness that lures. Its promise is false. Within selfish desire is despair. It gives just momentary satisfaction. Material treasure fades like a dream because its substance is not permanent. Your perishable world reveals change and insecurity. You do not know what the future will bring. Your security is in the soul's achievement. It alone endures and gives joy for effort's reward. Darkness hovers close to you. You see their physical bodies and lives but do not see the gloom of harmful thought that surrounds them. These humans express their pain and suffering by opposing the purification process. You can disarm these neighbors by building a barrier in love that deflects their antagonisms. Healing love is given alike to each soul. Jesus surrounds each soul who seeks the comfort of healing inflow. Soul in unity with Spirit may share that which is yours. Love is the antidote for pain and it alone can quiet humanities troubled waters. Beloved, the Voice speaks to you. Come to the Divine humbly and in willing service so your burden can be lightened. Come and you will be given the ability to see the glory of the Eternal Dawn.

Oracle Eighty

The will becomes cooperative by exercising authority over it. Personal will obeys the Supreme Will and withholds nothing when it cooperates. It is devoted and receives divine inflow that cleanses and lifts revealing the purpose its existence. Willing service advances soul and is the means through which spiritual understanding is readily seen. Humans think of this as the withdrawing or thinning of the separation of mind and Spirit. The separation is the barrier a person erects at mind's request because the spiritual universe surrounds and includes all that is. Humans do not sense the presence of the separation because of the fog of disbelief that surrounds the self. Soul builds a barrier to prevent entry of the love-force and to deflect its beautiful Light. When soul moves beyond materialistic desires at Spirit's encouragement and assistance it begins to dimly see the outline of the Divine with perceptive spiritual vision. Soul advances very gradually. It comes into the Light with unaware and obstructed vision. Through work and strength soul must become adaptable to be the glorious, radiant spiritual force that permeates the universe. When Sorrow knocks at the door of the heart it releases the restricting chains and makes receptive the hardened resistance that previously deflected the holy Light. In this way Sorrow becomes an angelic guest who brings good news of an Eternal Day. The soul's grief will be replaced with deep and permanent joy when a flexible, understanding mind receives the celestial visitor. The Beloved who answered the call did not enter the darkness but entered into the Light of advanced understanding. In this way death wears a scary mask so that humans may be given the lesson of loss through which the Divine is sought.

Oracle Eighty-One

The Holy Word flows so humanity becomes aware of the Living Christ. The call comes in this way. The person wanting to serve the Master must notice the call of suffering humanity and serve unselfishly. This represents the Law that becomes reality in the Word. Therefore, pay attention to the Word. Famine pursues as a grim ghost. Disease is the price paid for human burdens. Destructive natural elements give proof of Nature's supremacy. Can you believe that everything has a purpose? Do you think that nature's destruction is a serious crisis for human souls? Beloved, within all is a purpose. To seek the cause within the effect reveals the reason. Your disobedience of spiritual law is apparent. You can not fulfill your existence within error. The Law demands that growth be consistent. You can indulge in your lower nature to a limited degree if you wish to go backward seeking to once again experience the indulgence of previous stages of growth. Your senses respond to the stimulation of desire that motivate you to harmful acts and thoughts. Can you see and understand ultimate consequences? Divine understanding always evaluates your acts and thoughts. When a reversal occurs the evaluation will be consistent with the Supreme Will and requires the soul to understand the results of its error. You have disobeyed the Law. In disobedience you have refused divine guidance that gives the laws that govern spiritual activity. In this way humanities need becomes apparent. The Master speaks through various sources. He speaks to humanity so that its responses will eliminate the causes of despair. The Law demands anonymous means of communication be employed. The person who receives the Word knows the joy of communion. No selfishness interferes. Through willing compliance the material plane becomes nonexistent and soul functions as Spirit that freely receives the holy influence. This is what humans call communion. Unity with spiritual understanding becomes an actuality. The person who willingly transforms selfish desire and who wishes to serve in whatever service the Divine Will chooses becomes one who works for good. The Master calls to receive a response from souls in physical existence to unite with the Divine Community to serve Master Jesus; that the current unrest be restrained; that suffering be decreased; and that humans understand how to work with and not against one another. The Law reads that humans must be united in community. Greed must be nonexistent. Persons who are poor and disabled, and who suffer must receive compassionate assistance. The person who refuses to respond to the Master's Voice and returns to physical existence should agree to gradually eliminate the previous refusal.

Oracle Eighty-Two

Your Elder Brother attends to you like a shepherd. He calls. He ministers in compassion. He lifts when He sees longing demonstrated. He corrects so you will know the laws of growth. He cleanses when necessary so the wounds of error may heal. All this is done so the Father's Will may be revealed. He sees evidence of weakness in the individual soul. His empathy and compassion surround. He sees the flickering Light of Spirit's flame. He sees it dimmed to near extinction or glorified with its aura enhancing nearby souls. All this He sees in kindness. Can you accept your erring neighbor in love and compassion? You must achieve the ability to do this. Criticism and condemnation must not exist. Compassion disarms hatred with love. The essence of His care flows as healing. Unto you comes the Voice. It appeals earnestly so you may sense the Living Presence. Can you discredit the words of the Master? The person who turns away denies the word's source and builds a barrier out of disbelief. Within these words ring the Holy Anthem which has awakened sorrowful souls through the ages and whose potent significance reveals the source of their origin. You can not deny the Voice because it rings within the depths of your soul revealing your inherent need. Its spiritual depth reveals the source from which you receive everything. The Voice rings as divine spark to divine spark within your consciousness wishing to activate memory so perception is clarified. Your soul acknowledges the source of the Word even though you deny it. Permit the Word to awaken and lift you from the swamp of your foolishness. Permit the glorious, radiant, permanent Light to illuminate the path of willing acceptance. All else fades. Your material treasure will vanish like the breeze. Only the spiritual will sustain. You would humbly turn away if you could see the consequences of greed and selfishness with spiritual eyes. Only willing service lifts the darkness. You see a brief unrest or temporary disturbance. Your Elder Brother sees a corruption of humanities mind that centers on the indulgence of selfish desire. He sees the wasted, frustrated purpose through which soul must pass to reach the Valley of Peace that alone provides the food that satisfies hunger. The person who pays attention enters the path that leads to the heights. The person ascends by eliminating selfish and materialistic desire. The aura becomes radiant as the illuminated soul ascends. Would you wrap your consciousness with the unbeliever's drab colors? Or, would you surround your soul with the beautiful Light that clarifies your insight through understanding?

