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“INNER REALIZATION”

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THE DAILY LESSON - February 1, 2013

“Good morning. (Class responds) For nearly two months we have been coming step by step to the point where we can acknowledge that the discords and the inharmonies of human existence can be met and overcome by a spiritual power. That is nothing more nor less than repeating spiritual wisdom that has been known through all ages. There has never been a time in recorded history where there haven’t been individuals and their particular students or disciples who have not discovered that there is a spiritual power which, when introduced into human affairs, eliminates the discords, the inharmonies, overcomes the so-called problems of human existence.
As many times as this discovery has been made, the practice of it has been lost. And at the present time, in spite of the fact that for three-quarters of a century this understanding of spiritual power has been renewed in the world, it is disappearing again from amongst those who originally re-introduced it in our time. And it is re-appearing in other places whether or not to be permanently found this time remains to be seen.

Now, you may naturally ask why when something is discovered that enables people to live more harmoniously, more peacefully, more joyously, more healthfully, and certainly in better relationships with each other, why is it lost or how is it possible for it to be lost? And the answer is this: That the discoverer or re-discoverer of this spiritual power is enabled to reveal it to those immediately around him or her. Let us say, the immediate disciples or the immediate students, and in some cases even their students, and it is after that, that the power disappears off the earth.” ~Joel

Matt 26:41
41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

I Cor 15:58 (to 5th ,)
58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord,

(Flesh [the mind of man] gets worn down by the peers and popular thoughts of this world. Be steadfast in your heart [Consciousness]. Can we be truly lost while God exists? Just look up! ~AI)
“By the time the second generation of students comes along, the teaching becomes a teaching of the mind, and the students believe that by knowing these truths that are in books, or the teachings they are imparting, that that constitutes the spiritual power and they are looking for an effect. They are looking for harmony, or supply or health because of statements of truth that they read or hear. And it is on that premise that the power is lost.

You see, the Bible, which is itself a storehouse of spiritual power, becomes nothing more than a beautiful book of literature with some wonderful promises that cannot at this time be fulfilled and so it is taught that they will be fulfilled in another world or another incarnation, or another phase of existence. And so that book, which should be the fountainhead of spiritual wisdom and spiritual power, becomes a bestseller and everybody owns a copy – everybody in the world – and some people can even recite some of the beautiful verses in it, and that ends it.

And the same is true of all scripture because scripture, taken into the mind, read, memorized, repeated, is not spiritual power. Scripture has to be spiritually understood, spiritually discerned before it can result in the power that brings peace on earth, ‘the peace that passeth understanding,’ in individual experience.” ~Joel

II Cor 3:3-6
3  Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.
4  And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward:
5  Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God;
6  Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.

Phil 4:7
7  And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

(The first paragraph today is exactly why Joel never wants the activities of The Infinite Way to be organized in any way. For if it is, it will not be an
activity of Spirit [the letter that killeth] and it will decline too. The Word of God cannot be owned or copyrighted or used for gain. It has no ego to stroke and no spreadsheets to balance. The Word is Spirit Itself - It’s activity. It is Love. Love cannot be used, only given or expressed.

So, when I look at Scripture, and take it within, any Spiritual discernment comes at a time when I think not. It comes as a spark of light jumping right out from within the words… It is recognized as an activity of Spirit loving, feeding the very moment. Christ described it as, “I have meat ye know not of.” That Realization was his supply. It can’t be described, at least not very well by me, but it can be felt. ~Al)
“Now most of you have witnessed in this age in the same thing of people repeating some of the most wonderful revelations ever given – whether in the past or in the present – repeating them as if the repetition of them were going to perform some kind of a miracle on earth. It makes no difference whether they repeat ‘The Lord's Prayer’ or whether they repeat some of the many interpretations of ‘The Lord's Prayer,’ or the ‘Sermon on the Mount.’ It makes no difference whether they repeat scriptural passages, scientific statements, affirmations. All of this remains as an activity of the human mind, and the activity of the human mind is not spiritual power.

Now if a student goes out with a book of truth which they either read or which they have memorized and repeats that to other students with any idea that they are imparting truth, or healing, or help they are making a mistake. They are perpetuating the very error that will eventually take the teaching off the earth again. No one can impart truth through the mind. You have heard some say, ‘oh, I can’t heal, but I can teach beautifully,’ and you know that isn’t true; that isn’t true.” ~Joel

Matt 6:5-7
5 And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.
6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.
7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

(Father, I, of mine own self can do nothing. I wait and watch for Thy Will to be done and not mine…for You are the only power. And so, I wait… … … … ~al.within)
“Unfortunately, there are many so-called teachers who are not healing but neither are they teaching because teaching has nothing to do with the letter of truth. It has to do with the impartation of the actual consciousness of truth. So it is with the practitioner. There are many practitioners who know the words in the books. Some of them even know the correct words, can give a treatment intelligently, correctly, so far as the letter is concerned, and then wonder that nothing happens, or so little.

