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“A Parenthesis in Eternity”

by Joel S Goldsmith

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The Daily Lesson – January 21, 2018

“A PARENTHESIS IN ETERNITY

INTRODUCTION

Somewhere in consciousness there lies a land undiscovered, a land not yet revealed by religion, philosophy, or science. I know that it exists for it continually pushes itself into my awareness. I know that when it discloses itself, it will change the nature of mankind: wars will be no more, and the lamb will lie down with the lion. I know its name, for it is revealed as My kingdom or My grace. Christ Jesus spoke of this Kingdom, but neither the spoken word nor the manuscripts so far discovered have revealed its full significance.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

John 18:36 (to :) (KJV)
36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world:

John 18:37 Jesus (KJV)
37 ...Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

Luke 17:21 (KJV)
21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

“The Door is Open. And so, this Adventure into our Parenthesis begins…” ~Al Denninger
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“In my high moments I have lived and experienced this Kingdom, and sometimes its atmosphere clings to me for days, but then again it eludes me. Sometimes in healings I have witnessed its action, but have caught only glimpses of it. It has shown me the human mind of mankind and its operations, and how men can use the mind for evil purposes as well as for good.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Ps 91:1  (KJV)
1  He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Mark 14:38  (KJV)
38  Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.

“The Kingdom of God never separates Itself from us - but we can inadvertently become distracted into ‘thinking’ that we are somehow separate or apart. The Shepherd will find His lost sheep. Stay Focused… Be Steady… And Dwell. And so, we Practice.” ~Al Denninger
“This spiritual kingdom, this inner world, is as real as the world we see, hear, taste, touch, and smell— if anything, more real. What we become aware of through the senses eventually changes and disappears, but this inner world, these spiritual glories that are revealed to us, these spiritual lights with whom we learn to tabernacle— they never disappear.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Rom 6:23 (KJV)
23 For the wages of sin [accepting the sense-world as reality] is death [finite, limited]; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 12:2 (KJV)
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

I Cor 2:12-14 (KJV)
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.
14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

“The reality of the natural man is not the Reality of the Infinite Kingdom of God. The sense-world dissolves in the Light of Christ Consciousness.” ~Al Denninger
“This is the world the Master Christ Jesus revealed, a Kingdom which exists right here where we are if we will but receive the Spirit of God within us. It is already established here on earth, only awaiting our recognition and realization.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

I Corinthians 3:16  (KJV)
16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

Gen 1:31 (to .)  (KJV)
31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.

“Awake thou that sleepest, for only where the Spirit of the Lord is Realized, is there Liberty. I was with you, I Am with you now and always will be…” ~Al Denninger
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“Finding that Kingdom will in no wise take us out of the world. It will leave us in it, but not of it. We will enjoy all the things that go to make up a full and rich life; we will not become ascetics, but we will no longer desire things or long for them, and even though the riches of life will be a part of our experience, inwardly we will be so free of them that our whole inner being will be lived in and of God.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Matt 6:31-34 (to .) (KJV)
31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?
32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.
33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.
34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself.

“This-world loses its importance in the Light of The Kingdom. And so it is, we Live in this world, but not of it. We stand just a little to one side... Watching God provide everything needed for the Fulfillment of His Life. We stand as a witness to Love Loving.” Al Denninger
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“The mystical world is a real world. It is a world of people and a world of things formed of the illumined or enlightened consciousness. But how do we become the illumined or the enlightened? How do we find this mystical world? What is mysticism?

Mysticism is ‘the experience of mystical union or direct communion with ultimate reality reported by mystics.’ It is ‘a theory of mystical knowledge; the doctrine or belief that direct knowledge of God, of spiritual truth, of ultimate reality, or comparable matters is attainable through immediate intuition, insight, or illumination and in a way differing from ordinary sense perception.’ * [Merriam-Webster’s Unabridged Dictionary, Third International Edition (Springfield, Mass.: G. and C. Merriam Company, 1961)].” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Ex 3:2-4 (KJV)
2 And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.
3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.
4 And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

“Moses’ first Active Experience on the Mountain of God was Real and was certainly differing from ordinary sense perception. This Mystical Experience, and the ones that followed, formed his Enlightened Consciousness that Lifted a whole nation.