Oracle Eighty-Three

An immature soul is unknowing. Enlightenment is not possible because it is dense and nontransparent. It resists the penetration of spiritual light. When you see a soul in this stage of development do not harm your own soul with a useless attempt to enlighten. Know that you can not help but the Guiding Force can see within the depths of the immature mind. Evolution shelters the varying stages of consciousness. It provides safety and rest for each soul regardless on which plane of consciousness it functions. All stages must interact with one another. How else would initiative be encouraged? Where would the incentive for growth be if souls of the same stage were segregated and functioned together with no one providing an advanced example? Souls in varying stages of evolution provide the means through which souls in all stages make an effort to advance. The Law works through the universal principle. Nature gives demonstrates the law of inequality. The universal kingdom produces varying grades of achievement. The Law of divine order works in all physical creations of existence, whether organic or inorganic, to nurture incentive through contrast. Wealth gives the means of sharing. There are countless grades for individual effort and each grade gives soul the opportunity for active individual performance. The Law works soul to soul. The mature, advanced, achieving soul provides a good example for the immature soul. Can you see the responsibility that is yours - you who have seen the Light? The ideal is following the example of a soul who has uplifting qualities. Or, that which is built in life will crumble and fall revealing a faulty foundation. The law of inequality stimulates growth throughout the physical universe. Do not be an example of hatred united with resentment. Instead, become healing love. Integrate social levels and encourage them to work in harmony. This is the ultimate.

Oracle Eighty-Four

Your Elder Brother speaks words of wisdom. You can not penetrate the depths of the word's meaning unless you seek enlightenment within your own soul. It is your Spirit that illuminates Holy Thought. Your Spirit also stimulates soul to apply the spiritual laws to itself. The person who skims only the surface of the words of wisdom sees only the outer shell of their real meaning. Longing for enlightenment and a willingness to concentrate will break through the outer shell to discover the nutritious nut, a pearl of rarest value, that may be woven into a prayer of peace to beautify consciousness. In this way the seeker receives according to the longing. The words of the Master penetrate the soul of a receptive person and satisfy the thirst. Humanity drinks alcoholic wine. It distorts the senses if drunk in excess. The divine vintage your Elder Brother is called the Wine of Life because through it Spirit stimulates and gives to soul the Divine halo. The halo's radiance enhances thought and gives it an enriched content of great depth. This analogy reveals the symbolism of the grape and wine. It is sweet and bubbly, but within it is the quality that excites, animates, and destroys senses when abused. Nature gives generously. Humans take and exchange that which is beautiful through indulgence to create something that is eventually harmful. A person makes choices through free will. The abuse of alcohol is an experience that enslaves and creates binding chains that ultimately reveals insufficient strength to break the chains. Then comes bitterness filled with despair. Excess creates pain.

Oracle Eighty-Five

Indulgence enslaves the soul. It restricts and is a cruel form of slavery. Soul experiences powerlessness as a consequence of slavery. It then begins to appreciate freedom. Incentive to achieve freedom gives birth to effort. The enslaved soul wants release. It rebuilds what was destroyed when it is willing to eliminate the dominant weaknesses. Error weakens the soul. The body may become ill and disabled. Disease results from some errors. The body may become more receptive and sensitive through mistreatment. The indulgent soul gratifies sensual desire. This misuse is a violation of Nature that requires restitution. Mind is the means of soul's expression and allows sensual desire. Mind is located within the brain. The result is that body does what mind wants and forces upon brain the results of corruption. Within the brain are the controlling nerve-centers that control action. If you abuse the brain, your physical temple, you harm and weaken morale that depends on willpower. Willpower is the moral strength of the spiritual structure. Can you understand the complex process? The spiritual attributes of mind, soul, and consciousness function through the body that you misuse. Physical illness may result. Perhaps the weakness for your present illness comes from a previous physical existence. You may harvest in a future physical existence the seeds you are planting in this existence. No one escapes the consequences of harmful actions. The harms are within your consciousness where you planted them. Only through atonement and restitution may consciousness be cleansed of the harms and their effects.

Oracle Eighty-Six

The person who hides something immoral creates a painful experience in the future. Within consciousness is created a thought-form replica of the immoral act or thought. Thought expresses soul's desire and creates all that exists in physical form. Within mind the developing seed must be planted before the object can be realized. Thought motivates action and is the source of initiative. It gives ideas to mind. Mind then develops the ideas according to its inherent strength by drawing from consciousness what is stored therein to enhance the beginning idea. Therefore, a thought-form replica must be created before it can become a tangible, physical reality. A thought-form is built of hateful retaliation even if the desire is hidden. The person builds that which will return to one's self. Do you see how the Law works? It is unchangeable and gives to soul exactly what is earned. Self has been mastered when the power to govern the mind is a living reality because Spirit has enabled soul to reflect nothing but pure, holy desire. Soul will no longer condemn because it sees Spirit in each erring soul when weakness has been overcome and selflessness reigns. When someone harms you do not seek revenge. Instead, remaining calm and assured, heal with the essence of your compassion that is given birth through your understanding.