I think it is sometimes unfortunate for the metaphysical world that probably 50 percent of all errors clear themselves up, and so these people who have not achieved a spiritual discernment are led to believe that they have at least 50 percent healings, whereas they have none. It is merely nature operating on the physical level. Doctors are more honest. They acknowledge that at least 50 percent of the people who come to them are healed with nothing being done for them – either because there was nothing of a serious nature wrong or because nature had a way of healing itself in those cases.” ~Joel

John 14:5-12
5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?
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.
8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.
9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?
10 Believeth thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.
11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.
12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.
Isn’t it wonderful that Thomas & Philip, who had been with Jesus for years, asked the questions? The Master explains that there is nothing to be gained in this world - the Father that dwelleth within doeth the works in Spirit. And he also said that the Way is Infinite and it does not stay or stop with one individual or teacher. The Teaching and Healing Christ has no limit and can be as equally Realized today and tomorrow as it was 2000 years ago. ~Al)
THE DAILY LESSON - February 5, 2013

“Do not be deceived by the fact that healings take place even among those who haven’t a spiritual awareness because that isn’t spiritual healing taking place. That isn’t a miracle of God nor is it the Grace of the Christ. That is merely a normal, natural healing process of the body and amounts to nothing more than physical healing. And you can know that by its fruit, too, because those healed do not respond spiritually at the time of that healing; whereas those who do receive an actual spiritual healing respond also, inwardly, in some spiritual way to this word.

In other words, it brings about not merely a change of a physical condition. It brings about a change of character or a change of nature, a change of disposition. It brings some change in an individual. By that you may know that it is spiritual healing – or that a spiritual healing has taken place.”
~Joel

I Cor 15:52,53
52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

(When Jesus told the woman that was found in adultery, to “go and sin no more”, he was telling her to not go back to the mistaken idea that she was separate or apart from God. The only sin there ever is is in the distraction [corruption - or error] that sees with human sense. You have to know that her life was changed forever…

I am convinced we have all had a spark [sounding trumpet] of Spirit enter our Consciousness or we wouldn’t have found [or been led to] this “two or three” that are gathered together in His name. The Spirit moved upon the face of the waters and nudged us in some way. This Spirit, when it is felt, is Life eternal - talk about a shocking change of Consciousness. I don’t ever want to go back to limited sense, do you? Loving you, ~Al)
“Now at this point of our work I would like to say to you that be not concerned when you are confronted with an appearance of error. It may be physical, mental, moral, financial, commercial, marital, corporate, union, labor. It can be any form of discord or inharmony. Do not be too concerned whether or not you know the specific truth about it because, so far as that situation is concerned, it isn’t going to help either you or the situation whether or not you know the specific truth or any truth.

What does concern you is are you at a point of development where you can get still inside and wait for that still small voice – if you want to call it that; ‘spiritual impulse,’ if you want to call it that, ‘the Christ’ if you wish to call it that? By whatever name you know It, at least learn to be patient and still inside until It announces Itself, until It makes Itself clear within you.” ~Joel

Ps 25:5
5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

(What makes us willing to wait and wait - as long as it takes? For me it was a gradual building of confidence, over many years, that increased in direct proportion to the small Assurances received. They eventually increased until there was an earth melting Experience that Opened an incredible feeling of inclusion. I would never be the same. There is no going back. Now, the feeling of Assurance is as important as breathing. Be still and wait upon the Lord and breath in the Breath of Life that is beyond understanding… ~Al)
“In some way, in some way, when you achieve It, you know it. In some way the ‘click’ comes, the feeling of a Presence, a warmth, a dropping away of burdens inwardly, a weight falling off the shoulder, a sense of release, a sense of peace, a statement of scripture or truth. In some way this transcendental presence, which is far beyond your understanding or mine, announces Itself, lets it be known that It is there and that It is on the field, and then you may be assured of spiritual healing. And then you may be assured that the affair, whatever its name or nature, will turn out harmoniously – why? Because now there is an actual spiritual power operating in human consciousness.” ~Joel

John 15:4,5
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.
5   I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

(My friends, the answer is always the same... God IS. God is infinitely Present. I am included in the Presence. All that is, is included in that Presence. Therefore God is within Me... and You.

God is not in thought - God is in Himself.

