

“THE DAILY LESSON”

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to take into meditation and live with throughout your day.

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The subject for our current study is the complete book

“Practicing the Presence”

By Joel S Goldsmith

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 8, 2014

“CHAPTER IV

THE INFINITE NATURE OF INDIVIDUAL BEING

There is an old, old story about a great spiritual teacher who knocked at the gates of heaven for admission into paradise. After some time, God came to the door and inquired, ‘Who is there? Who knocks?’

To this query, came the confident response, ‘It is I.’

‘Sorry, very sorry. There is no room in heaven. Go away. You will have to come back some other time.’ The good man, surprised at the rebuff, went away puzzled. After several years, spent in meditating and pondering over this strange reception, he returned and knocked again at the gate. He was met with the same question and gave a similar response. Once again he was told that there was no room in heaven; it was completely filled at that time.

In the years that passed, the teacher went deeper and deeper within himself, meditating and pondering. After a long period of time had elapsed, he knocked at the gates of heaven for the third time. Again God asked, ‘Who is there?’

This time his answer was, 'Thou art.'

And the gates opened wide as God said, 'Come in. There never was room for *Me* and thee.'

There is not God *and* you or I, there is only God expressed, manifested as individual being. There is only one life--the Father's. We are outside of heaven with no hope of ever gaining entrance to it as long as we believe that we have a selfhood apart from God, a being separate and independent of God." ~Joel

John 10:30

30 I and my Father are one.

"Our Infinite Individual Being is One. Would an individual drop of ocean not be the Ocean? Is a branch of a tree not the tree itself? You see? Not a separate part – but part OF... We are included in the Infinite Presence that is the Omnipresence of God." ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 9, 2014

“All through the ages, duality has separated us from our good, but it is a sense of duality, not duality, because there is no duality. The secret of life is oneness, and oneness is not something that we bring about. Oneness is a state of being.”

Let us take, as an example, a glass tumbler and think of the outside of it and the inside of it. Where does the outside end, and where does the inside begin? As a matter of fact, is there an outside to this tumbler and is there an inside to it? Are there two sides to this tumbler or is there simply a tumbler? Is the outside not the inside, and is not the inside the outside? Are not the outside and the inside of this tumbler one and the same piece of glass? Does not the outside of the tumbler perform one function and the inside another?

When it becomes clear to us that the outside and the inside of this tumbler are one and the same piece of glass, we can then see the relationship between God and man. There is no such thing as God *and* man, any more than there is an outside and an inside to the tumbler, separate and apart from each other. The outside and the inside are one.” ~Joel

John 15:4 As,5

4 ... 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.

“There is not God and you, only God manifest As You. We must recognize that God is the Life, body, and substance of all individual Being. Abide with me now – rejoice in the knowing that we are included As...” ~AI

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 10, 2014

“God is our invisible Selfhood: We are the externalized form or expression of that God, but we are no more two than are the sides of the tumbler. We are only two in function:

God is the creative principle, the source, the activity, and the law of our being; and our being is God in expression or manifestation. We, as individuals, receive our life, law, cause, substance, reality, and continuity from the Infinite Invisible, and that invisible activity appears visibly as the harmony of our being. To return to the example of the tumbler, we observe that any quality, which seems to belong to it, belongs to the glass of which it is formed. The glass then is the substance of the tumbler, and it is the glass that determines the quality and the nature of the tumbler. So with us. God, our inner selfhood, is the quality, the quantity, the cause, the reality, and the substance of our being. All that God is, we are; all that this inner selfhood is, is that which is manifest as my individual being and as yours.”

~Joel

John 5:31

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

“There are no separate selves... No God and something else - no me and something else, and there is no inner self and outer self... There is only One Infinite Selfhood and I am included in that - and All of It is included in me (and you). ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 11, 2014

“God is no respecter of persons. God has no favorites-no favorite religion, race, or nationality. So far as God is concerned, God is one. The degree of our demonstration is the degree of our awareness of this relationship. If a person believes that he has a quality, nature, or characteristic of his own, he has set up a sense of limitation which separates him from the infinity of his demonstration. When he sets aside the belief that he has qualities, activities, or characteristics of his own and realizes that it is God, Itself, his inner Selfhood, that is appearing outwardly, and that it is this inner Selfhood that has and possesses all the qualities, activities, and characteristics of his being; in that moment, he has begun to die daily.”
~Joel

Acts 10:34

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

“What is corpo-reality? There is only One Real-m and One Reality. How could God be aware of anything other than God?

