

“THE DAILY LESSON”

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“THE PRINCIPLES EVERY INFINITE WAY STUDENT MUST KNOW,”

Side One Continued

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THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 1, 2013

“Well, now continuing this **NUMBER TEN**. You ‘open out a way’ for giving of your ‘first fruits.’ And you do that just as you have just been shown how to do it for The Infinite Way so you must do it for your friends and your

relatives and ultimately you must do that for your enemies too. You must give of the 'first fruits.' And you will find in this, that through this, Christ will be born in you. Even if Christ has not yet made Its appearance in you, Christ will be born in you through the activity of 'first fruits.' There is no finer way than in the agreement that 'I am an instrument of the Christ, of God, through which all blessings can flow to this universe.'

You will find that that realization will bring the experience of Christ to you. You see, it is like the rain falls on our plants, but you know that it doesn't nourish them until it gets down inside and then begins to come up through. We put the fertilizer outside, but it really doesn't benefit until it gets inside and then comes up through. And so it is there is no, all this truth that we're taking in through the mind cannot feed us or benefit us. It's only as it gets in there and then begins to come up through and come out. And so it is that whatever it is that you loose from within yourself and give out is blessing you. Whatever you are taking in is only a preparation for that other step."
~Joel

Phil 4:13

13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

(Thank you Father. I Am included in Omnipresence. Your Fruitage flows too where it wants to Be. It always must and it always does... I am honored, humbled and grateful to be one of the infinite number of sounding boards for your music. For without the sounding board there would be no recognition of your voice.

Loving you,

Your Son)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 2, 2013

“NUMBER ELEVEN has reference to Number 1: **Spiritual consciousness as against material sense.** When you see the invisible, the Infinite Invisible, as the law, cause, activity and drop concern for form—whether as person, thing or condition—then you are attaining spiritual consciousness and losing material sense. You see how every once in awhile we have to come back to this in a different way because this is the vital part of all living. It is the attaining of spiritual consciousness, and spiritual consciousness is that realization of the Invisible as the important thing in your life, and its visible form as just a natural result of it.” ~Joel

Col 1:15-17

15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

(When Consciousness is aware of the Truth of Infinite Being, that is all it can see. It is possible to be temporarily distracted by thoughts, but the fact of Truth remains.

I am Loving who you Really are! ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 3, 2013

“**NUMBER TWELVE** carries that a step further: **Never worship effect.** That means never hate, fear or love effect. And that, of course, is a paradox too because we say, ‘oh yes, we love the members of our family,’ and we say, ‘oh yes, I love my dog.’ Ah yes, certainly we’re going to keep on that kind of love. But we are never going to love to such an extent that we cannot see the forms disappear and the new ones take its place. There is where idolatry comes in—the worship of forms. The very moment that a form becomes a necessity in our experience, we are placing our dependence, our happiness, our joy on a form instead of the Invisible, which is the cause of the form.

That is best illustrated in those experiences that some mothers have had. I had such an experience with a mother in the first year of my work who told me that she had a 21-year old son who got pneumonia. And finally the doctor told her that it looked as if there were no hope and that she mustn’t expect anything, that the doctor actually expected the boy to pass that night. He said, ‘This is the crisis.’ ‘But,’ he says, ‘Sometimes in a crisis it can go either way.’ ‘But,’ he says, ‘in this case it looks definitely as if it’s going the wrong way, so don’t be hopeful.’

And, of course, mother-like, she began desperately to pray for the life of that boy. And then she realized that that was a sin and she thought, ‘Why, Father this was your son before he was mine. This was your life before it was my life. Who am I to tell God whither and what? God, you do your will with my son. I trust my son to you. He was yours before he was mine, take him.’ And before morning, that boy was completely healed. He not only passed through the crisis but he also had his complete healing.

Do you see what I mean by form, by trying to grasp a certain form and hold onto it instead of releasing every form into God? We won’t lose anything by it. The Master promises us that if we are willing to lose our lives, that we will gain life eternal. And that only means that if we will stop trying to grasp our lives as if we could hold on to them or demonstrate them, or have them or lose them and realize that all life is God’s Grace, then we will find our life eternal. We will not lose anything. No one can be righteous and beg bread.

No one can ever give their lives or their family's life to God and then lose them.

In the same way with body – we must not try to hold on to forms of body. Why? Well, we've already learned in previous work in this series that we are not body. Body is an instrument of our locomotion at this particular moment. This is, the body is an instrument of activity for us. But we are not body. We are not fingers or hands, or legs or hearts, or brains. We are spiritual entity, and we have a body given to us of God, eternal in the heavens. And then, instead of trying to hold on to this, we hold onto the truth of our own identity and the body maintains, is maintained, harmoniously.