Loving you, Loving Himself... ~Al)
“Now this spiritual power does not operate through taking thought. It doesn’t operate through speech. It doesn’t operate through reading or hearing. But reading spiritual literature, hearing the spiritual word will certainly prepare you inwardly for that moment of silence in which the spiritual power can manifest. That is the function of spiritual teaching. That is of spiritual reading, or a spiritual class or any other form – let us say intellectual form of impartation – the purpose of it is merely to prepare the ground. It is merely to prepare your consciousness into a state of receptivity because, and this is the secret, and this is the secret of the loss in every age of this power on earth: There is a spiritual power.

It is an actual entity. It is as real – it is more real than electricity. It is more real than atomic force. It moves mountains. It raises the dead. It heals the body. It prosper business. It makes for harmonious relationships between groups of people. It is a power of love; it is a power of life in our experience. But, remember this, it is a real power, and you cannot expect much in your experience until that power is released in you.” ~Joel

Eph 3:17-19
17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;
19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

(The Word of God is the activity of Love fulfilling Itself. It is manifest like beams of light flowing from out from a lamp in all directions. It shines for the sake of shining. ~Al)
THE DAILY LESSON - February 9, 2013

“Now. In the beginning of our experience, a practitioner or teacher who has attained some measure of spiritual light can lift your consciousness and you can, in turn, lift the consciousness of others, so that for awhile you can be living their lives for them. You can be making their demonstrations – many of them. Your uplifted consciousness can be the health of another person.

Your uplifted consciousness can be the healing agency, the restoring, the reforming in the lives of those who turn to you. But this can only be a temporary relationship. As the Master has given it unto us, ‘If I go not away, the Comforter will not come to you.’ You’ll just go on living on my consciousness and then if I’m not around, you’ll be soft.’ And so the Master, the teacher of wisdom, eventually sees his students lifted up to that point of consciousness wherein they, themselves, can realize this spiritual power or else he leaves them to flounder for awhile until they get desperate enough to go deep enough within themselves to bring forth this spiritual power.” ~Joel

John 14:12
12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

John 16:7 (to 2nd ;)
7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you;

(You’ll know when… I promise. Go deep enough… … …
All My love, ~Al)
“Now. It is not a simple thing or the whole world would have it. The Master knew exactly what he was talking about when he said that ‘the way is straight and narrow, and few there be that enter.’ He knew that. He knew also that the object of spiritual power is not merely to prosper you in accord with the way in which you would like to be prospered.

In other words, it isn’t something that fulfills your desires, and there, too, is where the metaphysical world has lost much of its influence. It has really given the impression that you can use God or Spirit to further your interests, to make It operate in accord with the way you would like It to operate instead of letting the students know truthfully and frankly that the will of the Spirit is giving up ‘my will’ in order that ‘Thy will’ may be done. It is not trying to function God on our plane of consciousness. It is trying to leave our plane of consciousness so that we may function on God’s plane of consciousness.

Now, God’s plane of consciousness is not something separate and apart from your physical life or your home life or your business life. Oh no. The plane of God functions on our, in our, life at every level – in the health of the body, in the health of the business, in the health of the home, and eventually in all of the relationships – of community, national and international experience. But the error is in believing that we can say to God that we want It to function in some manner that we ourselves have outlined, instead of our turning and letting It function us in whatever way will bring the greatest degree of harmony and blessing to the greatest number.

It is very much like the statement that ‘two times two are four.’ Here you have a universal truth. Once you accept that universal truth, you have the right then to talk about peaches, pears, plums, pineapples, pennies, dollars or millions, and always two times two will be found to be four.” ~Joel

II Cor 3:17 and (to liberty)
17 ... and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

John 8:32
32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
(What liberty? What knowing? What Truth? If the answer is anything less
than absolute - it is something less than Divine Principle. What more could
we want - than to have Thy will being done, on earth as it is in heaven...
~Al)
“So it is, once you have attuned yourself to the power, the presence, the spiritual things, then you will find that that will function in your bodily home affairs, in your home affairs, in your business affairs, in all affairs. And you will not be led to expect It to function in the way of your choosing, and, of course, It will not do that.

The main point, however, that I wish you to see this morning is this: that the spiritual power is not an activity of the human mind. The spiritual power cannot be induced by thinking. Spiritual power is not brought forth by voicing a lot of truth to each other or to our family, or our friends, or our patients or our students.

Truth may be voiced in this way: as an impartation of that which is and, if it is accompanied by some measure of the consciousness Itself, it will appear in your experiences 'with signs following.' That is one thing. Or, when you have a problem, it is a legitimate function of the practitioner or teacher – or you, when you are helping someone else – to voice some truth – not to recite a book full, but to voice a statement of truth, but with this understanding: that you are not expecting that statement to be a power to do something.” ~Joel

Zech 4:6 Not
6 …Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.