The question then is how do we go about this? We must first stop in our tracks and turn off the noise of this-world. Then, surrender all that we have, our thoughts, desires and agendas, and see them as the distraction they are in an Activity of ‘peace be still’ - not the declaration of it... We continue to surrender so all that is left is God’s Will. Then, in an attitude of ‘speak Lord, Thy servant heareth’, we open an Avenue of Awareness. Conscious Union will follow. And so we practice…” ~Al Denninger
“The mystical message of all times is the same. The language and the mode of approach may be different, but the message and goal— the attainment of conscious union with God— never change.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

John 8:32  (KJV)
32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Ex 3:14 (to 3rd ,)  (KJV)
14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel,

John 10:14,15 (to :)  (KJV)
14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.
15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father:
John 10:16  (KJV)
16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

“I Am the substance of all form and consciousness, no matter what approach is taken to reunite with Me, but only Righteous Judgement [Spiritual Consciousness] will prevail. My Sheep hear My Voice, in a Way they can hear it.” ~Al Denninger
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“No one can become a seeker of God in his humanhood, but when God touches a person to some measure of awakening, he is led to some kind of a spiritual teaching. He may remain on that one path to the end of his search, or he may go from teaching to teaching until ultimately he finds that which meets his unsatisfied need and brings him to God-realization. Although revealed in different languages, different terms, and different forms, the inner unfoldment leads unerringly to the one goal.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

John 6:45 (KJV)
45 It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God.

“No matter where we start from, we will be Led to the Truth, and His Word will be a Lamp unto thy feet, step by step, along the Way.” ~Al Denninger
“Nothing can equal the fascination and adventure of the mystical life. It is a life of discovery, discoveries which forever lie ahead of us, never behind. We may have had an experience yesterday that lifted us to the mountaintop, but we cannot live on yesterday’s ‘pearl’ or on yesterday’s manna because the experience of yesterday, regardless of how great and soul-stirring it may have been, is only a preparation for the greater ones that lie ahead. Always there is the challenge of the intangibles awaiting our discovery here and now.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Luke 11:3 (KJV)
3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

Ps 86:11 (to :) (KJV)
11 Teach me thy way, O Lord; I will walk in thy truth:

Psalm 43:3 (KJV)
3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.

“Our Spiritual Journey begins anew each day. Awake in God’s morning with the attitude of opening out a way for The Shepherd to Lead you to the Mountain Top.”
~Al Denninger
“The kingdom of God is without limitation or boundary, and all the truth that has been given to the world in the past thousands of years is but a thimbleful in comparison with what there is yet to be discovered. No one has yet experienced even one-millionth of what has already been revealed.

Can anyone ever reveal the last word of spiritual truth? Can anyone ever penetrate the depths of God? Can anyone ever discover the allness of God? True, the mystics of all ages have given us glimpses of truth, and their words carry conviction because behind the words is the experience itself. But how much of what we have read of spiritual revelation have we actually experienced? How much of it still lies between the covers of a book? How much of it have we actually witnessed? How much truth has come as an inner unfoldment with the renewing strength and power of revelation?” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Ps 147:5 (KJV)
5 Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

Eccl 3:11 (KJV)
11 He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.

John 14:12 (to 2nd ;) (KJV)
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;

“I Am [and You Are] Included in God’s Activities of Omniscience, Omnipotence and Omnipresence. There is an Infinite Kingdom beyond words and thoughts. Love will never stop Loving. Consciousness will never stop expanding. Truth will never stop being Revealed…” ~Al Denninger
“Every aspirant on the spiritual path should be constantly alert for some original revelation of truth. If he is content, however, to dwell merely on words without drawing forth the deeper and richer meanings of which the words are but the symbol, he is not being fed from within, but from the pages of a book. Black ink does not taste good, nor is there any sustenance to be found on the printed page, and those persons who are living on the printed word are going to be just as hungry as those who suffer from malnutrition. The sustaining substance to be found in words, printed or voiced, lies in the truth that can be drawn into consciousness.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

II Cor 3:3-6 (KJV)
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.

John 4:31,32 (KJV)
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.

Ps 25:5 (KJV)
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.

