

“THE DAILY LESSON”

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The subject of study for the month of JULY 2013 is:

37.

“BEAR WITNESS TO GOD IN ACTION”

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Side One**

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By Joel S. Goldsmith

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 1, 2013

“Good morning. *(Class responds.)* You will notice in much of the literature of today how much attention is being drawn to the fact that there is a spiritual kingdom, a spiritual universe, a spiritual presence or power, and the need for bringing this into our human experience. This was, of course, the message of the Master Christ Jesus that as in heaven, so on earth, the

kingdom of God must be realized. In other words, as it is in the spiritual realm, so must it be in what we call the human realm; the two must become one.

Now. Some 300 A.D. that began to disappear from the earth, and at intervals it has been revived. From the 12th to the 17th century in Europe there were mystics actually experiencing the kingdom of God within themselves, actually realizing spiritual presence and spiritual power and showing it forth to the world; that is to the world able to receive and respond to it. The history of that era is the history of persecution by the church.

Wherever an individual appeared showing forth, bearing witness to spiritual power, to an actual contact with God, they were, of course, persecuted, often imprisoned, and in the end the church succeeded in wiping these people, and their followers, off the earth. Some of them today are greatly honored by the Church.” ~Joel

Matt 6:10

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

(The farther we go along this path, the more we realize that there is no me or mine, everything is Thine. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 2, 2013

“Now. Wherever and whenever it appears on earth that there is an individual spiritually endowed or imbued with the Spirit of God, there is a teaching comes forth making it evident that it is possible for all mankind to show forth the same evidences of spiritual power as those who originally teach it. For centuries before the advent of the Master, it was prophesized that the Christ was about to appear. The Hebrews had prophesized it for centuries. And, of course, they were looking for a man. They were expecting a man to be the Savior, the Messiah, because they were interpreting in their sense of value.

Just as today we might think of a rich person and then visualize one with a million dollars. Whereas if a person of spiritual vision were thinking of a rich person, they would think of a person who was gloriously free and happy, and unconfined and unfettered and ate when he felt like eating and drank when he felt like drinking and was completely free to go or come and so forth and so on. The ideas of wealth would be different in the material sense than in the spiritual sense. And so it is that as these teachings come to earth, very often a spiritual teaching is evaluated from a material standpoint. In other words, if you're very spiritual you're probably driving a Cadillac instead of a Ford.” ~Joel

Matt 13:13-17

13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

14 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:

15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.

(The perceptions and expectations of God, Life, Truth, Love and Spirit is entirely different than the Experience. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 3, 2013

“Of course that isn’t true. We know that; the world doesn’t know it. But they did prophesy the coming of the Messiah. They expected it to be a man, and they expected that man to give them what they called freedom. And that freedom meant freedom from religious persecution, freedom from unjust taxation, freedom from many of what they called the inequalities of the day.

Little did they realize that the freedom they hoped to attain would be more than offset by the slavery that they would be under to their own church organization. Instead of tithing with Rome, they’d be tithing with Jerusalem. Instead of sacrificing to Rome, they’d be sacrificing to Jerusalem. In other words, they were expecting a spiritual principle in terms of a human being and human welfare. They were interpreting Spirit materially. You have that same thing today in practically all New Thought work where the whole object is to turn a bad material condition into a good one, or a poor one into a rich one – always from a human standpoint, always from a human value.

Now. Later another prophecy came into the world, and that prophecy said that in the twentieth century spiritual freedom would come on earth, that man would at last be freed from material bondage. The twentieth century is the time in prophecy that has been set for the coming of the Christ. Only this time prophecy doesn’t expect it to be in the form of a man. Prophecy expects it to come in the form of spiritual consciousness individually demonstrated. In other words, the prophecy is exactly the same as it was in Hebraic days except that it is more nearly appreciated in its spiritual sense rather than its material.

Very few people – and certainly none of the intelligent religious thinkers – expect any Jesus Christ to appear on earth or any human teacher who will be looked up to as the one and only son of God. Prophecy doesn’t seem to be concerning itself with that phase of Christhood, but rather with the fact that in the twentieth century spiritual enlightenment, or the Christ, will come to individual consciousness. And, in a measure, we are witnessing the beginning of that era right now. The signs of it are to be seen in this literature of the world now that is stressing the fact that not even a peace treaty is going to be the ultimate solution on earth, and that not even a guaranteed wage will be the ultimate answer. No unionism, no wiping out unionism.

No, no the answer does not lie in changing one set of human conditions for another and this spiritual literature, or rather the spiritual messages that are creeping into literature, are very much in agreement that what is being awaited is a higher state of consciousness." ~Joel

John 19:10,11 (to :)

10 Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?

11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above:

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.

(There is only one Power, anything else that might appear to be a power is thought up by man. ~AI)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 4, 2013

“Now. One thing that most of the literature fails to reveal is how that spiritual enlightenment is to come, or how an individual may attain it. It goes only so far as to predict its coming and to agree upon its necessity. But only here and there will you find something that gives a concrete, ‘this is how it is to be achieved. This is how you, as an individual, may bring it into your experience.’