In the same way money is an instrument for our use. To hate it, to love it, to fear it is nonsense. All human relationships are given to us for our use. It makes no difference whether they're relationships with parents, with husband, wife, children. They are all given to us for our activity in this phase of existence, and we are to understand them as such, love them as such, treat them as such, but remember that 'our life is hid with Christ in God' – not with some outer form." ~Joel

Matt 6:24,25

24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon [effect].

25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Prov 3:5

5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

(Worshiping effect is taking thought...desire... Will reasoning find Truth? Will research? Will classes? Will your teacher or practitioner find it for you?

Are you made up of arms and legs with insides and outsides? Or are you Consciousness? Does Consciousness have to take thought? In whom do you put your trust? You see, that is all foolishness with God. Let God be God without your help... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 4, 2013

“THIRTEEN: Prayer or treatment is a recognition of IS – never an attempt to use, twist, change or manipulate God. Oh well, I think if we could learn Number 13, we could leave all the rest of them out. Probably we should have started with 13 and then gone home. Because as quickly as we can come to a place in consciousness where we understand that prayer or treatment is never going to manipulate God or make God do something that it isn't already doing, we are already nine-tenths home.”
~Joel

Rom 13:1 For,2 (to :)

1 ...For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God:

Eccl 8:8 (to ;)

8 There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit;

(And so it is, we live in the first chapter if Genesis. And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was Good. Be still and know that I Am... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 5, 2013

“FOURTEEN: I am sure that this someday will be a book, **The Activities of the Soul: prayer, ordination, authorization, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension.** Well, we are already beginning to see that meditation, communion, prayer are not mental activities. They have nothing to do with our mind, that the mental activities are only the preparation for these. In other words, if we sit and contemplate a passage of scripture, that isn't our prayer. That is our preparation for prayer. Or, if we're in meditation and we contemplate God and the things of God, that is not meditation. That is preparation for meditation. And so communion – if we start talking to God, that is certainly not communion, but it may be a preparation for it.

But meditation, communion, prayer – these in their highest sense are activities of the Soul, and they take place within us and we become aware of them. In other words, it is God who meditates. It is God who communes with us, and it is God who prays. Scripture says we do not know how to pray. We let the Spirit, God, 'bear witness or make intercession with our spirit.' 'We know not how to pray or what to pray for. We know not how to go out or how to come in.'" ~Joel

I Cor 2:16

16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

(Is your Soul in your Body? Can you see it? Can you find it? Or, is it Divine Consciousness, Divine Mind, Awareness, Christ Consciousness, the Mind of Christ - - or Righteousness Judgment [an activity of discernment]? It is Soul that prays for You. It is Soul that animates you [Itself] !

Thank you Father - for the Awareness that My Kingdom is not of this world...So, I will not be distracted by the things of this world, so I won't try and change it. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 6, 2013

“Now you may take that literally that you do not know what to pray for. You have no idea of what your good tomorrow may be—no idea. It may have no relationship to today at all and that is one of the reasons too that we have discords, that we try to continue our life today like it was yesterday forgetting that we’re not playing with rattles, but somehow or other we seemed willing to outgrow rattles. I don’t think we really did. I think they were forcibly taken away from us some time or other and probably we were given dolls or toy trains. And I know right well that Christmas, Santa Claus, rather, had to be taken away from me forcibly. I was just not going to give it up and I wasn’t going to give up hanging up my stocking, and I refused. And so ultimately my mother just had to take it in hand and say, ‘you’re just not going to be a baby anymore.’”

So it is we have to outgrow states and stages of consciousness, but sometimes they're forcibly demonstrated for us whereas we should be willing to outgrow childhood and come into our adulthood, and outgrow our young maturity into our more mature years.

Oh no, everybody it seems—more especially the male—wants to hang on to their middle maturity. Oh yes, they don’t want to lose that for a minute – not realizing that the later maturity has blessings that the younger maturity never could know. No use telling that to younger maturity though because they can’t visualize that. But it’s true that we must outgrow or be willing to let God outgrow our infancy and our youth and our childhood, and begin to show us the more maturer spiritual joys and ways of living.

Now, it is the same way that in prayer it’s very difficult to give up the habit of praying. But eventually you have to give it up or else the day will come when you’ll be so desperate that you will say, ‘Father, I don’t know how to pray. You’ll have to take over.’ You might as well do it before that day of desperation and learn how to let God pray in you.” ~Joel

Rom 14:11 (to 4th ,)

11 For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,

(To surrender one's self is not to be weak. It is to recognize the Truth of Omnipresence and LET it fill You. To be One is to Be All. Seek ye first [and only] the Kingdom and let God direct your prayer, your consciousness and your activity. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 7, 2013

“The way is very simple. It isn’t easy, simple of attainment; it’s difficult to attain, but the way itself is simple. It is just to agree that you have no desires:

‘I don’t know what I want. I don’t know what I need. I don’t know anything about today or tomorrow. I’m perfectly satisfied to sit here, Father, and wait for You to show Your hand. Reveal Thyself. Thy will be done, not mine.’