Here you have it: we must come to a place where we are no longer concerned with the activities of this world. We will get there when we absolutely Know God as Omnipresent - One Presence including All. God knowing God. And, we will step above this world’s notions when we realize that we have no separate presence of our own self.

This is what Jesus was talking about when he said, ‘I have overcome the world.’ He was still living and breathing in this world, but he was not concerned about any of it. At that point, he knew his True Identity as Infinite - what could anybody do to Infinite Being. He proved it when the so-called powers of this-world could not kill Him.

Let the belief go that you could expire or go someplace – How do you kill God? Or, a Son or Daughter of God? Or, even a part of God? You see?”
~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 12, 2014

“This is the meaning of Paul's statement, ‘I die daily.’ We must die to every suggestion that we are or have something of ourselves separate and apart from God. We must die to the belief of health just as we must die to the belief of disease. Spiritually, there is no disease, and there is no health because we are or have nothing of our own. To suffer from disease or to enjoy good health is to have something of our own. God has neither health nor disease; God is Spirit, and all that we can possibly have is the Spirit of God. We rise above this pair of opposites, health and disease, as we realize that there is no selfhood apart from God. The only thing that we can possess is what God possesses. God's selfhood is the only Selfhood—neither rich nor poor, neither sick nor well, neither young nor old, and neither live nor dead. It is a state of immortality, eternal being, unchanging, but nevertheless, infinite in its forms and appearances. To acknowledge no selfhood apart from God is the meaning of the Master's command to deny oneself. We should deny that we, of ourselves, have any qualities, character, strength, health, wealth, wisdom, glory, or potentialities. It is our inner Selfhood, God, which appears outwardly as you or as me.” ~Joel

James 4:7 (to .)

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God.

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 [focuses on his corporeal life] shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it [feel the Spirit Within].

(Father, I can of mine own self do nothing... I surrender to Your Way... I recognize only Thy will being done on earth as it is in Heaven. Fill me with Thy Bread for my day [Your Day]... I have stopped stock still and wait upon Your Word... .. ~al.within)

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 13, 2014

“The nature of our existence is immortality, eternality, infinity. Only by virtue of the fact that God is our being can anyone say:

I am infinite; I am eternal; I am immortal-not in and of myself, separate and apart from God, but because God is the life and substance of my being. Infinity is the quantity, and perfection, the quality of being.” ~Joel

Matt 19:16,17 (to :)

16 And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

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

“Jesus also said that the Kingdom of God is within you. Being within you, you are included in the Kingdom and therefore have full access to Infinite Being. We are an Instrument of, and for, God. We are Infinite Being As...”
~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 14, 2014

“The Word is made flesh; all flesh is formed of the Word of God. My body, therefore, is the perfect Word of God made flesh, made manifest. My body, being of the essence and substance of God, God-governed, can embody only the activity, harmony, grace, joy, and beauty of God. Nothing external can affect the perfection of my body, whether it is in the form of food, germs, or other people's thoughts. Nothing foreign to God can enter to defile it or make a lie.” ~Joel

Gal 5:18

18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

“Omnipresence means that God is only aware of Itself.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 15, 2014

“There is a common belief that food has power to nourish us for good, to make us ill, or to make us fat or lean; but the fact is, our consciousness governs the organs and functions of the body. It is our consciousness, God-consciousness, which is our individual consciousness, that is the law, the cause, the activity, and the substance of the organs and functions of the body. That same consciousness is the substance and nourishment of the food we eat. The food, in and of itself, has no quality or property of nourishment except what we give it. Once we can agree that, in and of themselves, our digestive and eliminative organs have no power to act, but that consciousness is the animating power, directing their functioning, we can go forward to the next step and realize that it is this same consciousness which imparts to our food its value.” ~Joel

John 4:31,32

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.

“I can of mine own self, do nothing. The Spirit within does the work, supplies my sustenance, feeds my Soul and provides the means for Loving you. Thank you Father.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 16, 2014

“From the moment that we were conceived as human beings, we have been under material and mental laws; we have been governed by laws of food, weather, climate, time, and space. Always as human beings, we are under some law, whether it is a natural law or a law of materia medica or theology. These are really universal beliefs, but they act as law to our experience until we consciously realize our immunity from anything and anybody external to ourselves and realize that the issues of life flow out from us. We are not the victims of anything external to ourselves. We are spiritual identity, not mortal beings conceived in sin and brought forth in iniquity. Our true identity is consciousness, Spirit, Soul; and therefore, we are not subject to the laws of matter. God is infinite law, and this being true, the only law is the law of God, operating in our consciousness as a law of harmony unto our bodies.” ~Joel