(My friends, when you sit down to pray or meditate, don’t use a “technique” of prayer. Use not vain repetitions, rituals, statements, or mesmerizing meditation trances. They are all using the mind of man with intent to use, not to listen.

Remember the old saying - KISS - or keep it simple stupid? So now how about - Keep it solely Spirit. Take no thought, enter your closet and seek ye first the Kingdom of God. Let God’s will be done, whatever it is, not whatever you want. Rest quietly with the attitude of Love, acceptance and gratitude. My Peace I give you, not as the world giveth, but as the Spirit pours out. ~Al)
THE DAILY LESSON - February 12, 2013

“Ah, there is the mistake – that the students believe that when you say, ‘I have a headache,’ and then I say, ‘Oh but it isn’t real because God is the only power,’ we somehow expect that that statement is going to do something and that’s the mistake. We, we don’t make a statement of truth for that reason. If you say to me, ‘I am ill,’ and I say to you, ‘I'll help you because surely you know that the Spirit is the only real power,’ remember that I am not saying that expecting that my statement of that truth will help you. I am doing it more as a reassurance to you, as a reminder to you, so that you can get silent and go within.

Now if you can just learn that a statement of truth isn’t power, if you can just learn that one thing this morning, you will have one of the greatest secrets that will remove you from the metaphysical world and lift you up into the spiritual world.

A statement of truth isn’t power. A statement of truth isn’t going to do anything, and if you make a statement of truth and see the dead rise up, don’t believe it. Don’t believe it. Don’t believe that the statement of truth did it. The statement of truth was just a statement of your state of consciousness at that time. It was the state of consciousness that did the work. It would have done the work without any statement of truth.” ~Joel

Col 2:4-7,9
4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.
5 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.
6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:
7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.
9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

(Being One with Spirit is recognizing only Spirit. ~AI)
THE DAILY LESSON - February 13, 2013

“You will find as you understand this that, if you like, you need never voice a statement of truth nor write one because none of that has healing power. It has the power to calm the patient, and serve as a reminder to them that there is something beyond the visible and evident. But the healing power is not in the statement of truth, but whether or not you have a consciousness of truth behind that statement. If you have the consciousness of truth, then you will make your statement and the lame man will rise. If you haven’t the consciousness of truth, you can make statements from now until the next full moon and nothing will happen. Do you see what I mean?

Do not depend on statements of truth or thoughts of truth. Depend on truth itself, and truth is not something that you have any power over or that you can influence, or that you can bring to bear. Truth is something that can enter your consciousness if you are still enough. Truth is something that can work through you if you are quiet enough.” ~Joel

Matt 16:24,25
24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.
25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

(You can’t get any quieter than leaving behind the entire self [the ego] and acknowledging that only the Christ Truth exists.)

II Tim 2:13
13 If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

(So, let it go… Be still, be so still that there is not a trace of this world left. No power, no might, no thought… Only the Mind of Christ is Omnipotent. The great I that I AM. The Christ Truth that needs no explanation, it just Is. Depend on this, and with this experience, all the harmony for the work of the day shows up. Loving You, ~Al)
THE DAILY LESSON - February 14, 2013

“The one sure way to block truth, to prevent Spirit from operating, is to be continuously engaged in thoughts and speeches – even metaphysical thoughts and speeches – because they are only the avenues which help us to rise in consciousness. But then must come the periods of silence, of stillness, and more especially is this true when we are confronted with an appearance of error. In other words, if we, at this moment, were to become aware of some catastrophe about us, or some illness or accident, wisdom would say to us, ‘Stop this talking. Stop this teaching, and all sit back and just get quiet, get still, and let the Spirit come through.’

So it is in your home. Whenever you are confronted with a discord, an inharmony of any name or nature, don’t rush around trying to find some truth. Sit down quietly, and if it’s necessary at first, remind yourself that all healing is by Grace – by the Grace of God not by the grace of man. And then hold inwardly, if you like, for a few moments to some simple statement of truth: ‘Thy Grace is my sufficiency’ or ‘Thy will be done and not mine,’ and then get quiet and be receptive and wait.” ~Joel

Ps 4:4,5
4 Stand in awe [watch and witness God’s work in everything], and sin not [never think that you are separate or apart from God]: commune with your own heart [consciousness] upon your bed [in meditation] and be still. Selah [Praise Be - Gratitude - Thanksgiving].
5 Offer the sacrifices [let go of self and listen for His Voice] of righteousness [know The truth], and put your trust [follow absolutely] in the Lord.

(There you have it, dear Valentine’s - the entire message of the secret of attaining Inner Realization given by David thousands of years ago, Joel 60 years ago and Now. The Way is always the same... ~Al)
“Wait patiently because it isn’t your thought now that’s going to do any healing work. It isn’t going to be anything that you physically or mentally do. It is going to be the degree of awareness, the degree of receptivity which will enable this invisible Spirit, this transcendental Presence, to announce Itself as on the field and in charge of the situation. Then you may be assured of this that there is an inner peace which stills the storm.