And so as you sit there with no desire because you have no knowledge of what is to be for you today or tomorrow, you develop the ability to attain a state of receptivity in which then God prays, God meditates. God communes in you.” ~Joel

John 5:30,31

30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

31 If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.

I Sam 3:9 Speak (to .)

9 ... Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth.

(Thank you Father, I love you... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 8, 2013

“And that, of course, brings us to crucifixion, no, to ordination and authorization. We have learned in our work that it is an impossibility for man to ordain us. It is possible for somebody to give you a diploma as a minister, or even for the state to give you a legal license to be a minister, but that’s not ordination. An ordination comes from within.

You’ll find an ordination that actually happened, and you can watch it happen if you like, in the book, Metaphysical Notes. Because not only on the night of my ordination did I receive that, but I also received instruction to write it down and it was dictated to me, and it is exactly in the book, Metaphysical Notes as I received it first in ordination, second, as it was repeated to me to be written down, third, as I delivered it to that class that night. Now that ordination wouldn’t ordain you, but you can see in it what an ordination is when it comes from God and how it speaks in a language that humans do not even understand.

Now then each one just as they learn to let God pray in them, meditate in them, commune in them, then eventually God ordains. When God ordains, then you are a minister and you take up whatever form of ministry is given to you with or without a legal license. The same is true of authorization.

You will see eventually that it would be a foolish thing for me to authorize anybody to heal or teach The Infinite Way because I can’t make them a healer or a teacher, only God can do that. And for me to give them the title of healer or teacher would be fooling them and the public, and so I do not give anybody the title of healer or teacher or practitioner or teacher in The Infinite Way. But I do not ban or bar anyone from healing and teaching the moment they are authorized and ordained within. And I can assure you that some have started it before they were authorized and ordained, and they’re not doing it any more. Others will do it again who are not authorized or ordained from within, and I can assure you they’ll stop too for the simple reason that no one will ever come to anyone’s doorstep unless God draws them. Now.” ~Joel

Rom 13:1

1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

I John 3:2

2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

(We are ordained and authorized the moment we see our true Identity and realize the errors of this world are illusion. And so, the activity of standing on Holy ground and gently raising consciousness around us becomes as important as breathing...

There is no rank or titles to be taken or given in the Infinite Way because doing so would be recognition of "self", wouldn't it? ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 9, 2013

“**FIFTEEN**, I see, is repetition. To him that hath. ‘**To him that hath shall be given.**’ And that goes back to ‘what have you in the house?’ always starting from the basis that you already have, and letting it flow. But evidently it was to make use of that scriptural passage: ‘to him that hath shall be given, from him that hath not will be taken even the little that he hath.’ And, of course, that is a law. The very moment you begin to realize that your oneness with God gives you the fullness of the Godhead bodily, makes you heir of God, ‘joint heir with Christ in God,’ then it can begin to flow out from you. But the moment you declare, ‘I have not,’ from that moment you begin to have less than you had before. “ ~Joel

Rom 8:13

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

(To have is to be included in the awareness of Omnipresence. To have not is to be unaware of our Birthright.

Father, I know that if I am distracted from the Truth, I am nothing - but I am so grateful for the realization that when I experience Your Presence, I Am. Thank you. Your servant, ~al.within.)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 10, 2013

SIXTEEN is another repetition. **Prayer does not influence God.** We have been over that.

Matt 6:31,32

31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles [unillumined] seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

(What can you say to influence Omniscience?)

SEVENTEEN is repetition: **Demonstration of good is the result of realization.**

Matt 6:33

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

(You are already included in God's Kingdom. The purpose of this work is to KNOW that...)

EIGHTEEN: A scriptural passage: '**Judge not.**' Now this is, this is really important to us. You have heard it said, 'judge not,' by which has been meant, as a rule, that you are not to judge evil of anyone. But this means also judge not good. Be as careful not to call anyone or anything good, as you would be not to call them evil. Do not know anyone or anything as evil, but do not know anyone or anything as good. Then you won't make the

mistake that is so often made in metaphysics of seeing a sick cat or a sick dog and hearing someone say, 'oh, it's a spiritual idea.' Or seeing some form of horrible sin or deform, deformation, and the same way saying, 'oh, it's a spiritual idea.' Don't do that. Don't do that.