Oracle Eighty-Seven

A bird wings its path through the infinite sky. It travels by instinct. Instinct is the guidance it receives from the ever-surrounding mass consciousness that protects creature existence. It instinctively seeks its home through which destiny is fulfilled. Humans do not understand this demonstration of the Divine very well because the source of the bird's instinct is not considered. The bird goes and it comes. This is the understanding. Spirit creation and supervision are the source of instinct. The divine universe provides the food to sustain its existence. Birds set an example of intrinsic worth for humans. He who feeds the birds will supply humans to meet their inherent needs. Humans long for abundance yet waste what the Father created for the common good. Waste is not a part of the divine plan. It is humans who demonstrate a wasteful spirit through greed. The table is loaded with food part of which is taken from the needy. The cry of hunger and need is not heard. Being deaf, the person pampers self. The Supreme Intelligence created enough for every human need. Work causes suffering and deprivation if greed creates a monopoly. A common cross is inflicted that the needy of humanity must carry. A benefactor personifies the humane principle. Surplus should benefit humanity through wise and timely distribution. What will you do if you possess a surplus of material goods? Would you enrich the soul with permanent treasure? Or, would you impoverish yourself in selfish indulgence? The choice is yours.

Oracle Eighty-Eight

If someone comes wearing clothes of poverty, asking for assistance, and your table contains plenty of food would you welcome this person and share your feast? Or, would you close the door? Jesus the man in physical existence experienced sorrow and anguish. There were no comforts of luxury when He was tired. He walked among the poor and lowly in the spirit of fellowship demonstrating His love. He shared bread with the disciples. He gave the Bread of Life that does not spoil to the hungry. If you deny your neighbor that which sustains life within physical existence then you will hunger for spiritual food after death of the physical body because you have refused to feed the person who asked. Within your soul is the famine that understanding and sorrow will relieve. The Law works in this way.

Oracle Eighty-Nine

Jesus spoke in parables so you may understand the Law within the Word. You will be immeasurably enriched and advance if you accept and act on the Laws that govern soul's progress. You walk blindly without seeing the danger ahead if you refuse. Your soul supports you and expresses desire through mind and body. Within your soul is your Spirit that is unchangeable and divine, and who you are. Do you want your Spirit to increase its radiance and illuminate soul through your acceptance? Or, do you prefer that it remain dormant and thereby permit the folly of indulging in selfish, materialistic desire by refusing to accept it? Your decision will determine whether you grow or return once again to physical existence to walk the path of experience to educate the immature self. Only in this way do you become more receptive. You are readied to rebuild and strengthen your soul by understanding weakness. The person who accepts the Master's words becomes a power for good. Refusing the Master's words adds to the ignorance that makes it more difficult to help humanity. The Law says Like to like.

Oracle Ninety

Your Elder Brother places a pool of stagnant water in front of you. The water is not refreshing. You would become depressed living beside this stagnation. See your Elder Brother drop transforming pureness into the pool. Slowly the impure pool becomes pure. Impurity is reduced as the purity increases. This is similar to the human mind that focuses on selfish and materialistic desire. Its stagnation and decay are unacceptable to pureness. Do you know the remedy? A drop of pain, unrest, or loss is dropped into this pool of human endeavor so that the impure will be transformed into pureness. Humans see only the surface. The Master-Surgeon looks deeply seeing the impurities that prevent striving. You would see the need for purification if you could see within the individual consciousness. You would see greed, selfishness, and jealousy that have been nourished by indulging immature thoughts and acts. The human illness has been revealed to you so you may see the remedy within upheaval and cataclysmic measures of Nature.

Oracle Ninety-One

A beautiful Light illuminates your soul. Its divine radiance eliminates hostility, hatred, and prejudice that motivate retaliation. Within the Light everything is seen with pristine clarity. Weakness is revealed that makes it difficult for soul's advancement. The purpose of existence is given. Humans call this the eternal Light but is really the Father's love and His supreme power through which the universe and all within it is motivated. The atom is formed through the cohesive element, penetrated with the cosmic inflow, and is the embodiment of the complex, sublime system through which the atomic principle becomes an actuality. Humans see only a minute portion of the means through which Nature functions. Mind's prejudice creates a barrier that prevents the spiritual universe from being experienced. The Spirit and mind are inseparable, dual revelations of the Supreme Will. The spiritual is the initial design upon which the physical is patterned. Therefore, the doors to spiritual understanding and the creative impulse are automatically closed if prejudice denies spiritual reality. To separate the drop from the drop requires intricate skills if its content is to be dissected. The skill of the believing, enlightened soul must be used to dissect the means through which Nature operates. Only the soul whose faith is receptive to sustaining guidance is capable of seeing within the unfolding mystery of creative existence. The unbeliever's prejudice prevents the Holy Light from entering the soul because the enlightening Spirit's flame is dim. From within comes the Spirit, the divine radiance, that is preserved by the cosmic inflow. The soul is illuminated through Spirit's pristine and fundamental structure. Soul is the means for Spirit's expression.