John 15:6 (to ;)

6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered;

“We live under natural laws and are limited by them, until we Realize the true nature of God and our true Identity as Infinite Being.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 17, 2014

“If this realization were of great enough depth, we would automatically rule out of our lives all physical discords; but because in most cases it is merely an intellectual acceptance, it is not effective in our experience. Let us make it effective by a specific act of consciousness:

Spirit is my true identity. I have now come out and become separate; I am no longer of the world, even though in it, and therefore, I am not subject to the world's laws. None of these human beliefs is binding upon the child of God, the off-spring of Spirit, which I am. God is the source of my being; God is the activity and the law of my being, and I consciously accept that. I am not subject to man-made laws; I am subject only to grace. Thy grace is sufficient for me.” ~Joel

Rom 8:5

5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

II Cor 12:9 (to :)

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee:

“An intellectual acceptance is still a minding of the flesh. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and accept Omniscience as your inheritance.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 18, 2014

“Let us take every detail of our life - our body, our food, our business, our home - and consciously make this transition: Realize that all these are no longer under the law of human belief, no longer subject to circumstance or change. All that concerns us is supplied from this infinite storehouse within our own being:

‘I have meat to eat that ye know not of. . . . I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.’ From this infinite storehouse, I feed my body; I manage my business; I supply my pocketbook; I maintain my relationship with everyone. Since God is my individual consciousness, It is the substance of my life and It embodies all good. It becomes the law unto my experience, a well-spring of life gushing forth into life eternal. ~Joel

John 4:34 (to 2nd ,)

34 Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me,

“My purpose is His will, my meat, my every need is supplied by Love - the Source of Infinite Supply. The fields are already white with blossoms ready to harvest, a table is set in the wilderness, the many mansions are already built... God is the substance of all form. All I have to do is open out a Way for Grace to Flow out from the Oneness Within.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 19, 2014

“God fulfills Itself as our individual being. If we can lose concern for ourselves, for our welfare, and for our destiny, God takes over and God fulfills Itself by providing us with the necessary wisdom, activity, opportunity, and prosperity that It may be fulfilled on earth as It is in heaven. This earth is only the earth in proportion as we see it as a place other than heaven. Earth becomes heaven to the degree in which we let God fulfill Itself as our individual experience.” ~Joel

(Here is a perfect example: (Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane)
Mark 14:36

36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

“The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness there of. We are included in this infinite abundance, if so be the Spirit Dwell in us. So then, be still and watch with me...” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 20, 2014

“There is only one Selfhood, and that one is God. We entertain a false sense of that Self: We call that false sense Bill, Mary, or Henry, and then we are concerned about Bill, Mary, or Henry. Always there is some problem to plague us: It is the rent; it is the heart; it is the mind; or it is the friend. This will be true as long as there is concern for ourselves. Once we give up concern for this human sense of self and realize that we exist as God fulfilling Itself in an individual way, and that the responsibility is on His shoulder, we relinquish this false sense of responsibility. Then God fulfills Its destiny as individual being. To the world, it may appear that we are healthy, happy, successful, or prosperous; but we know better. Only God is healthy, happy, successful, or prosperous, and the good the world beholds is God fulfilling Itself as our destiny, when we stand aside and permit it to do so.” ~Joel

Luke 21:31

31 So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

“The Kingdom of God is with us now, closer than breathing nearer than hands and feet. Look up to this higher state of Consciousness and rejoice! Loving Loving,” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 21, 2014

“In this God-relationship, we can relax because now all that God is, is permitted to flow into being without the word ‘I’ interfering, the ‘I’ that says: ‘I am not well enough educated; I am not sufficiently experienced; I am too young for this; I am too old for that.’ If there were only God, would there be any lack of education or experience, or any problem of age or youth? To God all things are possible.” ~Joel

Matt 19:23-26

23 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24 And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

25 When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved?

26 But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

“Humans are easily distracted into thinking they are ‘I’.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 22, 2014

“God is the universal mind or intelligence but God is also individual mind or intelligence. Therefore, the nature of our intelligence and capacity is infinity itself. Our mind is unlimited as long as we realize God as its nature, character, quality, and quantity.