And don’t make the mistake of believing that the Spirit is going to solve the problem in some way which you have in advance worked out. The Spirit doesn’t work that way. The Spirit, we are told, goes right through the body, tears it apart if necessary. ‘I am not come to bring peace but sometimes a sword.’ And the Spirit divides as well as It attracts. In other words, the Spirit acts to bring together everything for the revelation of spiritual harmony, but It doesn’t attempt to bring together that which is not, well, that which would be impossible to live together.

In other words, yes, in one of our old tapes, one of our older lessons, there was the statement that in the marriage ceremony it says, ‘let not that which God has joined together, let not anyone render that asunder.’ That is a very stupid thing to be in a marriage ceremony as if there were anybody who could render asunder that which God brought together. Do you see how impossible that would be for man? But God can render asunder that which God didn’t bring together.

And so it is when we try to bring Spirit into a situation, to have It do what we want done, do not be surprised if it doesn’t happen that way. But when we open ourselves to the spiritual activity of this Christ, of this Son of God, which is inherent in each one of us, then you may be assured of this that It will render asunder, or It will join together physically, mentally, morally, financially, commercially – whatever the situation happens to be.” ~Joel

I Cor 2:16 (to ?)
16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him?

(God is Love, and there is no gain in Love. What prayer can include personal gain? The Truth cuts through all the personal distractions and leaves nothing but God’s will. ~Al)
THE DAILY LESSON - February 16, 2013

“So that the first step in opening our self to the activity of the Spirit must be ‘cleansing the temple,’ in other words, realizing,

‘Now Father, I am not coming to this Spirit to have something done that I would like to see done. I am coming to the Spirit that the pure harmony of God may be revealed – not that my will be done but Thy will be done.’

Then, in that openness you will find that there is a realm right here on earth where heaven operates.

As you know, we are taught that heaven and earth are one, that the time must come when the kingdom of heaven is revealed on earth. Well that can be here and now at any given moment because it isn’t a world-wide experience. It’s an individual experience and there are those on earth now who are experiencing their heaven because heaven can just as well function on earth as it functions in heaven. Why?

Well the very moment we give up this idea of wanting to use God, Spirit, Truth, the moment we give up the idea of having God do our will, we begin to function and to live in God’s will, and we learn that God’s will is good. It is as universally good as two times two is four is good, and in any language, any country, anywhere, under any circumstances, no one will ever have cause to complain that the demonstration did not come out to their liking if they have opened themselves to the demonstration appearing in God’s way, God’s will, God’s time. Now watch.

We are a peculiar people. We have been taught to ‘come out and be separate,’ and the greatest evidence of our peculiarity is that we are not seeking God or spiritual power to do our will. We are surrendering our will that we may be used by God’s power, in God’s way. That’s quite a reversal, but it is a necessary thing.

‘Not my will, but Thy will be done’ is the very first step in spiritual wisdom. Oh, I realize that very often we have the fear well then maybe it won’t come out just the way that will make us happy. It will make it come out the way that will make us happy although it may not come out the way we thought would make us happy.
It isn’t any different than a child who might be asked what it wanted and would say, ‘oh a houseful of toys.’ Well it could get those toys and be made very happy, but what happens a year or two later when it has outgrown these toys? So it is with us.” ~Joel

Matt 6:10
10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

John 5:30 because,31
30 …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.

(Recognizing the Nature of God as Omnipotence and Omnipresence is really the same realization that impersonalizes ourselves, our neighbors and any other this-world distraction. I Am included in God’s Omnipresence. So, recognizing God is recognizing all the individual expressions of God as His will being done. ~Al)
“Remember that whatever it is you are praying for today is not going to make you happy a year from today because you are not going to be the same person. You are not going to be the same state of consciousness and so that which would satisfy you today will not satisfy you next year. And so it would be far better to say, ‘oh, I have no desires except spiritual harmony,’ then spiritual harmony can appear as rattles today, and dolls next year, and bicycles the next year, and a home of our own the next year.