Now, our work in the message of The Infinite Way is, of course, an agreement with the fact that this is the time for spiritual enlightenment. Actually, all time has been the time. Two thousand years ago would have been a fine time for it had the world been able and ready to apprehend it. But when the Master came, superstition and spiritual ignorance was of such a degree that the masses could not apprehend, comprehend. They could not cognize or discern the fact that the Master was revealing a principle of spiritual living and spiritual power. And so they interpreted it as a great spiritual man endowed with this power and themselves as the beneficiaries of it.

He is the Son of God and he will perform these miracles, and we will be fed and we will be freed. He will free us with his great God power and then we will be free. He will feed us, and we will be fed and satisfied. He will heal us. Finally he had to say to them, ‘If I go not away, the Comforter cannot come to you,’ because they were not perceiving that Christ isn’t a man – It is the Spirit of God in man.” ~Joel

John 16:4-7 (to 2nd ;)

4 But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

5 But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?

6 But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.

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;

(Jesus set the example: He lifted his students away from their nets. He supported them with Truth during their growth. He proved the Truth in

living color. And he Loved them enough to let them soar into their own individual Experience.

Everything that I have is thine. Walk with Me a while and then go and do likewise. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 5, 2013

“Now after the Crucifixion and Resurrection when the disciples were left on their own, they had to sink or swim. They had to completely lose all that they’d learned in those three years or they had to demonstrate it. One or the other it would end, or it would be realized. The Christ would end or the Christ would be realized because there was no more Jesus to perform it for them. And to the great glory of the Principle after briefly losing it in their fear and in their concern for the absence of the Master, perhaps even because of their lack of discernment of the meaning of the Crucifixion. Probably they saw the Crucifixion and said, ‘Well if he couldn’t save himself, perhaps this Principle isn’t as good as it appears to be.’

We have that same thing sometimes when a student will say, ‘oh but my teacher or my practitioner had such wonderful vision and they died, and evidently something must be wrong.’ That must have happened to the disciples too. If Jesus could be crucified, the principle must have failed. But evidently the second thought came in there and they said that, ‘yes, there was a Crucifixion, but there was a Resurrection and there was an Ascension. Ah ha, maybe they were just three parts of one demonstration. Probably there couldn’t have been a Resurrection and an Ascension without a Crucifixion.’ And so they began to perceive the principle behind the thing, and for 300 years we had some very mighty works performed on earth.

Now that, of course, is evidence that 2,000 years ago would have been just as good a time for this spiritual age to have touched us as this time. In fact, any time is – even before 2,000 years ago Moses had a spiritual realization that ‘I am that I am,’ and was so enabled to demonstrate it as to lead his people out of the Egyptian darkness, slavery, poverty, into a higher sense of good.

And so we know that prophecy that concerns itself with the coming of the Christ is always true, and so the prophecy of today that now is the time for the appearing of the Christ is absolutely true. And if it should be lost in this age, it will be just as correct to prophesy it for 500 years from now or 2,000 years from now because any time is the right time for the appearing of the Christ on earth because the Christ always is on earth. It needs only apprehension, comprehension, discernment to bring It into visible expression.” ~Joel

I Pet 2:21

21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

Heb 13:8

8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever.

(The trick is to recognize the Christ when you see It.

The time is Now. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof...

Look in the mirror!

And so it Is - in visible expression. Bear witness.

~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 6, 2013

“Agreeing upon these things the question must naturally arise in any thinker’s thought: ‘Yes, I can agree on that. I know that only God can make a tree. I know that man doesn’t create himself. But how, how, how, how is this Christ realized? How is this Christ *attained*?’

Well, The Infinite Way has concerned itself these nine years, going on ten, with answering that question through saying that ‘if you abide in the word and let the word abide in you,’ that is one way. In other words, if you know the correct letter of truth, and if you abide in it, learn more and more to depend on it, rely on it – if you let it abide in you, then you will be consciously one with God and bear spiritual fruitage. And then this message has brought forth the many, many quotations of scripture, and shown how practical they are in our experience. Not by repeating them or affirming them, that is deadly – but by the correct understanding of them, utilization of them and, in the end, reliance on them; however, without affirmations and without denials, and without any form of mental process beyond recognition, acceptance.

The message has been revealed in written form, in spoken form, in recorded form, and always and on every page it is revealed; remember these words, in and of themselves, are not power except and until the consciousness of them is attained.” ~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.