Do not ascribe qualities of evil or of good to anyone or to anything. '*Judge not*' means *do not declare anyone good or anyone evil. Do not declare anything good or anything evil.* And why not? Only God is. Only God is; only God is good. 'Why callest thou me good? There is but one good, the Father in heaven.' So don't call me good. Don't call me evil. Don't call anything good. Don't call anything evil.

Judge not. Stop judgment. Only God is good. Know that truth." ~Joel

Isa 2:22 (to :)

22 Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils:

(The nature of man is to label, judge and educate himself to the laws of this world. Man loves to eat from the tree of man's knowledge of good and evil. STOP plugging into the so-called power of man. Be still and "die" today to that hypnotic illusion. How do you stop hypnosis? You can't stop its attempt, but if you know the Truth, you won't be affected by foolishness.

Surrender your ego to Righteous Judgment [Spiritual Awareness]. You have been given the Mind of Christ. Use It. God's will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 11, 2013

“**NINETEEN** brings us to what might appear as repetition, but it has still an additional meaning. **Are we seeking God or are we seeking something of God?** Now here is a basic point in the message of The Infinite Way. There is no such thing as God AND, and so the very moment that you’re looking for a home or companionship, the moment you’re looking for supply or employment, the moment that you are looking for transportation or a vacation, you are seeking amiss.

You see, oh this is so important! Once we have God, we have all there is in the world. Until we have God, we have nothing. So to look for supply, or companionship or home spiritually is an impossibility because you can’t attain them, because there are no such things...spiritually. Spiritually, there is only God.

But attaining God you attain all that God is God to; that is, all of God appearing as form. But to seek one of the forms or one of the facets of God, no, you've got to seek the allness of God. And in seeking the allness of God, then you'll have those particular facets or phases of God, or forms of God, necessary to your own unfoldment.” ~Joel

James 4:3 (to 3rd ,)

3 Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss,

(Ask for anything you want as long as it is not of this world. God is Spirit. Can we ask for the unfoldment or revelation of something that is not Spiritual? Rest now... Listen. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 12, 2013

“Now, nothing could be more important than this point: **Are we seeking a realization of God or are we thinking of reaching God in order to get over here to get something that we think we’re going to get through God?** Do you see that? Don't miss out on that. That is as important as any phase of this work.” ~Joel

Gal 6:8

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption [sense of separation]; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

(Seek only the realization of God, and in that awakening, we find that we are already included in God's Infinite Way. Sowing to the flesh is living in the finite - with a sense of being separated from God, or always looking up for help.

If I could have one desire, it would be that I don't have one.

Loving you, ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 13, 2013

“God is life. God is individual life. God is working out Its life as our life. God is working out Its life in what appears to be the form of our life. God is working out Its life as our individual consciousness. God is working out Its plan in us and through us. We can relax. We can learn to be a beholder. And if you watch, you will really see that what you think of as your life isn't that at all. It's God's life unfolding individually.” ~Joel

John 14:6,7

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

(You see? I Am is God appearing AS. Life appearing AS. Truth appearing AS. Love appearing AS. I Am with you always. ~Love)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 14, 2013

“It’s only your or my life when we take hold of it and try to manipulate it and do something with it, and make something of it. Then we’ve given birth to it, and eventually we’re going to give death to it. But, as we become beholders of God fulfilling Himself on earth, God appearing individually on earth, very much like the Roman Catholic concept of Jesus, which is entirely true: God Incarnate on earth, God Himself, very God Himself appearing on earth. The only thing the Roman Catholics didn’t go far enough and say, ‘that’s the truth about you and me’ when we attain the realization of it.

God’s life actually is the life of Jesus Christ on earth, and Jesus Christ knew it. God actually is living on this earth as you and as me, and we, in some measure, know it. The harmony that we are experiencing is the degree of our knowing that this is God's life and the degree in which we lose concern for it. *‘Take no thought for your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink,’* and in proportion as you can have no concern for your life but learn to be a beholder, you will actually find that this isn’t your life at all, and never was. This is the life of God Incarnate on earth, individualized on earth. And all that the Roman Catholic Church says about Jesus Christ is true, except one thing, and that is that he was something separate from the rest of us.

God is individual being. God appears on earth as individual you and me and as we step aside, move over just an inch, you’ll begin to see God shining through. Otherwise, you’ve given birth to yourself and, in the end, you’ll give death to yourself. You’ll create yourself, maintain yourself, sustain yourself, and in the end get rid of yourself. But in one way or another, we all must come to that place of realization that God is individual life.” ~Joel

John 10:30

30 I and my Father are one.

John 16:32 and yet

32 ...and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.