Watch this. Watch this when you meditate. Watch this when you pray. Don’t have any desires that you wish God to fulfill. Go there, go to the center of your being wanting to function on God’s level of life, and let God raise you to that level of life. And then remember that even after it takes place, you will still be a man and woman on earth. You will still be engaged with homes and families and business – but more harmoniously, more joyously, more successfully, more peacefully.” ~Joel

39 And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.
40 And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation [temptation involves accepting this-world].
41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone’s cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,
42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me [don’t feed me any of the things of this-world…Feed me Spiritually]: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

(Jesus was clearly setting the example of praying not for worldly things, signs or answers, but to only to be raised into God Consciousness. Into Spiritual Understanding… Or Life with a capital “L”… Or, raised into the abundance, peace and harmony of Spirit. Pray for anything you want as long as it is not of this world. My Peace I give thee, not as the world giveth… ~Al)
“Now. This two months has brought us to the place where you should be ready in the face of any circumstance or condition that confronts you to stop taking thought about it, but to sit back and be receptive to God’s thought about it.

Now that is the point toward which we have been working since this work began with the Chicago Series, the Seattle Series, and now this Kailua Series. Every step has been leading to the place where whether or not you attain it today – and most of you should be at that place today – but whether or not you do, know what your goal is. It is reaching that point in consciousness where, when you are confronted with any situation – whether of your own, your family’s, your patients or your students – that you can sit down without any preconceived thought or without any knowing of the truth, just sit back quietly and reassure yourself with a couple of these gentle scriptural statements.

- ‘Not by might, nor by power, but by Thy spirit,’ not by physical might nor by mental power, but by spiritual power, by the presence of God.
- ‘Thy Grace is my sufficiency in all things.’
- ‘Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.’

Something gentle, something soft, something reassuring of that nature and then gradually get still. Open the ear so that you can hear the 'still small voice' – even though you may not hear It audibly – but you will be receptive and responsive. You’ll feel It.” ~Joel

(Father, may I lean on Your understanding?... … ... Thank you... I Love You. ~al.within)
"You’ll be aware of It, and then when that warmth comes within you, or that surge or that release, then you will know, ‘ah, thank you, the Father is on the field.’ Then relax and go about your business. Do anything you like then, but keep your thought away from the person and the problem because now this spiritual presence and power is on the field.

Now then. Do you not see that unless this teaching is preserved at this level where you first give the students the correct letter of truth and then gradually, through spiritual impartation, bring them to where they, themselves, can feel and experience this spiritual power – that again this wonderful thing that we have been witnessing these many years will disappear from the earth because it cannot be taught by books or through the mind? Those are only preliminary steps leading up to the actual experience of the Presence and Power.” ~Joel

Ps 25:4,5 (to :)
4 Shew me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths.
5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me:

(As Guidance comes, act on it. The next step will come. ~Al)
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“Now it is possible that students correctly taught can make use of books and recordings and meditation to the opening of that spiritual power within them. If we didn’t have that hope, then there would be no hope for future generations because we have nothing to leave except books or recordings or some other form of intellectual teaching which will lead the individual to that inner meditation that opens the spiritual centers within them.

But the greatest value that we can be to this world is our own spiritual development because through it we can then spiritually develop others. In other words, we can be a greater help to them in one year than the books alone would be in ten years. The spiritual development that a person can achieve in ten years can be developed in one year with the help of a spiritual practitioner or teacher who has achieved a measure of the Christ.”

~Joel

Luke 8:4-11
4 And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:
5 A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.
6 And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.
7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.
8 And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.
9 And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?
10 And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.
11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

Ps 138:8 (to :)
8 The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me:
(You have been taught the Way [the seed is planted] - now be still [fertile ground] and be Taught by God. Let His will be done in and through you. Be Love Loving… ~Al)
“That I have actually witnessed and experienced that people who have been studying ten, twenty or thirty years and have not made one single advance in the line of achieving spiritual awareness or inner Grace, that after a very few months of personal contact can experience, already begin to experience, that Christ and begin to do healing work themselves and all the years before couldn’t. The years before weren’t lost, but they could have been shortened. Do you see? And so it will be.

You may hand books to someone and watch them struggle for ten years without achieving the actual spiritual presence and power themselves. Whereas you might give them those same books, or tell them about them, and with a few months of personal contact, awaken the spiritual centers in them so that they themselves experience inner Grace.” ~Joel

I Cor 15:58
58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Luke 11:9,10
9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

(Dear Friends,
Never hesitate to ask a question, just talk or share an awakening.
Loving you, ~Al
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"Now you see we are not living by bread alone. We are not living by forms – even books or tapes. We are living by ‘every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God’ in you, by every word that you receive within your self, by every spiritual impulse that you receive within your own being – that is what we are living by now. Do you see that?

We won’t discard the bread nor will we discard the books or the recordings, but we won’t live by them alone. We will use them only to the development of our inner spiritual Grace because eventually the whole world will have to learn to live without books and without teachers because Christ is a reality.

The Son of God in man is the truth of being. Every individual on the face of the globe has an inner spiritual capacity. It needs only to be awakened. Some voice teacher said some years ago that everybody in the world can sing. It just takes a teacher to open up that center for them. It may be true. I don’t know. I’m an exception to the rule (Laughter).