Oracle Ninety-Two

The person who knows peace experiences the bliss of a harmonizing soul. The soul in spiritual communion has been lifted to the realm of identifying with Spirit, there are no selfish or material desires, and Spirit freely influences soul. Harmony motivates and the tempo of expression is unified. The rhythm of the sublime sustains. Soul has established stability through unity. Soul demonstrates observable faith by being receptive to Divine Guidance. The physical universe experiences through which soul conquered desire cease to cause trouble and worry. The soul has abandoned selfish and materialistic purpose and longs for enlightenment and growth. Soul ceases to strive for that which is temporary when it realizes that material are possessions perishable. It understands that physical possessions are supplied by the Guiding Force to further growth through the appearance of experience. True value is placed on the treasure of the mind and soul whose fundamental worth is higher than all others. Therefore, items providing creature comfort are of secondary value. Humans function in physical existence. Therefore, the material world must feed the body and maintain a state of well-being. Civilization progresses for these purposes. Life is enjoyed when a person accepts physical existence as a gift of the Supreme Creator and gives personal surplus to aid humanity. The Law of proportion gives that which meets every need. Reason is the silent voice of the Spirit. It guides soul indicating the boundary line that separates true from false, uplifting from corrupt, and pure from impure.

Oracle Ninety-Three

Do you know why your Elder Brother clearly lays before you the weaknesses of physical existence? It is so you may understand, rise above, and overcome them, and that by understanding the remedy you will become a healer. You can understand the remedy. The laws were given to purify soul. The transforming process will occur throughout the evolutionary cycle. You may prolong the evolutionary process indefinitely. Or, you may speed achievement by understanding your dominating, inherent weaknesses. The choice lies with each person. The bliss of a compensating peace is the reward for willing elimination of material desire and selfish effort. Humans learn that the eliminated desires are immature and disposable longings. The person does not accurately appreciate immaturity until golden maturity is perceived. People do not see the Light filled spiritual universe that lies beyond the infinity of space. Only the repelling darkness is perceived. The spiritual universe is unchangeable. Soul through willing abandonment of self-serving purpose enters that which unbelief could not know. Realities exist that can not be seen with physical vision. You will ascend to the eternal, spiritual universe when your brief physical existence is complete. There is no alternative because the Law through which your creation became an actuality requires entry into the Portals of the Infinite to further your soul's spiritual understanding and growth. Beloved, your Elder Brother gives the unchangeable laws through which your soul functions. Learn their content so enlightenment may eliminate false beliefs and ignorance.

Oracle Ninety-Four

The person who enters the Kingdom of Heaven has a soul that identifies with and worships the Divine. The Holy of Holies has been created through which soul enters into its rightful heritage. Humans speak of the Kingdom of Heaven seeking the entrance within infinity. Within each individual is the divine element, Spirit, through which you became a soul. Spirit created the nucleus, soul, that is you. It provides the stimulus for thought since it is the motivating, boosting force through which you express. To deny the nucleus of your existence is to deny the existence of the Supreme God. You came into existence within the expression of His power. The person who understands the creation of the individual soul gives to Supreme Intelligence the devotion and love through which soul recognizes the Creator. This understanding has also preserved existence. Just as flint in contact with steel will produce a spark, Spirit will recognize the soul and illuminate it. The Supreme Will expresses itself through the cosmic force and penetrates each atom intensifying its initial strength. In this way incentive is given for effort. You are a tiny part of the cosmic universe. Nature, the Cosmic Mother, demonstrates the supreme power through gestation. Human, creature, and plant each respond to her urge to procreate through birth and rebirth. Nature reveals the intricate and supreme means through which perpetuation takes place. The system is persistent.

Oracle Ninety-Five

The Golden Precepts have been given to you with which to beautify your consciousness. These are the priceless gems of the Infinite. Accept them, Beloved. Use them as your thread of prayer for the soul to weave an eternal robe. Unto you came the Master-Healer so your wounds would become receptive to the healing inflow through His tenderness. He bathed your wounds with His compassion. His love flowed to lift you so you would see the Light eternal. He calls through the living Word that speaks to you. Immerse your soul within the Word for therein is the remedy for your pain. Here is the only place to find the Light that does not fail and that transforms the dark mind into a pure and holy temple. Dedicate your longing to that which purifies, uplifts, and pulls you closer to the temple of your existence. Immerse your soul in the Fount of Absolution that may be found by conquering materialistic, selfish desire. Enter the Portals of the Divine through the birth of understanding. The Word supports you for therein is all that is. The eternal, supreme Word reveals the working of the Law that is the Omnipotent Will expressed. Within the Law you are. Within the Word you are sustained. The Master speaks through the Book of Life that contains the revelation. The revelation is the enlightenment through which your soul comes into awareness of the laws within which it functions. The foundation has been given so that the Universal Teaching may be revealed and lived through the Living Presence. The active elements of the Living Presence are love, understanding, and compassion. Love sustains. Understanding prevents criticism and blame. Compassion forgives and lifts. Within the Law is the Word. And within the Word is peace. Selah

Laws

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General - Within the Law thou art. And within the Word thou art sustained. Soul serves soul. This is the supreme unchangeable Law.

Law of Affiliation - Like to like.

Law of Compassion - The weaker soul is surrounded with divine understanding and healing love regarding its inconsistent efforts or inability to accept the spiritual reality. The compassionate person will light the path for another soul.

Law of Consequence - The person who plants, harvests, and stores grain at the proper time knows the joy of achievement. The person who waits too long wants the comfort of rest and fulfillment but will have little grain with which to satisfy hunger. This is the Golden Oracle.

Law of Constant Supervision - All individual souls function with constant oversight and supervision of spirit beings.

Law of Disparity - Growth is stimulated by individuals making comparisons with others. There is a purpose within the dissimilarity. Each soul sees a soul of higher attainment and maturity. This example gives birth to desire for similar achievement. Within example is the urge for increased activity.

Law of Divine Interpretation - No healer may transform physical illness into a state of non-existence unless the healer first has become innately pure through cleansing.