(God alone is and God alone is the identity of all being. Open your consciousness to being used as His Instrument. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 15, 2013

“I can tell you this: There is no other healing principle. If anyone in this world thinks that God has empowered one person to heal another, they’re dishonoring God. ‘God is no respecter of persons.’ It is only that one person has attained the realization of God as individual life that constitutes him a healer. But God didn’t make him a healer. He was ordained a healer by his realization of the universality of God. Do you see that?”

That’s the way it is. God is individual being. God is the life of individual being. God constitutes individual being. God is the supply of every individual being. God is the home, and the health and the happiness. God is the health of His flesh.” ~Joel

Acts 10:34

34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

I Cor 3:18,19 (to .)

18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

John 14:6,7

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

(Today's work is entitled:

“As”

As Love is expressed - God Is,

as Individual Being is seen - God Is.

As Spirit fulfills - God Is,

as Truth is known - God Is.

As Soul is touched - God Is,

as Life is experienced - God Is.

As the Word is heard - God Is,

as God is realized - I Am.

~al.within)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 16, 2013

TWENTY ONE (*sic - there was no "twenty"*) was just a writing out of something that I gave you in one of the previous ones: **the principle of giving of first fruits, giving of Truth, giving of tithes, giving of love,** and this, of course, you must remember is the 'bread on the water.' It is only what you give out that can come back to you. There is nothing out in the world that has any way of coming to you except what you place out in the world to come back to you. I mean there is no question about that principle that life is a completeness within us, and as we permit it to flow out, it flows back.

We had that in our Series of Fourteen here last year down at the hotel that this very principle that 'the bread on the water that comes to us is the bread that we placed there,' and heaven help us if we try to draw in somebody else's loaf of bread out there! We will find in some way our fingers will be burned. We have only a right to the 'bread of life' that we place on the waters of life because God has planted in us the completeness of Its own being, and that is for us." ~Joel

Eccl 11:1

1 Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.

(Love is Infinitely expressed, waiting unconditionally to be received. It is patiently given like a gentle summer rain that opens the lilies in the fields and grows the grass that feeds the sheep. You can't have the flower [God's perfect expression of art] or the grass [our daily supply] without them first receiving the gift of rain.

Pour out and see... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 17, 2013

“TWENTY-TWO is seeking God without a purpose. That, of course, is the extreme of spiritual realization: The very moment that an individual comes to the place in consciousness where their whole heart and soul yearns for God. But not for any harmony that’s going to come, and not for any good that’s going to come, not for any peace that’s going to come, not for any healing that’s going to come. When a person achieves a state of consciousness in which they’d say:

‘God, what difference would it make to me if I had a body or didn’t have one, or if it were healthy or not healthy? I’m not seeking anything but God. Let me live, and move and have my being in God, of God, with God, and I can take all the rest that may be.’

When consciousness rises to that place of devotion to where God is God to us only for God’s sake, that is when we have attained The Infinite Way of life because in that way of life there is no limitation whatsoever.

Of course, that brings us to ‘this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.’ Prayer must be without thought or desire. The prayer of silence must be practiced. I have given the correct letter of truth, but there must follow the prayer of silence. That is a silencing from all desire, all hope, all expectancy, the complete prayer of God- realization for God.” ~Joel

Matt 6:25

25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

*(I surrender Father... I give my life into your Hands. I wait in Silence... ...
... Fill me with your Love... Let it overflow to wherever it wants to Be. I
rest back now, with the full assurance that Thy will will be done. ~al.within)*

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 18, 2013

“Certainly that would bring us to this—that there is no connecting of Spirit to the human scene. Now watch this – you see this is where the world is godless. This is what makes of all religious teaching just pure atheism—the fact that they expect God to be a God in mortality. If you actually had a sick body and you expected God to come there and heal it, it certainly would be because you believed God had the power to heal your sick body but wasn’t doing it, and you’re waiting for it to happen today or tomorrow.

Why should you think that God will heal you today or tomorrow if God left you unhealed this morning? Or, on the other hand, if you believed that there were boys at the front engaged in battle and God was saving one of them while letting another one be killed or made insane or wounded, what kind of a God would that be? What kind of a God would you be having? Now, is there no hope for anyone on the battlefield to experience God? Certainly there is—the moment they reach in consciousness for God, they’ll have God. That’s the answer.