Ps 91:2

2 I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

II Pet 1:2

2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

(Abide. Rely. Behold. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 7, 2013

“Many years ago I was invited to start a school and college for the teaching of practitioners and teachers because that, it is agreed, is the great need of the world today – those who can heal and those who can teach the message. And I refused on this ground: that there never has been in the history of the world a school that could teach healing and teaching. There are schools that can give you diplomas. There are schools that can give you titles. There are no schools that can actually turn out a teacher or a healer – why? Because nothing that you learn is of any importance when you are face to face with a condition that needs healing or a student that needs teaching because the only thing that will do the work is spiritual power, and that's not words. Ah, there is the great point. Words may help us to attain the consciousness, but it is the consciousness that does the work and, therefore, merely teaching these words in classes and schools is of no avail.” ~Joel

John 4:23,24

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

(The intellect serves no purpose in Spiritual healing. God and His work is beheld in Silence. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 8, 2013

“Then, secondly, the Spirit cannot be taught in a class. The Spirit can be imparted to a student. How rapidly that is done depends on the capacity of the individual teacher. Certainly it should never be undertaken in any period under three, or five or six or seven years. Anyone who believes they can turn out a practitioner or a teacher under three to seven years hasn’t even begun to understand the nature of spiritual consciousness because, while it is true that you may, during the period of teaching, be revealing the letter of truth, you are doing something more than that. You are stripping the student of the material sense that is blocking the spiritual power.

Let me tell you this. There is no such thing as a material world and a spiritual world. There is only one world. But there is a material sense of body and a spiritual sense of body. There is a material sense of universe and there is a spiritual consciousness of universe.

Now we, when we are born, are born into the material sense of universe because we were born through material conception. In other words, our very own parents believed that we were born of their seed. So that very belief started our conception and we took on that belief immediately. And so when we were brought into the world, the first words uttered were, ‘don’t let the baby fall or drop. He’ll get hurt or killed.’ ‘Be careful’ – probably the first words, ‘be careful.’ In other words, here’s another piece of matter; don’t let it hit another piece of matter. Whereas, man isn’t a piece of matter. Man is a spiritual identity.” ~Joel

I Cor 15:45

45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

(My friends, Joel has changed his tone in this, the 37th class of this series. He assumes and expects we are lifted up a few steps. We are no longer looking to man to think or do - just bear witness to God. The Word of God must now communicate Spirit to Spirit. Being still is no longer sitting quietly for minutes or hours with our calm thoughts intent on attaining something. If we are the last Adam, what purpose can thoughts have? Loving you Spirit to Spirit. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 9, 2013

“Now. We grew up developing a deep material sense, and we proved that by protecting our bodies. Many times we were taught not to give our toys away – certainly not to lose our marbles. Rather be a winner than a loser, and then the very moment we were old enough, we probably were shown how to save pennies in a pig bank. And if we wanted something, to save up for it – all of this developing in us the material sense in which we found ourselves when our savings ran out or our stock of bodily strength ran out, or our allotted human span ran out. And so we came to a place where we found that our stored up materiality was dust. Even the muscles we built with exercise now were flabby.

Well, it probably was at some point of material deflection or defection that we turned to question isn't there something else? Or that somebody suggested to us there is something beyond matter. And so in one way or another, we were turned toward either a mental or spiritual teaching.

Now. One of the first lessons we learned was that matter isn't quite as hard and obstinate as it appears to be, and that it really doesn't require one piece of matter to do something to another piece of matter. If we came through a mental approach, we perhaps learned that thoughts control the body, and that you could change the activity of the bodily organs and functions by some manner of right thinking. And so you learned that the mental realm was really superior to the physical.

However, if you didn't come that way, you came through a spiritual approach which revealed that Spirit Itself is the only power and, therefore, it never was necessary for one power to control another. It never was necessary for mind to control matter. It never was necessary for right thoughts to control the body because immediately you were lifted into the highest realm where thoughts are not things, where thoughts are just as much a belief as things, and Spirit alone takes over.” ~Joel

Eph 4:4-6

4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

(There you have it from Paul written in Ephesus about 60 A.D. - plain as day..."and through all, and in you all". Either Omnipresence Is or it isn't, right? Stand your Consciousness on Holy Ground [In Spirit]. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 10, 2013

“Now, whether you came through the mental approach or the spiritual, you were on the right path because you were being led to see that the material sense of life is not the correct one, is not the ultimate one, is not the complete one. And so even if you started on the bypath of believing that mind was power or thoughts were power, at least you were lifted above material sense. And that was a step in the right direction.

As you advance from material sense, from the mental sense into the spiritual, you will be taking the final step in which you will not be using right thinking to overcome wrong living, in which you will not be using one power to supplant another power, in which you will not be using one power to correct the universe of another power. But in which you will realize that both the physical and the mental are but strata of the spiritual consciousness and governed by Spirit without conscious thought.” ~Joel

I Cor 13:11,12 (to :)

11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face:

“From Sense to Soul”

By Violet Hay

“From sense to Soul my pathway lies before me,
From mist and shadow into Truth's clear day;
The dawn of all things real is breaking o'er me,
My heart is singing: I have found the way.

I reach Mind's open door, and at its portal
I know that where I stand is holy ground;
I feel the calm and joy of things immortal,
The loveliness of Love is all around.