Law of Equality - Individuals affect more than themselves. People having similar natures are neighbors and influence one another. Equality is the state in which all are as one and equal in value. The Supreme Intelligence established this as the ultimate achievement.

Law of Eternal Consequence - This is understood by the thinking mind as addressing the cause of error rather than believing that the law punishes error. By the unthinking mind this is considered punishment. Each act has a consequence whether trivial or important. Soul builds its foundation based on life experiences and natural consequences.

Law of Growth - Soul unfolds like a flower with the petals of thought responding to the divine impulse. Mind desires an ever-widening viewpoint due to its effortless versatility. It sinks its roots into the soil of varied interests in response to incoming thought. Mind is living normally when it reaches beyond the restricting boundary of its present belief system. An acute hardship is forced onto mind by denying its craving for additional enlightenment. Preventing the expansion of soul, mind, or body that Nature demands is to create harm. Belief systems are the frameworks in which soul satisfies its craving for spiritual nourishment through absorption.

Law of Inequality - Souls interact between all stages of consciousness. Where would the incentive for growth be if souls of the same stage were segregated and functioned together with no one providing an advanced example? Incentive for growth is nurtured through contrast. Social levels are integrated and encouraged to work in harmony.

Law of Karma - To each soul is returned whatever is earned regardless of consequence. No one escapes. Step by step the ladder of achievement is climbed. If the lower rung is a weakness, a return to that exact weakness is required in order to build a stronger life structure and climb higher. It is the law of cause and effect. This law is really the hand of love and concern that

tenderly brushes from consciousness the rubble of wasted effort. It is the governing principle within which soul must function on its evolutionary path. It gives soul that which is earned whether joy or sorrow, peace or despair. Nothing happens because of luck, and within each thought and act is a related result

Law of Predetermination - Each soul is assigned to the exact plane of consciousness it earned in the most recent physical existence.

Law of Progress - Souls attract other souls so that additional strength is given to their effort.

Law of Propagative Instinct. - The seed is deposited within the soil.

Law of Proportion - Soul has purpose and lends support to the Great Whole because it is a part thereof. The perfected whole means completion of the divine pattern. In this way the individual soul is a link in the chain of perpetual existence.

Law of Rebirth - Procreative instinct motivates humans and animals to reproduce. Rebirth alone provides soul with experience. This law regulates the exact plane of consciousness where souls function according to their spiritual understanding and wait for another descent into physical matter for additional experience. This law ensures that the soul will re-experience and rebuild each weakened thread in the fiber of its being. It precisely regulates the lifetime of each creation in order to serve evolution. There are rebirths from the physical to the spiritual and from the spiritual to the physical. There are also rebirths within a lifetime such as the Christian concept of being born again. To reject this is to subtract from evolution the wheel on which it rotates.

Law of Reversal - Example: The soul will keep surplus wealth and use it to make wasteful purchases and decorations if selfish purpose is dominant. This soul will once again experience poverty in a physical existence to learn the lesson of philanthropy.

Law of Supreme Sacrifice - Jesus exemplified this law. His soul forced mind and body to obey through innate strength. The cross is the course of the individual soul. This includes countless physical and spiritual lives through which soul must crucify materialistic and selfish desire to attain the ultimate. The Cross is the eternal symbol that each soul must climb and conquer until selfless existence and service are achieved.

Law of Universal Control - Universal control is an intricate system of providing overall coordination. It insures that nothing is unknown. Each creation supports the growth of more advanced creations. Creation serves and ensures evolutionary progress. Acceptance of life's circumstances is part of this law.

Law of Universal Relations - The Golden Rule, The Golden Precept. Insightful living within its ancient wisdom actualizes the active principle of divine understanding and is the backbone of the religious principle. If a person gives in thought, which stimulates speech and acts, only what one wishes to receive the person does not take from the neighbor that which is valued. The person does not cause harm. Only that which uplifts and heals is given. This is profound love being lived. To wound is to invite retaliation. To live with a yearning to heal prevents the possibility of injuring others.

Definitions

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Aura - The light that surrounds and enhances soul and is its outer layer. It reflects the stage of evolution. The immature soul has a cloudy aura that means its mind is closed to spiritual acceptance and understanding. The aura of a soul in close unity with the Divine is a translucent, encircling radiance.

Authority - Authority in the lower planes of consciousness is frequently associated with a loss of freedom, discomfort, forced activity, fear, and painful consequences for noncompliance. Consequently, concepts such as control, regulation, supervision and the Creator's Will have unpleasant meanings. Authority in the higher planes is associated with joy, increased freedom, gain, no painful consequences, and increased Divinity. In other words, soul's identification with Spirit is complete. Soul becomes Spirit. Divine purpose, process, and guiding laws are those of individual Spirit.

Birth - Birth is the means through which the soul descends into physical reality.

Charity - Charity is the means through which love is expressed. It gives tenderly and is thankful for the privilege. Charity gives the Bread of Life that alone satisfies those who suffer and are oppressed.

Christic - The Christ-like attribute is the selfless state of existence. Soul is naturally pure and functions as an aspect of the divine. The eternal soul was created to personify the Law as part of spirit.

Communion - When soul identifies with Spirit material and selfish desires are eliminated, and Spirit freely influences soul. The necessary qualification for achieving communion and oneness with Divine Mind which releases inspirational thought is the yearning to enrich humanity and to share freely that which is given without desire for payment.

Compassion - It is the flower of spirituality and the active principle that Jesus sought to instill within humanity. The gift of compassion includes sacrifice. In advanced souls sacrifice and compassion merge as an aspect of holistic love. Compassion originates in understanding. It wishes to heal and uplift burdens. Compassion expresses the Divine and is its outward expression. Greater love has no person than to sacrifice and give one's life for another.