Don’t expect God to come to mortality. Give up mortality by opening your consciousness and you’ll be lifted out of mortality into God or spirituality. Don’t try to have God fixing up your humanhood in one way while you, yourself, are trying to violate it in another way. We can’t eat those big Thanksgiving dinners and then take a little bicarbonate afterward and get relief. Sure we can on the human plane, but on the spiritual plane you don’t think for a minute we’re going to gormandize ourselves materially and then have a spiritual God act as a sort of a bicarbonate of soda and say, ‘oh, I’ll give you relief. Sure I’ll take care of you.’ ‘Do that Father because tomorrow I want to go out on another binge.’ (*Laughter.*) ~Joel

I Cor 2:14

14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

(So, what is Spiritual discernment?

Reaching into God and feeling the Word.

Be still. Let the distractions of this world fade away... Reach within... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 19, 2013

“No, let us not believe for a minute that you bring a spiritual God to a material concept of life. What you do is lift yourself above the material concept of life into God. And so if you are going to heal someone don't ask God to come down to mortality, but lift your so-called patient up out of mortality into spirituality by understanding God as individual being. Do you see that?

But then supposing you heal them. Then you've got to say to them the same as Master did: 'Go, and sin no more lest a worse thing come upon you.' I wonder what you think happens to these people who come for spiritual healings and get them and then go back to their vomit again? I wonder if you don't think that a worse thing comes upon them. You can't avoid it.

These teachings that the Master gave us are spiritual truth. If you once are lifted above mortality into spirituality, go and sin no more. Don't go back to that material state of consciousness because a worse thing can come upon you. And that is what happens to many of our people where they do have wonderful healings through our state of consciousness, and then disregarding it go right back to their human way of life tomorrow as if there were no responsibility on them at all. Oh no, they have received the Grace of God, but there's no responsibility on them except to go out and sin some more, and, of course, no worse thing should come upon them because they've had a spiritual healing.” ~Joel

John 18:36

36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

(My Kingdom is beyond words and thoughts, so what are words and thoughts - or actions going to do? ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 20, 2013

“Now, (*can I?*) all of our thinking deals with concepts. It doesn't deal with reality. Reality is given us of God, and if you wish more quickly to leave the discords and inharmonies of human existence, begin to do less thinking because all you're thinking about are concepts—not realities. I don't mean that when you're thinking God and spiritual things. I mean when you're thinking your ordinary, everyday existence, you're thinking principally of concepts, and you are not rising into your spiritual life.

So, by degrees, when you're tempted to think of things and persons, try to train yourself, 'what good is that after I've done all that thinking about it? It still is only a human or mortal concept. So let me give that time to pondering some idea of God or Truth.' Do you see what I mean? I don't mean that you shouldn't think about your home, your business, your family, but I mean that think of what you think about them. The more you think of them in their spiritual identity, the more you're following this. The more you continue to think of them as they appear to be on earth, the more you are just thinking and dreaming about mortality, human experiences.” ~Joel

Luke 12:25,26

25 And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

26 If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

Luke 12:29-31

29 And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, [concepts] neither be ye of doubtful mind.

30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

31 But rather seek ye the kingdom of God [Spiritual Identity]; and all these things shall be added unto you. [Supply, Grace, Gratitude, Love, Abundance]

(So...? We seek our Spiritual Identity - and when found [Realized] it is promised that we will be included in All-ness. Oneness. Omnipresence.

It sounds like it might just be worth a little surrendering, and waiting, and watching, and listening... :-) Onward & upward, my friends, ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 21, 2013

“Now, to know, to see, to behold the Reality, have no thought or concept or idea, but let the Real become evident by your state of receptivity to It. No matter who it is out here or what it is out here instead of doing a lot of thinking about them, turn within and say, ‘Father, reveal the truth about them or about that circumstance or that condition,’ and then you will see the difference.

Well I guess that ought to be about it. Is it?” ~Joel

I Sam 3:1-10

1 And the child Samuel ministered unto the Lord before Eli. And the word of the Lord was precious in those days; there was no open vision.

2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was laid down in his place, and his eyes began to wax dim, that he could not see;

3 And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was, and Samuel was laid down to sleep;

4 That the Lord called Samuel: and he answered, Here am I.

5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.

6 And the Lord called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.

7 Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, neither was the word of the Lord yet revealed unto him.

8 And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the Lord had called the child.

9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 And the Lord came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

(In every circumstance, we are but the servant and must always recognize the Source of All Being as the real One doing the work. If we do that - that does just about do it, doesn't it. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 22, 2013

“Now listen to this one—’**for by strength shall no man prevail.**’ That’s like our ‘not by might, nor by power but by my Spirit’. We are tempted, at all times in the material scene, to think that our human acts or physical acts accomplish things for us, and, metaphysically, we are led to believe that by our mental acts or mental thoughts that we are to accomplish something, but neither is true. Both the mind and the body should be instruments for the Soul. So that if you learn that ‘for by strength no man shall prevail,’ that ‘we do not live by bread alone,’ by effects, even thoughts, we will develop this inner spiritual capacity. And the Soul then will inform us and enlighten us, and our minds and our bodies will be instruments for the Soul to use. Do you see what I mean?