The way leads upward and its goal draws nearer,
Thought soars enraptured, fetterless and free;
The vision infinite to me grows clearer,
I touch the fringes of eternity.”

(Take no material thought, mental judgment and arguments have no spiritual power. Our awareness is lifted through the many layers, levels or degrees of consciousness. We are always God appearing As - we always have been and always will be. Missteps and shadows can never hold us back. My heart is singing, "I have found the Way"... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 11, 2013

“Now in all of this process you learn a very wonderful thing. You learn to lose your fear and your hate of erroneous physical conditions and mental conditions. You no longer hate them or fear them and, eventually, you learn not to love the good physical and mental conditions. You will not be so eager to use your truth to get rid of the inharmonies of life in order to acquire the harmonies, but you will be just as eager to rise above the harmonies as you were originally to get rid of the discords.

And – I say to you in all sincerity – no one enters the spiritual path while they are using one power to make better the discords of another power. In other words, until it becomes clear that we do not know what things God hath prepared for us – we do not know what the spiritual harmonies of life are until we stop trying to attain the human harmonies.

Now a healthy human being, you know, ends up just as dead as a sick one. A wealthy human being ends up just as much dollar-less as the other. That’s why we have probate courts. In the end it has to be taken away from them by force if they won’t give it up any other way. And so it is that remember that the acquisition of health or the acquisition of wealth has no relationship to the spiritual life.” ~Joel

John 5:30

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.

I Cor 2:9,10

9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

(Rising above this world means rising above all of it. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 12, 2013

“The spiritual life is an attaining of spiritual consciousness in which and through which automatically your human life is made harmonious and normal, and you are provided with a perfect functioning physical body and a perfect functioning business, investment or other economic body. In other words, your good health isn’t taken away from you through the Spirit nor is your wealth taken away from you through the Spirit. They are given to you multiplied, multiplied time and time again by virtue of Its own innate activity.

Now. The kingdom of heaven on earth means the attaining of that spiritual consciousness in which you do not judge by human standards or physical standards. You don’t judge health by conditions of body; you don’t judge wealth by amounts of dollars but by the attainment of this freedom from concern about the body and the purse. Therein is spiritual freedom. Freedom, spiritual freedom, is a freedom from concern about the world.”
~Joel

John 8:31,32

31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

(Experiencing God Consciousness is seeing, knowing and feeling your Spiritual Self. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 13, 2013

“Now. The achievement of that freedom, the achievement of that spiritual consciousness which results in that freedom, comes to us through the consciousness of those who, in some measure, have attained freedom from concern for this world – what the Master called ‘overcoming this world.’ ‘I have overcome this world.’ Yet he still ate and he still drank and he still walked the earth, but he says, (and he still wore clothes) ‘I have overcome the world. I have overcome my concern for this world.’ And that which enabled him to do it was the point upon which this unfoldment of The Infinite Way is based.”

Number one: there is a God.

Number two: The activity and presence of that God is within range of your own consciousness, within you, or as the poet said, ‘closer than breathing, nearer than hands and feet.’” ~Joel

John 16:33 but

33 ...but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Luke 17:21

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

(The Loveliness of Love is all around. We cannot be separated... So, be still, go within and bear witness to His activity. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 14, 2013

“Now the remaining point is how then if there is a presence and power of God within me, and I have had to live lo these many years without any evidence of it or help from it, how am I to attain it? And so this message is dedicated – through its writings and recordings – to the revelation of that point, always bringing to your remembrance that your reading and hearing of these words must lead you to the consciousness of it, and that you cannot be taught this message by one who has not, in some degree, attained freedom from this world.

They may not have attained the same degree of freedom that Jesus Christ did, but they must have attained some measure of freedom from this world before it can be imparted to you. And it is doubtful if you – or your student – is going to attain any great measure of it without several years of study and application. It is for this reason then that any attempt to teach this with any belief in its demonstrability without the devotion of time, thought, and attainment of freedom from concern of the world must meet with failure.

It is for this reason that we cannot give a class to a thousand people and then hand out a thousand diplomas and say, ‘go out and practice it.’ No, it has been my experience that if a student remains with me three, four, five, six, seven years and has a good deal of contact with me that, by that time, they are beginning to show forth the result of it in healing work, and in some measure of freedom themselves from concern with the work. The others should be getting some degree of benefit from their own study and practice, and the help in their immediate problems from those who have gone a step beyond.” ~Joel

Matt 5:14-16

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Matt 28:19,20

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

(It takes a while to realize that Truth is impersonal, even longer to realize it needs to stay that way... Go ye therefore, and teach all nations. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 15, 2013

“Now. In addition to all of the ways that are shown forth in our literature, I would like to call your attention today to another step in this unfoldment, and this is a step that a beginner or even a young student of this work cannot hope to attain. First of all because it smacks too much of old theology and of, ‘let God do it,’ and it isn’t that at all. But to a young student, it will appear that way and so they would miss the mark if they attempted it.