We are told to have that mind in us which was also in Christ Jesus. We already have it, but it is necessary to attain a realization of it. It is this mind that transcends our education and experience and uses us for its own purpose, when we come into a conscious realization of it as our individual mind. The attainment of even a degree of this realization sets a person apart. It may lift him out of the ordinary, everyday pursuits of life and make of him a painter, artist, sculptor, musician, poet, religious seer, architect, builder, or a creative worker in one way or another because he is drawing on something greater than himself, something greater than his education or his own experience. Moses, a shepherd of the hills, became the leader of the Hebrew people. Jesus, whom neighbors knew as a carpenter, became the Messiah.” ~Joel

I Cor 2:16 But

16 ... But we have the mind of Christ.

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.

(So, have you been led to study and find the Truth?

Have you an insatiable drive to help your neighbors or serve as God's Instrument?

Have you felt an 'I Am with you' Presence? [This may have been the smallest spark or the greatest earth melting warmth of Knowing. The feeling is His Presence Realized... This Knowing is the Mind of Christ Attained.]

Are you driven to study, practice, heal or teach?

Sing praises, my friends, it's all good! For you are of the few that Be, joint heirs in Christ. Emanuel – God with Us!) ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 23, 2014

“God is infinite consciousness, and God is our mind and our consciousness. Therefore, it is from your consciousness and from mine that the issues of life must come--the activity of supply, the activity of health, harmony, and wholeness. There is no far-off God to bring it to us. The activity of truth in our consciousness appears as the miracle of the cloud by day, the pillar of fire by night, manna falling from the sky, the Red Sea opening, water coming from the rock. God in the midst of us, this I at the center of our being, multiplies loaves and fishes, is our safety and security, even in the midst of war, even in the midst of atomic bombs, even in the midst of hell.” ~Joel

Luke 17:21

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

“I Am the activity of God’s Love appearing.
I Am Peace as it brings Itself to nations.
I Am the Source creating without end.
I Am the Consciousness in my heart.
I Am the Principle of Omnipresence.
I Am the illumination at my feet.
I Am the activity of all Supply.
I Am the Soul of My Being.
I Am the Truth Realized.
I Am the miracle of Life.
I Am Love Loving.
I AM One.
Thou art.”

~AI

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 24, 2014

"I am the Lord, and there is none else. I in the midst of thee am mighty. I in the midst of Moses made the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night. I in the midst of Jesus multiplied the loaves and the fishes and healed the multitudes.

I AM is the Lord; I AM is the Saviour; I AM is God. This I is not the personal sense of selfhood which walks the earth calling itself Bill, Mary, or Henry, and saying arrogantly, 'I am God.' No, it comes as a gentle whisper in your ear and mine: 'Know ye not: I in thee and thou in Me, we are one; I in the midst of thee am mighty.' When we hear that spoken in our ear, when divine intuition within tells us of this Presence, we know that that I is God, 'closer . . . than breathing, and nearer than hands or feet.'" ~Joel

I Kings 19:11-13 (to 2nd ,)

11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake:

12 And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

13 And it was so, when Elijah heard it,

Zech 2:10

10 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord.

"The activity of God is not in the things of this world that we can name – It is in the things of Spirit. It is in the Still Small Voice of My Peace that passeth all understanding – but yet is seen, heard and felt and it is manifest As all things necessary for the Work of God." ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 25, 2014

“This I which is God has made us in Its own image and likeness, has given us Its nature and Its character. It is a Presence that will never leave us nor forsake us. Even if we go through the fiery furnace, this Presence, the Christ, will bring us safely through, so that there will not even be the smell of smoke upon us. Whatever the experience is in life, even ‘in the valley of the shadow of death . . . Thou art with me.’ We find our good in our oneness with God, and our consciousness of the presence of God appears outwardly as our daily supply, as our opportunity, as our clothing, transportation, food, and as every expression of harmony and beauty in life.” ~Joel

Dan 3:23-27

23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.

25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

26 Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, and spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come hither. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

27 And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

“We never walk alone; the Christ is One with us.” ~Al

Merry Christmas to you and your loved ones.

With all our Love,
Al & Beth

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 26, 2014

“All the discords and inharmonies of the world come from the personal sense of ‘I’--from the sense that ‘I’ am the source, or ‘I’ am the doer, or ‘I’ am something or other. But ‘I’ am nothing of myself; the Father is that which I am, and ‘I’ am but the instrument for the Father, the instrument of the Father's glory, the instrument of the Father's life, the lamp through which His light may shine.” ~Joel

John 5:30 (to :)

30 I can of mine own self do nothing:

John 10:30

30 I and my Father are one.

“When we look at our personal self, we can actually be quite capable in our little world, but we are seeing a limited individual person with a feeling of somehow being separated from God. We will eventually be hoping and praying to correct a lack or limitation of some kind.