But I am sure of this – that there are no exceptions to this rule that every individual on the face of the globe – and I’m including animal, vegetable and mineral – has a Soul. There is a Soul which is the true essence of creation. God made all that was made – even the potatoes in the field. Therefore, they must all have been made of God. So there must be a Soul-capacity behind all of creation, and so it is that this must be awakened. Do we awaken the soul of a potato? No, no we don’t do that. But in the realization of God as the soul of the potato, a potato couldn’t be fattening. That would be helpful (Much laughter).” ~Joel

Eph 5:14
14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

Matt 4:4
4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

(Living by Spirit is seeing God’s face on everything, everywhere we look. Thank you Father, for showing me Your Face. ~Al)
“Actually the secret of harmonious living is that God is the Soul of this universe and, therefore, there is nothing in this world destructive to another thing. Nor is there any one destructive to another. That is a liberating thought – not the statement – of coming into that spiritual awareness will show you that there really are not vicious beasts or other destructive forms of life. There are in human experience, oh yes, until we, through Grace, through this inner realization come to that place of realization.

There is in, right out from, out in the desert, Desert Hot Springs, California, right by Palm Springs, near Palm Springs, there is a man who is known as a desert rat. He’s lived, I guess, 40 years out in the desert, but he’s a man of very brilliant education. He’s a Harvard man and for all of the years that he’s been a desert rat, he’s also been a correspondent for the New York Times. And that man has built a tremendous establishment, oh it must have much more than a hundred rooms – all of stone and rock brought in from the desert as a sort of a monument to all the desert rats.

You ought to see that man’s collection of snakes, and you ought to see him mingling with them, and not one sign of discord. And he states very clearly that their fangs have not been drawn, and he keeps them well away from the public. I mean by that the public is secured from them. They can see them, but they’re secured from them, but he will walk right in and out among them. And I know from the man’s life – I know him personally, and his religious conviction is he’s a Theosophist, and doesn’t eat meat and doesn’t believe in the destruction of life, and does believe that God is the Soul of all life. And so you’ll find that it isn’t that there is anything destructive in this world nor anyone, but that there is, because of our resistance to it, there is destruction in our experience.

Now. Merely stating that God is love and that God is the Soul of all this world will not enable us to swallow poison without harm, and don’t think so. But attaining this inner Grace – this inner realization – will show you what the miracles really are that take place when heaven is experienced on earth.” ~Joel

Rom 8:9 (to .)
9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.
“Now. Our work in the message of The Infinite Way has two departments: the teaching of the correct letter so that we do not go off into blind faith, so that we do not mix ‘mentology’ with spirituality, so that we do not go out into believing that right thinking is a spiritual power or that making statements or giving treatments is a spiritual power, but rather that we learn through the correct letter that God is the very Soul of all being. God is the substance, that therefore ‘I and the Father are one,’ meaning you and the Father are one, that we and the Father are one, that we are literally all one in this Christ or Son of God, Spirit.

Now once we have attained the intellectual knowledge that ‘I and the Father are one and all that the Father hath is mine, and the place whereon I stand is holy ground,’ there is no need of my looking outside of myself for good, but rather look to the center of my own being, and then watch It flow from all directions. Once we know that letter of truth, then we can begin to sit back and be quiet and be still until the inner realization takes place. That then is the moment of annunciation or conception of the Christ within us. Then in a short period following that will come the birth itself, the actual experience of Christ governing our lives.

‘I live, yet not I.’ This inner spiritual realization is that which goes before me to ‘make the crooked places straight.’ This inner spiritual realization is that which walks beside me and behind me. This inner spiritual realization is that which feeds and maintains and sustains, governs, guides, protects. It is this inner realization. And so, students of The Infinite Way must not fool themselves that into believing that wonderful statements of truth will do miracles for them or that books will do miracles for them. Remember the teaching is that REALIZATION of these truths will perform the miracles of life.” ~Joel

Luke 17:20 The,21
20 …The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:
21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

(The correct letter of the word helps us make sure we of our own selves can do nothing and directs us to not look without [i.e. within the body or in
this world] for God. We then turn confidently to the Christ Within for God's understanding to be Revealed in Spirit. ~Al)
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“I have never, never known a fine healing in the metaphysical or spiritual world except where they were accompanied by inner realization. Where there is a true spiritual regeneration, it comes only because there has been an inner true spiritual realization. It is not an activity of what you know or what you can repeat or how many statements you can say or declare. It is a matter of realization.