But, as you know, we have been working now eight weeks – since the beginning of my Special Chicago work, Special Seattle work, on which this last seven weeks of this work have been based. All of this has been done for the benefit of the students who have been through eight years of reading, eight years of class work, eight years of preparation for a step which they should be able to take now.

And I will say here those who are familiar with the writings – either through reading them or hearing them in the recordings – those who are familiar with the message will find no difficulty in taking this next step. Those who are not sufficiently prepared with the years will find this an impossible step, and that they will find ultimately that they will have to go back to the books and the recordings and come up through those steps because I want to bring to your attention today a step called BEARING WITNESS.” ~Joel

John 15:26,27

26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

27 And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

(Look up... The Kingdom of God is at hand. ~Love)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 16, 2013

“Scripture is full of that term, ‘bearing witness.’ ‘I bear witness.’ In a court room a witness goes on the platform, on the chair, in the chair, to tell what they beheld – not what they did, not what they were a part of, what they beheld. A witness bears witness to something that took place and so at no point should a witness say, ‘I brought this about,’ or ‘I did that,’ or ‘I helped this.’ ‘This is what I beheld and I am repeating it.’

That is what the Master meant in bearing witness to God. The Master had no part in using spiritual power. The Master bore witness to God’s power. He claimed no power for himself. ‘I can of my own self do nothing. The Father within me doeth; I bear witness to that which I see the Father do.’”
~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.

(Father, I take no effort of my own... I will rest now and bear witness of Your actions, Your will being done, Your Love Loving. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 17, 2013

“Now. At this point of our unfoldment a student facing a problem – whether of their own or another – does not seek to use a spiritual power or a law of God or a truth. This student will sit in quietness and stillness and watch God do it while they do nothing. And then they can say, ‘I bore witness to a healing. I bore witness to the activity of God in human affairs. I didn’t do it. I had no part in it. I bore witness to God performing this.’

You see, too much of the metaphysical world doesn’t believe there’s a God. They really believe that what they’re doing with their mind, the truth they wrangle around in their thought, that that is God. They really believe sometimes that the thoughts they think are God. No, no. There is a God. Take my word for it, and God works independently of any human help. God needs no human help. God cannot be influenced by a human being – not even a human being’s desire to save life. God isn’t even influenced by that.” ~Joel

Job 23:14 (to :)

14 For he performeth the thing that is appointed for me:

(Father... I, of mine own self, can do nothing... So all I can do is to wait, and watch, and listen, and experience Thy will, Thy Works being done on earth as it is in Heaven... I sit secretly, and silently, and unaffected by the noise of the world around me. For the earth is Yours and the fullness thereof... I rest back and wait... .. .)

In Loving Oneness, ~al.within)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 18, 2013

“Now. (*Phone rings*) Let us suppose that a call comes as is coming for help. Can I give it or can you give it? And those of you who have experience know the answer: nobody can give it. If it doesn't come from God, they are hopeless. If God can't answer that call, they're hopeless. Ah yes, but God isn't answering it.

The hospitals are filled, the mental institutions are filled, the battlefields are filled. God isn't answering on earth. That's true, and God cannot answer on earth because God must find entrance through consciousness, and it must be a consciousness completely deflated of ego. It must be a consciousness so definitely imbued with the understanding that God is, that they are willing to sit back: *'Father this is your universe. It was here before I was. Take over.'* And sit in that stillness, sit in that quietness, sit in that peace until God does come in.

Remember this. God cannot appear on earth except through consciousness. God cannot appear on earth except AS consciousness – but not the human, thinking, reasoning consciousness, but the consciousness that is still.

Now that doesn't wipe out the need for a thinking, reasoning consciousness. Oh no, no, no. The thinking, reasoning consciousness becomes an instrument used by this still small voice – consciousness – God. In other words, if I am silent and what I am saying is really being imparted to me through Spirit, then through the activity of the human senses – the mind, the speech, the thought, the intellect – It can be voiced, and through your intellect hearing, as well as thinking, reasoning and accepting, It can enter your consciousness. So we do not wipe out the human mind. We do not erase human consciousness. We do not stop thinking or reasoning, but we do not accept these as God, but as instruments through which God works.” ~Joel

Ps 46:10 (to :)

10 Be still, and know that I am God:

(David didn't write, be still and sit there and do nothing - he wrote: be still and KNOW. In other words, be unaffected by the noise around you and feel the Truth.

Being still to blank the mind is like a having a radio without an antenna. A fertile [surrendered and receptive] mind is an avenue of awareness for God Consciousness to operate. ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 19, 2013

“Now. As our students at this stage agree that there is a God, as our students agree that we have no control over the bodies of other people – we can’t reduce their fevers or remove their lumps. We have no control over the business of other people; we can’t make them less, more intelligent in the operating of their business or we can’t make them more loving in the operating. We have no such powers over their business. But if we will agree that there is a God which operating through the stillness of our thinking, reasoning mind, then we can release all that or let that be released through us so that It will make the not sufficient intelligence become more intelligent.