Consciousness - Consciousness has two meanings that can be confusing. (1) It is a store-house of knowledge. Personal consciousness receives all impressions from thought and thereby contains both waste and treasure. It receives mind's contents with perfect precision. Soul will sort through and evaluate its contents retaining only that which enhances and advances divine fulfillment. Consciousness is permanent and gives soul the power of expression. Mind responds to Spirit's influence in association with consciousness. (2) Consciousness is a state of achievement. Consciousness reveals the stage of evolution in which a soul functions. It reveals the period of growth and exact level at which mind functions. Consciousness includes Spirit's urge that motivates existence through soul. Consciousness is the means through which the Supreme Will functions in individual effort. Mind becomes one with consciousness through the process of absorption when soul becomes a purified substance. Soul draws from the content of its own consciousness once it attains Christic consciousness and through this awareness soul expresses the Divine.

Control - The means through which evolution takes place and the universal principle is governed. Order is maintained through a vast, intricate system of supervision. Control is the only way to establish and maintain order. Control is also the amount of restraint appropriate for all grades of physical and spiritual evolution.

Conversion - Is the means rebirth of thought and intention. At that moment the light of divine understanding enlightens the soul cleansing with its capacity to heal. This uplift gives increased strength to destroy the chains of error. The light of understanding clarifies with its radiance. This type of rebirth is a process through which the soul in the physical world experiences the same transformation as experienced by its spiritual counterpart, Spirit. Soul receives that which enhances its evolution when it is open to reception from Spirit.

Cosmic - The universal force through which God operates and that is God. It is the Divine force through which the Supreme Will is expressed. It demonstrates supreme power through universal control. It flows through, sustains, and unifies the spiritual and physical universes.

Creative Instinct/Impulse - It is generated intentionally, its division allows universal adaptation, and it is the supreme power through which the Omnipotent God furthers creation. It originates in the realm of celestial existence and is the source of all that is.

Christic Principle - Christic means Christ-like. The five fundamental elements of the Christic principle are love, charity, universal understanding, compassion, and selflessness.

Cross - The cross is the symbol of purity. It also symbolizes that which each soul must ultimately do: willingly crucify the material, selfish self; subordinate individual will to the Divine Will; and eliminate all that is destructive and that weakens morale regarding self and others. Sacrifice as renunciation and loss of freedom is transformed and reborn as selfless service and unlimited freedom.

Crucifixion - The individual must willingly crucify the materialistic, selfish self on the cross of divine understanding that is the ultimate and necessary achievement so that selflessness may arise and serve. Jesus descended into physical life to teach humanity the universal principle of sacrifice. The Supreme Intelligence willed that the beloved Son should give to humanity the supreme idea of rebirth through crucifixion. The crucifixion represents the experience through which each soul must pass along with its corresponding anguish. Compassion is the active principle that the Christic Being sought to instill within humanity through the sacrifice of crucifixion.

Death - The death of the physical body is in reality birth in disguise.

Desert - The desert symbolizes the barren soul that rejects Divine ideas and life because it lacks understanding.

Desire - There are two broad categories of desire: (1) personal, materialistic, selfish, self-serving, impure, immature, indulgent, self-gratifying; and (2) spiritual, pure, mature, advanced. Desires are the dominant attractions that activate soul. Soul expresses desire according to the degree to which it manifests spiritual strength. Weakness (level one desire) is a necessary grade in the school of experience. Its purpose is to allow soul to understand the futility of error. Thought through mind creates desire. Desire is the means to achieve unity. Desire matures as the soul matures across time and experience. Gold needs to be refined before it is pure.

Divine - The Divine is the cosmic pattern of the Supreme Will and is the universal expression that creates all that is. Terms such as Divine/divine are capitalized or not consistent with the 1934 text.

Divinity - This is a general term representing the Creator and all the infinite, absolute, pure aspects of the Creator. Love, universal understanding, compassion, and charity are the priceless jewels of Divinity.

Ego - The beginning ego becomes aware of its creation within the individual divine spark, Spirit. The ego becomes a soul through the process of absorbing that which is enclosed within its portion of mass-consciousness. The soul becomes a physical example of the divine's separation into its constituent parts through evolution that is nurtured by innumerable births. This process is long and complicated with equality and symmetry as the basis for providing the exact habitat necessary for the soul's stage of evolution.

Element - Elements are the various parts of the whole. Divine elements are the seeds that the Almighty God planted within the garden of creation.

Enlightenment - Enlightenment is the process through which soul forms a unity with, learns from, and becomes an active part of Divine Mind.

Evolution - Spirit, soul, mind, and body are the active elements of human existence extending from spiritual expression to physical processes. Evolution is the bridge that permits the interaction of all activities and elements. Evolution is the process through which all consciousness grows and advances. The law of rebirth precisely regulates the life-time of each creation in order to serve evolution. Progress is essential in evolution's plan and love is the dominant, supreme motivating force.

Experience - Experience is the active task-master that uses varied opportunities to give soul the power to expand, grow, and advance through the planes of consciousness to immortality. It forces soul to experience pain and reveals the heights of bliss. Experience, along with discipline, teach the priceless lesson of self-control. The Guiding Force uses experience as an opportunity for humans to confront weakness, receive divine gifts, and serve others.

Golden Rule or Golden Precept - Golden Rule/Precept of ancient roots includes within its principles the unalterable Law of Universal Relations. It is the backbone of the religious principle. If a person gives in thought, which stimulates speech and acts, only what one wishes to receive the person does not take from a neighbor that which is valued. The person does not cause harm. Only that which uplifts and heals is given. This is profound love being lived. To wound is to invite retaliation. To live with a yearning to heal prevents the possibility of injuring others.