For instance, I couldn’t have made up all this that’s in this book, could I? I couldn’t have thought it all out with the mind. Do you see what I mean? That had to come, and then the mind received it, and the hand wrote it down. All of this that I have read to you today and built around what I have read had to come through my mind and body as instruments of the Soul. This is Truth.” ~Joel

Zech 4:6 saying, Not

6 ... Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.

(Likewise, these daily messages come forth in exactly the way they need to so that we can all make use of them. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 23, 2013

“This isn’t anything that a man makes up in his head. This isn’t anything a man or a woman can invent. This is spiritual wisdom that emanates from the Soul. But by developing that listening ear, that ability always to let the Father use us, the mind receives it and the hand can write it down. And so you will ultimately see that your mind and your body is an instrument of the Soul. That’s why it will never wear out. It only wears out if we use it—not if we let the Soul function through it.” ~Joel

Matt 22:37

37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

(This Loving is a full surrender to God’s will.

Love does not talk, or think, or request.

It Loves. It Loves without expectation.

It listens, watches and witnesses God’s Omnipresence [Itself]... [love] as long as it takes. Love is forever. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 24, 2013

“It is – I wish sometimes I could show you this by illustration. I don't know whether I can anymore, but we think of strength in the arm or in the muscles. And when we want to use strength, we tighten up in that manner, and, of course, by doing that we can attain a certain amount of physical strength. Actually, I can attain five times, ten times more physical strength in my arm by letting my hand dangle loose because there is a way of connecting up this hand with the Soul-force. And the strength that will be in here will be the strength of ten men, but it will flow through. There'll be no tightening; there'll be no pressure. It will just flow through, and I don't know that you could do it now, yes, you can. You will find that without any tensing of my muscles that my muscles get harder than I could ever tense them.

That's the activity of the Spirit in there when I am not personally using any strength or power. And so it is you will find that you are wearing out the mind and the body.

You know, there was a time when they thought that writers all had to become insane. That's what they said Ralph Waldo Emerson died of softening of the brain because he used his brain so much during his lifetime. Walt Whitman, the same way, was paralyzed. His brain became deficient because he used his mind so much. A lot of nonsense – they were both ignorant of the fact that they could have connected up their mind to their Soul. And then instead of using up the mind, or the brain or the body, the Soul would just function through and it would never wear out. Now.

‘For by strength shall no man prevail.’ We do not ‘live by bread alone but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.’ And so it is that you become receptive and responsive, and you let your mind and your body be used by God. Now some people in the past have said to me that when we practice such a thing as not taking thought, that we're blanking the mind and becoming stupid.” ~Joel

I Sam 2:9 for

9 ...;for by strength shall no man prevail.

(Meditation is not about sitting and waiting... We can sit and wait for 40 years and all we have done is sit and wait...

Surrender deeply.

Give it all to God - no matter what... All of it. Nothing left to think or act... No self. No amount of supply or even study can get you into the Kingdom... ...

Thy will be done Father, not mine, Thy will...

Father, you can even have my life. Do with me as You will. I can do nothing without your direction... ...

And so, we come to the end of what you know - and don't know - about God. Now wait in stillness for a little while with an attitude of expectation.
~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 25, 2013

“No, when you learn to live without taking thought you will be more active in thought than you’ve ever been in your life. But it will not be a thought that you are creating or manufacturing. It will be a thought that flows through from the Soul, like in prayer. In prayer, you don’t have to think thoughts. In prayer, you don’t have to make statements. ***Ultimately, in prayer you’ll sit silent and let the Soul do its praying. And then you’ll know that prayer is a faculty of the Soul, an activity of the Soul faculty. It has nothing to do with man. Soul prays.***” ~Joel

Rom 12:2

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed [lifted up] by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

I Cor 2:16

16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

(Lay down your banners [perceived human power] and pick up the assurance of Christ Consciousness [the Light that has been at your feet].
~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 26, 2013

“Now, spiritual healing is not the overcoming of physical, mental or financial discords, but is the demonstration of the presence of the Grace of God. Now, of course, that is a repetition, except that in presenting it in this way, it gives me the opportunity to hook it up to the healing work. Let me see.

Every one of you has at sometime or other been called upon to heal someone of something, for help. And if you go back in memory, you probably can remember saying, ‘oh I can’t take care of a cancer case or a consumption case. That’s beyond my understanding.’ Or, ‘oh I don’t know enough to take care of this kind of a case.’ ‘Oh it’s just a simple headache? Oh, yes, I’ll give you some help. Oh, just indigestion? I’ll give you some help.’