It can make the unloving become loving. It can make the ungrateful become grateful. It can make the unthinking become thinking. It can make the diseased thought healthy thought. It can make the diseased body, and the diseased business and the diseased profession, healthy. It can, and I can bear witness to that fact. I can bear witness to the power of Spirit in human affairs. I can’t operate It. I can’t function It. I can’t make It do my will. I can’t send It out to make It heal those I would love to see healed.” ~Joel

Isa 45:2 (to :)

2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight:

(Behold... I Am.

~Love)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 20, 2013

“No, but I can be still so that the activity of God can find outlet through me and then touch the receptive and responsive thought. Even God cannot work through the unreceptive and unresponsive. Even God can't do that. There has to be a receptivity and a responsiveness, and then God can operate.” ~Joel

Ps 91:1

1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

(Dwelling is an activity of consciousness. Dwelling is watching and letting. Dwelling is abiding. Dwelling is beholding. Dwelling is letting God do the praying.

Dwelling is letting God do the Dwelling. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 21, 2013

“Now. You perhaps, some of you, saw how our good friend Dr. Peale learned a lesson in spiritual power last Saturday from one of his business friends. He tells the story of going and registering at this hotel and then being told that the manager would like to see him. And the manager said he had a business problem.

Dr. Peale said he wasn't a businessman and so he couldn't help him. But the man told him that he could help him because he had spiritual power. And so he invited the man to have silence with him. He invited Dr. Peale to have silence with him, and in that silence the problem was solved and came through. So Dr. Peale now knows that there is a spiritual power that can come through in the silence and help even businessmen.

Well, in that experience this businessman revealed not only to Dr. Peale but now through Dr. Peale to all those who read his article, that if you will sit in the silence with your problem, the answer will be revealed to you and the more your thought is on spiritual things, the better receptivity you will be. And it was thus proven that, even without his knowledge, the answer came through Dr. Peale. And it was because he was more receptive than the businessman and he was more receptive because even though he knew nothing about spiritual power, he was living with the Bible and had some of that spiritual power.” ~Joel

Hab 2:20

20 But the Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.

John 4:31-35

31 In the mean while his disciples prayed him, saying, Master, eat.

32 But he said unto them, I have meat to eat that ye know not of.

33 Therefore said the disciples one to another, Hath any man brought him ought to eat?

34 Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.

35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

(We must be silent enough to not look around us for worldly good - but to Lift Up our eyes... Recognize the Source of our Being as Omnipresence and see ourselves as already included in it. ~AI)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 22, 2013

“Now remember this: the more spiritual your consciousness, the more clearly will the answers come through from God. That is another reason that you cannot teach this to anyone in six, eight or ten easy lessons. If they, themselves, haven’t attained a lack of fear, hate or love of the evils and the good of the human world, the presence, the activity and the power of God cannot come through. But in the degree that you have spent months, weeks, years in the Bible, in spiritual literature, to attuning your thought to God’s purposes, in the real sense of ‘Thy will be done – not mine,’ – in that degree will your consciousness be so illumined that when you sit down for the solution of a problem it will come through.” ~Joel

Matt 6:10

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

(Your Father knoweth what you have need of... Because, God is Omnipresent in Heaven and on earth.

We become aware of our Love, needs, solutions, supply - at a time when we “think” not. Rest now... .. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 23, 2013

“I have seen this twice in my experience. I know absolutely nothing of what there is underneath the hood of an automobile. I have never had any occasion to look, to find out, and no curiosity. So that I could truthfully tell you that I wouldn't know a carburetor today if you showed me one. And that's true, I just have no knowledge and I have never looked. But twice I have had the experience of my automobile stopping dead in traffic, and wondering 'what now'?

Well, of course, there's lots of human solutions. Just run to the nearest gas station, if there is one, and get the wagon out or get a man out to inspect it. But both of these situations did not lend themselves to that. And so I got out and lifted up the hood, and there couldn't be any more foolish thing in the world for me to do than that because I wouldn't know what to look for after it was opened.

But I did, and on both occasions the same thing happened. I looked and looked, and I saw a loose wire hanging down, and I picked the wire up in my hand and looked around and I saw a gadget in there, and the others had a wire hooked to them but this one had none so I hooked it in and my car went away. I call that spiritual attunement because there was no human knowledge in that – none whatsoever. It was just the fact that I could look there knowing that I didn't know what I was looking for and then something greater than myself could say, 'There it is, right there.'

Now so it is. That's a principle of our work: bearing witness. Whenever a problem is presented to me by our students, you can be assured of this that my own procedure is merely to bear witness to the activity of God, to sit still long enough for the Presence to announce Itself, and then when It does, that is the end of my concern. If then, that has opened up something within you that gives you the right direction to take, or if it removes a fever or a lump, all I can say is that I have borne witness to the activity of Spirit. I personally had nothing to do with manipulation.” ~Joel

James 4:10

10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

John 14:28 I go unto

28 ...I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

(I don't go to my own understanding... I Look Up and behold God's.