Golden Oracle - The person who harvests and stores grain at the proper time knows the joy of achievement. The person who waits too long wants the comfort of rest and fulfillment but will have little grain with which to satisfy hunger. Also known as the Law of Consequence.

Guiding Force - The Guiding Force is a vast group of selfless souls. They have completed the evolutionary cycle by ascending through the many planes of consciousness to attain Christ-consciousness. The Guiding Force serves humanity as part of the Supreme Mediatorship whose passion is selfless assistance. Members of the invisible Guiding Force serve in all fields of activity and in all capacities authorized by the Divine Will.

Illumination - The light of understanding is given birth that manifests Divine compassion and tolerance. Illumination is the evidence of the process through which soul perceives various aspects of the Divine. See enlightenment.

Immortal - An immortal is a soul who completed the evolutionary cycle, no longer needs to return to physical existence, and has ascended through the many planes of consciousness to attain Christ-consciousness. This state of existence is characterized by selflessness. This celestial attainment gives soul the privilege of serving and communicating directly with the Master. The immortal alternates the activities of creative bliss and service in equal parts.

Living Word - See Word.

Love - Love is the radiant Light produced by Spirit, the divine element within each human. Love is the Supreme Will in action and the manner in which Divine power is expressed. This Light comes from one source, the Supreme Intelligence, demonstrating omnipotent power. Love includes soul's rightful heritage of understanding, sacrifice, compassion, and willing obedience. Love motivates and sustains the soul providing the means for expansion. Love embraces all that exists. All-embracing, all-surrounding love gives all and asks for nothing. It is wounded by, endures, and crucifies the materialistic, selfish self. Love is part of the divine impulse and all-embracing healing essence. Love is direct unity with the Divine Mind and the supply from which soul draws its content. Love is all-forgiving and does not see dominating weaknesses. It does not blame or condemn by concentrating on the divinity that motivates soul.

Mass Consciousness - It is formed through a concentrated effort of massed immortal souls who selflessly function within the celestial heights through divine delegation. Mass-consciousness controls the various kingdoms (mineral, vegetable, and animal) and is an example of the divine principle's supervision. Mass-consciousness evolves and is motivated through the guidance of the cosmic force. The beginning soul in group-form comes from the enveloping folds of mass-consciousness knowing no individuality or independence.

Mass Mind - The mass mind is humanity as a whole.

Mind - Mind is the outer portion of consciousness, and is its intricate, complicated system of control. Mind's origin is soul's insistence for expression. It sifts consciousness thought. Mind laboriously constructs that which sustains thought using the contents of consciousness and with soul's support. Mind yields to soul's incoming thought which gives soul an opportunity to actively express its desire through speech or action. Mind may become the servant of soul. The brain is the means for mind's activity and through multiple nerve-centers it enables the body to receive and respond. Nerve-centers give expression to desire with mind in control. Mind may work a hardship on soul because of its potential habit of non-obedience. Teaching mind to control its thoughts and to consistently, willingly obey the soul furthers progress. Mind is the buffer between the soul and consciousness. Mind is independent of soul when not an obedient extension of soul. It may take from consciousness that which supports its own wishes and is not relevant to soul's expectations.

Obedience - Obedience is a willing union the individual's will with the Divine Will. At this point obedience becomes freedom to live and express consistently with personal Spirit thereby gaining and being self rather than losing self.

Planes/Stages/Grades of Consciousness/Evolution - The many levels of soul development beginning with new souls through advancement to completion in immortality. Souls advance as evolution is completed.

Purification - The essentials of the process of purification are conquering the material self, eliminating material desire, and willing union of the individual will with the Supreme Will.

Rebirth - Rebirth may happen within a single life (such as the Christian concept of being born again - see Conversion), or may refer to cycling between multiple physical and spiritual existences. Rebirth is the process through which soul advances and evolution takes place. It is the acceleration of spiritual vibration needed in order to rise to a higher level of consciousness. Rebirth stimulates thought through which soul expresses itself. Thought, the silent monitor, motivates mind to cooperate as urged by spirit. Rebirth is a supreme achievement of the Creator's art propelled by the reproductive instinct that nourishes creation.

Sacrifice - Sacrifice is the immersion of the individual will into the Divine will where the soul accepts everything without rebellion. Soul blends into oneness with Divinity at the highest levels of development. Within oneness the concepts of obedience and sacrifice no longer apply since there are no differences, and they blend with the attributes of Divinity.

Selah - Selah may be the most difficult word in the Hebrew Bible to translate. It is probably either a liturgico-musical mark or an instruction on the reading of the text, something like "stop and listen". Its origin, historical development, and precise meaning are unknown. This word occurs seventy-one times in thirty-nine of the Psalms, and three times in Habakkuk 3. Sometimes it is interpreted as "silence" or "pause."

Selflessness - This principle of Christ-likeness includes the fundamentals of love, tolerance, compassion, charity, and universal understanding. Combined they define selflessness which is the ultimate for all souls. Through selflessness the weaknesses and idiosyncrasies of physical existence are attended with compassionate concern. Selfless spirit supervision is focused on comforting the human soul and shortening its evolutionary cycle. The selfless status reflects the purity, creative extension, and freedom of the Creator and selfless souls.

Service - Service is assisting the Creator and others selflessly, the means through which soul ascends, and the means through which growth becomes apparent. The Supreme Intelligence requires service on all planes of consciousness. Soul's desire determines the opportunities for service. Options are always consistent with soul's aspirations. Service establishes the bond of community, the universal link in the chain of eternal continuity, in which soul joyfully gives its all. Soul serving soul. This is the supreme unchangeable Law.