But, once we are Aware of our Spiritual Self as Infinite, we will intimately Know that we are included in the actual Activity of the Father - equally Infinite, always included in the Omnipresence of God, and never lacking or alone.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 27, 2014

“Rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.’ Rejoice that you have found your identity as a child of God. Rejoice that you have awakened into your heavenly consciousness. If the Spirit takes hold of your hand and begins to write, if the Spirit takes hold of your voice and makes it sing, follow the lead of the Spirit. Until that time, live your normal, natural life, but from morning until night, and night until morning, remember to acknowledge that it is the Infinite Invisible that is producing the harmony, the joy, the peace, and the prosperity of the visible experience. As you persist in this practice, you will make a conscious transition to a place where you will actually feel and know:

I am not living by food alone; I am not living by bread alone. There is another power acting in me. Something other than I is doing the work; I did not consciously plan it; I am not consciously doing it; I did not consciously think of it. A power greater than I is responsible for this.” ~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 transition is: when we stop looking without for answers and watch our good unfold, without effort, exactly as we have need of it. Transition is: when we look out across a crowded room and see only what God sees - individual expressions of God, and not persons or personalities.” ~Al)

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 28, 2014

“I have meat to eat that ye know not of. . . .’ I have bread, wine, water. . . . I am the resurrection. All the power of healing, redemption, and regeneration is within me.

This is the Master's transcendental teaching.

As human beings, we place our reliance on persons and things in the outer world, on education, money, bonds, or investments. That man who has his being in Christ places his entire reliance on Spirit and trusts it to bring forth all that is necessary in the outer realm. Whenever faced with some need or desire, let us realize Spirit as the source of its fulfillment; let us realize Spirit as the law unto it, even the law of multiplication should that be necessary. Then let us go about our business, whatever it may be, taking such human footsteps as may be necessary at the moment. This is living a normal, natural life, but letting the Spirit, the Infinite Invisible, be the law of it, the substance of it, the cause of it, and the harmonious maintainer and sustainer of it. In short, we make no change in our present mode of living, except as the Spirit, Itself, may pick us up and direct us into new activity.”
~Joel

Ps 119:105

105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

“Let us be resolved to: Turn our awareness unto Spiritual Consciousness – and thereby learn to be maintained by it. Keep focused, my friends, on the light of the Christ Message and let it shine on everything we do. And may our new normal be one of harmony and gratitude. Thank you Father... Loving You.” ~al.within

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 29, 2014

“There is a power governing us, caring for us, protecting us, maintaining and sustaining us. We may continue to be active in the business world, in politics, or in the home; but always present is that sustaining influence which goes before us to make the crooked places straight. The sense of personal responsibility and the fear of what man can do to us drop away:

I in the midst of me is mighty; I go before me to make the crooked places straight; I am with me in the deep waters; I am beside me in the fiery furnace.” ~Joel

Ps 23:1

1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Ps 23:4 (to ;)

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;

“I surrender Father. I will follow thee... ..” ~al.within

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 30, 2014

“It is the conscious remembrance of the I, the infinite nature of individual being, which must be continuously practiced.” ~Joel

I Thess 5:17,18 (to :)

17 Pray without ceasing.

18 In every thing give thanks:

“Fact - I am included in the Kingdom of God.

So then, practicing the Presence is an initiating of an ongoing series of gentle reminders.” ~Al

THE DAILY LESSON – DECEMBER 31, 2014

“Fulfillment comes about only as you and I are able to relinquish the personal sense of self, in order that God may fulfill Himself. Let us be ever alert to avoid any egotistical sense that God is fulfilling you or fulfilling me, is doing something for you or for me, or is doing something to you or to me. Spiritual fulfillment means God fulfilling Himself, fulfilling His destiny. Let God be the only presence; let God be the only power; let God be the light. ‘Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.’ God’s glory shines eternally as infinite, individual being.” ~Joel

Ps 24:1

1 The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

“Let our work be to remind ourselves of the nature of our truth of Being. Not to seek healing, or supply, or a correction – but to simply remember that which IS - our true Identity. We are the branch - included in the Omnipresence of God – and not somehow cut off and looking for our good. All that the Father has is mine... I Am individual Being through which God operates.

Thank you Father, Thy Grace is my sufficiency. Thy will be done...” ~AI