Stand Ye still and recognize the Source of all Being. Seek Ye first The Kingdom and bear witness to the Infinite Way of God's Love. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 24, 2013

“I wouldn’t know how to reduce a fever even after 25 years of devoting my full life, full time to the healing work, and I’ve seen many fevers disappear and many lumps, but never, never have I learned how it is done. I know only one thing that when this click comes, when this Spirit announces Itself in me, something happens out there – and not only to the physical body but so often to the whole life. It changes the life of people, and I have many, many letters to show of people who said, ‘My whole life has been changed since I made this contact. It has taken a different direction. It has opened up new worlds.’

And sometimes I think they think that I know how it happened. And all I know is that I’m grateful for the fact that if I’m still enough, that this comes through and works it. And then I can say I can bear witness to the fact that Spirit worked, that Spirit operated, that Spirit was on the field.” ~Joel

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 shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

(... .. Thank you Father. Love You, ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 25, 2013

“Now the step for our students today, those who have had the patience to go through 20 whole tapes – and those who have had the patience to sit here and listen to it – the step for them is to learn to bear witness to God in action. So that after they have seen It, they could go on a witness stand and say, ‘I saw God in action,’ and not claim any credit for it.” ~Joel

James 1:4

4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Matt 19:17 (to :)

17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God:

(Kudos - and blessed are those who have walked with me, step by step, through the entire series of this Kialua Study Group so far - and onward towards the completion of the whole 40 month journey of these 20 two-sided tapes. [And also to those who have joined in silence and in expression along the way] Your patience and persistence is rewarded in Revelation. Your successes have appeared great, but you now know that there is only One success...His! You have found the One Good that Is, was and ever will Be.

Thank you Father [and thank you dear One's in this group] for lifting me to bear witness to Your Love expressed each and every day. Thank you for His Love appearing As. Your servant in Christ, ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 26, 2013

“Now there is the point of this practice. This is the reason that those of the world who haven’t gone far enough do not understand either this work or me in my presentation of it. They do not understand at all that this is not the miracle works of a man, that this is an ability to stand three inches to one side of myself and watch God come through. That is the miracle part of this work.

This is the very thing that the Master must have meant when he repeatedly said, ‘Why callest thou me good? I can of my own self do nothing. The Father within me doeth the works. I bear witness. The Father worketh, and I work hither too.’ All of those things are so, so clear if you will only stop to see that never did he multiply loaves and fishes. It says ‘he looked up.’ That’s the answer: he looked up or he stepped aside from himself and let the Father multiply loaves and fishes. Let the Father.” ~Joel

Mark 6:34-43

34 And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.

35 And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a desert place, and now the time is far passed:

36 Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat.

37 He answered and said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they say unto him, Shall we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?

38 He saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? go and see. And when they knew, they say, Five, and two fishes.

39 And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.

40 And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties.

41 And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all.

42 And they did all eat, and were filled.

43 And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.

(Jesus' disciples were still reasoning their way through the appearance of distraction. So, I guarantee you, that if Jesus had looked at a problem to solve, there would be no story. Instead he looked to God first and did not plug into the appearance of a problem. He commanded the multitude be fed because he was aware of God's Sufficiency - and he looked up and then bore witness to the abundant Fulfillment necessary for the work of the day.

Step aside from the noise that claims a story about a separation from God... Look up... And watch Spirit unfold It's Good. God knows what He's doing...Shut up and let Him do it. ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 27, 2013

“There is a Father – whether you call It ‘Father,’ whether you call It ‘Father/Mother,’ whether you call It ‘Christ,’ whether you call It ‘God’ – all of those things have no meaning. Use any word that means something to you.

There was a long time when the word, ‘God’ meant nothing to me. I couldn’t get anything out of it except G-0-D, and that was all mixed up with concepts that people entertained of it. Later on the word, ‘God’ got to be a very beautiful word in my experience. But from the beginning of my work and for many, many years before I was in the work, there was a miracle-working word in my consciousness, and that word, too, I have never been able to define for anybody, but to me it is the secret of life. That word is ‘Christ.’

I don’t know what Christ means to you. I don’t know what Christ means to the world. I know that those I’ve met in the orthodox world have no more the sense of Christ that I have than Latin and, and English are the same, no.” ~Joel

I Cor 2:11-13

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

(Jesus is an activity of a man.

Christ is the activity of Spirit and Its Revelation.

~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 28, 2013

“No. Christ means and has ever since I’ve been 19 years of age when one day the voice said to me, ‘If you would know the secret of life, study Jesus because in him is the secret of life.’ And it was from that day on that my attention was turned to Jesus – a strange thing to have happen to a boy in a Jewish household, I mean of a Jewish blood. But, nevertheless, that’s the way it happened, and from that day on Jesus has been the central theme of my study, but Christ has been the central theme of my revelation.