Use the statements; use the letter of truth merely to bring you into an inner stillness where the experience can take place. And then you may be assured of this. You will understand what it means that ‘I have never seen the righteous begging bread.’ It doesn’t mean the person who is just obeying the Ten Commandments. It means the person who has made their contact with this inner realization so that they are right at one, in tune with, in accord with, the divine will.

Let us meditate on this.” ~Joel

Job 23:14 (to :)
14 For he performeth the thing that is appointed for me:

Ps 57:2
2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me.

(Dear Friends,
I was asked one time why I do the work I do, why I am devote so much time to meditating, writing & pouring out. I wasn’t really sure how to answer the question - but here is a rough idea of what came out: To me, my work is not mine. I would have to describe it as if it is not a conscious activity. It is more like breathing or circulating my blood. I am not doing it by a thought process. It just Is and it must be done. And so it is with God’s will. It just Is. He performeth the work I am to do. All of it. Once you experience this, there is no going back… There is no other way. There is no purpose for me anymore by living in this world of success and failure, lack or abundance. There is no life other than His, and I have to recognize that…I seem to have to, or I cannot breathe. I am so grateful for His Love that flows in and out… In and out… Thank you for the Love, Father. I Love You… I am resting in Your arms. ~al.within)
“There is a man in India who is doing probably the outstanding spiritual healing work of any of those who are doing it in India, and his method is this. On the first of every month he begins a new class or group and they meet at his place and for one hour they sit in the silence and no word is spoken. And I heard there, learned there that, or rather learned about him there, that his average of healings is tremendous. Some of them are healed very quickly, but nearly all are healed before the month is over of whatever their physical or mental claim. But you see, and that can be done. That can be done.

Anyone could start that there or here and have – I mean anyone who can make the inner contact – and have a wonderful, wonderful, build a wonderful reputation for healing. As a matter of fact, too wonderful because in the end they’ll be thought to be so spiritual and so much an avenue of God that they’ll begin to be worshipped. And you see the fault in that that eventually these people come to believe that all of this spiritual power is in that man, in that teacher. And that they must come to him because God, for some reason, has chosen him to be a healer; whereas, the correct letter of truth will reveal to you that this is a possibility not only to that teacher but to you too.” ~Joel

John 14:10-12 (to ;)
10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.
11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.
12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also;

(Check your ego, voice, thought and effort at the door. Enter in humble silence and be still… … … Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty. Love is Loving… So, Listen without effort. Wait without effort. Watch with an attitude of expectation, but without effort… Letting God’s will be done doesn’t mean you will have to do anything… You might be led to - but trust me - follow the directions that come exactly. ~Al)
“It is only a matter of sitting quietly until that inner Grace is achieved and it can be by anyone who knows the correct letter. Those people couldn’t do it because they will just sit down, and get quiet and wait for they know not what. But we, any of our students, should be able to do it because when they sit down, they know that ‘this place whereon I stand is holy ground,’ that right here all of the Godhead is. **Where I am thou art, where thou art, I am for we are one.** And so with that realization, we can sit and be patient until the experience comes. Do you see that?

And so it is that we must, first of all, develop our own spiritual capacities and endowments to that point where we can bring healing, harmony, wholeness to others – first in this small individual way, later in the larger ways of institutional healing and then corporate and labor management and so forth, and so on. And then we must also impart it to others so that they realize that ‘God is no respecter of persons.’ Anyone who makes the contact – ‘though your sins were scarlet you can be white as snow’ – the moment this spiritual impulse touches you. Your sins of yesterday have nothing to do with today once that spiritual impulse is aroused – nothing, neither the sins of the past.” ~Joel

John 8:11 And
11  …And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.

(So how do we do that? All sin has a common thread - an acceptance of the concept that there is something besides the Omnipresence of God. Jesus was saying, “Here and now you have witnessed the Christ Truth on earth, don’t get caught up in the mesmerism of self again.”

So, if you have one split-second of Realization, Communion or an Assurance of Infinite Love, the Spirit dwells in you that instant. All sin has dissolved for that spilt-second right? You have what you need. Now do it again! And begin to develop a habit of praying without ceasing. You’ve got this, now go and do likewise.  ~Al)
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“We have a perfect example of that in our good friend St. Paul who was a big tough murderer before that, and Moses who also was hot-tempered, and killed a man and later became the very grace of God on earth. Our sins of the past have nothing to do with us once the Grace has touched us. Once we have touched that inner peace, then the temple is cleansed, and then, from there on, we are told ‘but go and sin no more lest a worse thing come upon you.’ After that, it’s, ‘watch your step.’

Thank you, thank you, thank you.” ~Joel

Matt 23:9
9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

(When we experience the Inner Realization of the nature of God, we instantly rise above karmic law and Live by the Grace of God. We become His instrument - asking nothing, sharing Everything… We become as He Is - Love Loving. ~Al)