Well now you see the principle of this work is that we are not engaged in physical, mental or financial healing work. We have nothing to do with physical healing, mental healing, moral healing or financial healing. Our work has to do with the realization of God.” ~Joel

Col 3:1,2

1 If ye then be risen with Christ [Sons of God], seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2 Set your affection [Trust] on things above, not on things on the earth.

(Feeling inadequate is not really a bad thing. It is actually the start of the process of surrendering. It’s time to let ego and judgment go once and for all and trust God. So why do we tend to trust God with the simple stuff and

hesitate to trust God with the big stuff? Not trusting God is kinda silly huh?
~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 27, 2013

“Now, it becomes a point of transition that you must make in your own consciousness to where, when you’re called on for help, you don’t think of it as removing a fever, or reducing a lump or setting a bone, or producing elimination or digestion or assimilation; to where you never think of the call that has come to you as a physical, mental, moral or financial call; where you look upon it only as a call to attain a conscious realization of God. Do you see that?” ~Joel

Prov 3:6

6 In all thy ways acknowledge him [Love], and he shall direct thy paths.

(A call is Love Itself appearing. Dear friends, cast thy bread upon the waters and it shall return as Love. Each and every experience is an opportunity to acknowledge God’s activity of Love. Thank you Father. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 28, 2013

“It should make no more difference to you whether a person writes that they’re unemployed or calls up and says they have a cancer or as to whether they merely said, ‘I lost a quarter. Will you do some work for me?’ You say ‘yes’ because you don’t care whether they find the quarter or not. Do you see that?”

Our metaphysical workers actually act as though they believe that they were healers of mind and body and purse, as if they were actually called on to reduce fevers or remove lumps. We’re, we’re not in that business at all. That’s *materia medica*. We have no relationship to that. Our work is abiding in the consciousness of God, and letting It dispel any kind of an illusion—very often even good ones. Do you see that? Now that is a matter of training. Just like training to let God pray in you so do you have to train yourself to see that it makes no difference what the nature of the claim is that’s presented to you.” ~Joel

John 15:4

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

Rom 8:11

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead [God] shall also quicken your [all] mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

(You see? If we are abiding in the Source of all Being - then what else can possibly have effect? ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 29, 2013

“You’re not a doctor. You’re not going to perform a physical miracle. You’re not that at all. You are the Christ. You are the Son of God that realizes the spiritual nature of God and God’s creation as against all these other appearances. But an appearance of a headache is just as much material sense as the appearance of cancer or consumption.

You have nothing to do with the appearances. You have to do with the realization of God and the spiritual nature of this universe. Oh this is so important when you come down to the actual!” ~Joel

II Cor 3:15-17 (to .)

15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read [looked at, thought about, reasoned], the veil is upon their heart.

16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord [Spiritual Consciousness], the veil shall be taken away.

17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

(The I that I Am is not of this world. I Am manifest AS the Spiritual Consciousness of Being - individually expressed... The All-Knowing Christ that appears as Love, Light, Peace and Liberty. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - APRIL 30, 2013

“The evil appearance is the decoy tempting you to treat it, overcome it, remove it or destroy it; whereas, thought must instantly be removed from the appearance and turn within until freedom is realized as an inner peace, an inner joy, or an inner release. Is that clear?

Well, we'll just stay on that until tomorrow.

Thank you” ~Joel

John 7:24

24 Judge not according to the appearance [impressions], but judge righteous judgment.

Luke 17:21

21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

(As humans, it is natural to react to appearances and either attempt to do something about it or metaphysically declare ourselves out of it. We naturally want to change the appearance into something good, right? So, we are in fact, erroneously giving it a power, and we are acting in opposition to it.

Instead look right at it - and smile a little “knowing smile” and acknowledge to yourself that you will not be tempted to do something about it. See the appearance as a temptation and not a reality to correct. God is too pure to behold iniquity and there can be no opposite of God that needs fixing. There is no power other than God, period.

I have given this several times before: It is like watching a good magician perform his craft. The first time we see the trick we are easily fooled. Actually, we could watch the trick performed again and again for a lifetime and never see the truth behind it. But is the magician performing “real magic” or has he mastered the art of distraction, sleight of hand or illusion? Now, suppose he takes us aside and teaches us the trick. We can now watch him perform and smile a little knowing smile, because we are no longer fooled.

Go within and let God take you aside and teach you the Truth. Where the Truth is realized, there is Liberty, Joy and Peace. And all that is left is a smile. :-) ~Al)