I seem to know and feel what it was that imbued him. I know it wasn’t him any more than Christ is me. But I do know what it was that imbued him. Perhaps Edison and Marconi know as much about electricity because that’s the element they work with. But Christ is the element that I work with. Christ is that which has real meaning to me, and when I say ‘live through Christ, in Christ,’ I know absolutely and definitely that I’m speaking of a Presence, a Power, a Spirit, a substance, an activity that is much more real than electricity is. As a matter of fact, It could wipe out electricity if there were any reason for it – and I’ve seen It wipe out the effects of electricity many times.” ~Joel

I Cor 2:9,10

9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

(The world we see, hear, taste, touch and smell is not governed by Spirit. But we can, through a conscious activity of Spirit, see through the appearances of the senses to Reality. We are included in [living in and governed by] Reality while the Spirit dwells in us.

You know what to do... ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 29, 2013

“Now. There is a Something – whether to you it is Christ, or Tao, or Brahma, or God or the Infinite Invisible, it really makes no difference as long as to your consciousness comes an absolute conviction that you are imbued with, that you are endowed with, a Something, an infinity, an Omnipresence, an Omniscience, an Omnipotence, and that you cannot manipulate It. You cannot influence It. There’s no use trying to tithe for It. There’s no use trying to fast. There’s no use trying to give up meat or fish or sex.

None of those things are going to get you there. Only realization is going to get you there – no dependence on any outside ritual or form. They may help to bring about the attainment of the realization just as meditation does. But realization of It, actual experience of It, alone, does the work, and one of the most wonderful ways at this point of our unfoldment is to remember this: The best way to be an instrument for It is to follow what the original Infinite Way told us: Be a beholder. Sit quietly in the realization:

‘Thank you, Father. I’m starting with the fact that I can of my own self do nothing and even if I could, I don’t know what to do or how to do it.’

And then form, develop, for yourself a meditation which will ultimately enable you to rest back as if you were resting on a cloud until that Spirit flows out from you, and you can bear witness. You can be a beholder of that divine flow.” ~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.

(Yes Father, I can do nothing without You doing it. Your Love surrounds, inspires and sustains me. When I am still, really still, and have shut off the noise of this world that tempts me to be affected by it, I can feel Your Presence Living my Life. Thank you, I am very content to rest now and behold Your Life as it unfolds. Thank you Father. ~al.within)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 30, 2013

“You won’t see anything. You won’t feel anything, but you’ll have a sense, an awareness of It, and then It will be the Presence that ‘goes before you to make the crooked places straight.’ It will put the crops in the ground before the seed. It will bring gold out of the fish’s mouth. It will bring manna from the sky, water from the rock – you won’t.” ~Joel

John 15:4 As

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

(Stop... ..)

Look up.

Bear witness.

Abide in the Infinite Invisible.

Love, ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON - JULY 31, 2013

“You will never be a miracle worker if you correctly understand the message of The Infinite Way. But you will be a beholder of more miracles than any group of people on earth have ever witnessed. You will behold more witnesses of rebuilt lives, of the dead coming to life, of the sick being restored, of substance being renewed, of the ‘lost years of the locust’ being restored.

You will bear more witness to that than has ever been known in the history of the world by becoming a beholder, by just stepping aside that much so that you can watch It as It flows.

Bear witness to God in action. Don’t try to make God an action. Don’t try to bring God on the scene. Don’t try to use God. Don’t try to influence God. Don’t try, in any way, to use a Truth for any purpose.

Bear witness to ITS Omnipresence, bear witness to ITS Omnipotence, ITS Omniscience. Be a beholder of IT in action. Oh sure, the world looking on will say of you what it said of Jesus, ‘Oooh, no man ever did these great works.’ And all the time he was saying, ‘I’m not doing them.’

So they will say of you, ‘why, you’re healing the sick, you’re raising the dead, you’re restoring, you’re a wonder!’

And you’ll be saying, ‘oh, foolish person, can’t you see, can’t you see there is a God. All I can do is be silent in ITS Presence. How can I bear witness to God except in silence?’

When the senses are still, God is on the field. ‘In the moment that ye think not, the bridegroom cometh.’ ‘In the moment that ye think not ‘. .. that’s been misinterpreted, it means what it says: in the moment that ye think not! When you’re still and when you’re silent, then the flow begins.

Just think of any human being trying to compose a beautiful piece of music, and then you’ll see the height of egotism. Nobody composes music; they bear witness to the music that flows through them and if they’re quick enough they write it down.

So it is with this, nobody can heal, nobody can save, nobody can regenerate—God IS.

Thank you.” ~Joel

John 14:12 (to ;)

12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also;

(This is God's time,
His Life is here and Now.

You see, you are His instrument,
His Life, His Love, His power.

Be still and witness His expression,
As I Am... and... You Are.

~Al)