Soul - Spirit, enclosed within mass-consciousness, forms a soul-structure through absorption. Soul surrounds personal Spirit that is soul's life-giving genius. The nut is like the soul that surrounds personal Spirit. Removing Spirit from soul's center leaves nothing resembling life. Removing the Spirit kernel from the outer shell leaves nothing but past efforts and leaves Spirit exposed. Spirit participates in the Divine. The Divine is the cosmic pattern of the Supreme Will and is the universal expression that creates all that is. Soul expresses itself through thought. The soul finds expression by realizing and fulfilling its predominant desire. Soul-structure uses absorption as the process of growth. Soul becomes aware of Spirit's motivating power through varied experience. Soul is enriched according to its ability to receive. Its ability to receive is determined by the depth of its understanding through which it expresses innate desires. Soul, when the cycle of evolution is complete and energized by Spirit, becomes one with the Divine Mind and functions as an active part of it.

Spirit - The Light or divine spark that enlightens and resides within soul. It is the active agent of Supreme Intelligence. Spirit is stimulated to actively express the Omnipotent Will through the universal principle due to its divine origin. It reveals itself as an integral part of the Great Whole that sustains universal harmony. Spirit is the beginning of ego and the nucleus of the soul. Spirit

urges soul to express itself. Soul may follow Spirit's motivations forcing mind to obey as expressions of speech or actions according to soul's desire. Spirit illuminates its surrounding, growing soul with greater and greater intensity giving soul its radiant and brilliant appearance.

Spirituality - Spirituality is the cosmic explanation for existence, or the part of the pure soul that reflects Spirit's radiance. Purity is the measure of spirituality within the individual soul. The pure soul's thought-stream flows within spiritual understanding and naturally rejects that which is impure.

Strength - The ability of soul to stand alone, accept and eliminate weakness, and remain pure and true to Spirit. Integrity is soul's internal honesty that defines strength. Flattery and praise are the acid tests applied to measure soul's innate strength according to the standards of divine understanding.

Temple - Soul becomes a Temple when it willingly obeys and serves the Divine. In this way soul, illuminated by its divine spark Spirit, consecrates itself to service. Service is longing to assist those who suffer and waiting in private for an awareness of the Divine call. A disciple's Temple is dedicated to serving the Supreme.

Temptation - Temptation is an attempt to lure soul and mind into doing or saying something that is materialistic, selfish, or immature and therefore inconsistent with spiritual growth and stability. It is used to test inner strength according to need.

Time - Time is the process through which mind divides an activity into exact units of measurement. It solidifies the expression of thought. Divine reality has neither time nor space.

Thought - Thought is soul's voice that actively reflects innate weaknesses, strengths, and level of attainment. It is a permanent attribute of and the basis for communication. Thought compels mind to be active. It controls speech and action to pursue its desires through the brain. It leaves a permanent record within consciousness that remains after death of the body where it is comprehensively examined. Its waste is discarded and its treasure is retained. Pure thought is selfless. A person is one's thoughts. Thought is also the means through which the Supreme Being demonstrates control and expresses the essence of the Divine.

Transformation - Transformation is the illumination through which soul perceives Divine essence. It removes error as a barrier to progress and uses pure intent to accumulate an enduring storehouse of thought.

Unfolding - Unfolding is the means for soul's growth. It is the process through which the developing soul becomes a radiant, selfless being by eliminating selfish desire. It is the transformation from immature to mature, from self-centeredness to an advanced state of existence. Eons of time are involved to make soul a power for good. Soul alternates from spiritual to physical understanding through the process of rebirth during these eons. Only in this way is evolution nourished.

Universal Principle - Universal principle is the infinite Omnipotent Will. It outlines the path the individual soul must walk from its beginning to its ultimate attainment. Christic teaching is an example. All philosophies and religions contains kernels of its truth. All objects must first be created in spiritual reality before the replica is formed in physical reality.

Universality - Universality is everything that exists. It includes all forms of life and is the vast melting pot. Universality embraces all and denies none. Based on love, its roots extend throughout the soil of civilization with its shoots accepting all philosophies and beliefs. Every

philosophy is founded on a grain of truth just as a loaf of bread's foundation is a grain of wheat. Through concentrated effort the soul must find truth within the texts and discard civilization's corrupting illusion, glamour, and restricting beliefs. Universality blends all beliefs and philosophies within holistic union and understanding. Prejudice, antagonism, and racial discord all dissolve through the divine essence of love that purifies and clarifies mind.

Weakness - Weakness is going along with or indulging in non-spiritual desires such as selfishness, materialism, impurity, and immaturity. These desires may control or dominate a person's thoughts, emotions, actions, or intentions. Such desires must become known, accepted, and transformed in order to grow spiritually. If not, they cause hardship and slow growth. In turn, the hardship is intended to draw attention to these desires so they may be transformed and outgrown.

Will/Will-Power - Will or will-power is personal moral strength or stamina. Desire gives will-power the means to accomplish its goals. Soul forces mind to cooperate with will-power. Will power works for good if desire concentrates on that which uplifts, and destroys if it focuses on corruption. Will-power is a force of supreme capability when opposing evil.

Word - The written Word (or Living Word) contains the unalterable Divine Law. The Word is the Law within which lies the promise of eternal life. The Word is the Living Voice. The Word is shared so that humanity is given the assurance of the eternal life and continuity of the soul. The Word also illuminates the path that soul must walk to accomplish the ultimate achievement, immortality. It alone offers the counterbalancing peace that heals. Within the Word is the supreme and sublime assurance of love. What makes the Word operational? It is the Law, the all-powerful, supreme Will of the Great Jehovah. Within the Law you are. And within the Word you are sustained. The Word expresses the administration of the Law through varying control agencies. It is the means through which evolution takes place.