“The Shepherd will Feed His anh ungared sheep. Spiritual pastures Await those Found Watching.” ~Al Denninger
“The truths that are revealed in spiritual literature are seeds planted in consciousness, and if those seeds are planted in an active and fertile consciousness, they spring up and bear fruit; but if they are taken into the sleeping consciousness—the unconscious or dead consciousness, the consciousness that is living on form, ritual, or yesterday's thoughts—they cannot break open, sprout, and mature.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Hos 10:12 (KJV)
12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the Lord, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

“Good ground is Still, Steady and Deep. It is soft, fertile, attentive and will allow itself to be molded by the Creator. We must pick out and discard the stones, thorns and distractions. And so we Practice...” ~Al Denninger
“Every word of truth that we hear or read should be taken into our consciousness as if it were a seed, and there nourished and fed. It should be fertilized with meditation and by pondering and putting it into practice, until in a moment of stillness and silence the seed can break open, take root, and begin to bear fruit.”
~Joel S Goldsmith

Prov 4:20-22 (to ,) (KJV)
20  My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.
21  Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.
22  For they are life unto those that find them,

“Every step we take on our Spiritual Journey has a purpose and is an important Lesson. Be the Fertile Ground for every Realized Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God to take root and prosper.”  ~Al Denninger
“What we read, then, cannot become stale. Always there is the expectancy that the very next paragraph may contain the ‘pearl of great price’ for us. The next paragraph, or the one we read tomorrow, may be the ‘pearl’ to our neighbor or to someone else. There is no such thing as only one ‘pearl.’

The spiritual life is a necklace that would fit around this entire globe — so many pearls are there in it. Every statement of truth is a pearl, every single principle is a pearl, every experience, almost every meditation, is a pearl, if only we search for it deep enough within our own consciousness.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

I Thess 5:17 (KJV)
17 Pray without ceasing.

II Cor 4:16 the (KJV)
16 …the inward man is renewed day by day.

Prov 3:6 (to ,) (KJV)
6 In all thy ways acknowledge him,

“Let us remain in a steady state of readiness and gratitude. Watch with Me. The Kingdom is at hand - closer that breathing, nearer than hands and feet.” ~Al Denninger
“Each grain of truth should be used as a steppingstone or bridge to lead to a deeper awareness, letting more and more truth come to the fore as we travel further and higher. If we are not alert, however, and do not keep the ear and mind wide, wide open to see what lies ahead, it would be the same as trying to cross the ocean in a boat while asleep at the steering wheel.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Rom 11:33 (to !) (KJV)
33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

Eph 5:14 (KJV)
14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead [this-world thought], and Christ shall give thee light.

“God continually Lights our Path. Each and every step is Illumined with the Truth needed to proceed. Keep focused onward in quietness and in confidence. The Journey takes a Lifetime - O, the Depth of Infinity…” ~Al Denninger
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“Spiritual literature and spiritual principles are certainly steppingstones or bridges over which you and I can travel, but they are steps or bridges leading where? Always to our own consciousness! That is the only place where a truly spiritual teaching can ever lead— to our own consciousness.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

John 14:6 (to :) (KJV)
6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life:

Luke 17:21 (KJV)
21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

I Cor 3:16 (KJV)
16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

“I Am the Path,
I Am the Truth,
I Am the Life
and I Am the destination.

And where is that destination?
Within You.”

~Al Denninger
The Daily Lesson – February 6, 2018

“‘God is no respecter of persons,’ and whatever is possible to one is possible to all, but only to those who seek. Seek and find; seek and find; but seek within the realm of your own consciousness. Your consciousness and my consciousness are just as infinite as the consciousness of any spiritual seer, and whatever degree of unfoldment any illumined soul has had, we can have in an equally deep degree. We may not express that Infinity in its fullness, but nevertheless that is the truth about us.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Acts 10:33 Now,34  (KJV)
33 …Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.
34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

Matt 6:8  (KJV)
8 Be not ye therefore like unto them [un-illumined seeking for solutions in this-world]: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

“Scripture, written with the Finger of God, speaks equally to every Conscious seeker. Unconditional Love cannot be withheld or have a favorite. There is no person separate or apart from God’s Omnipresence or Infinite Good. All that the Father has is thine [every individual Expression of God], now and forever.” ~Al Denninger
“Regardless of how much truth reveals itself to us, however, or how many experiences we may have of a spiritual nature, as soon as these have served their purpose, we let them slide out of memory and look forward to the next because the next one will be greater. If we should write a hundred books on truth, or heal a hundred thousand people, let us never believe that we will have come to the end of our consciousness, because our consciousness has a depth far beyond that of the ocean and a circumference greater than that of this entire universe and of all the other universes yet unknown and undiscovered. There is no limit to the depth of our being and the richness of our consciousness, but we must dive deeply into ourselves to bring forth the revelation of the nature of God, and eventually the nature of our own being. Then we shall discover that God is in truth our very being and our very life.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

I Cor 2:9,10  (KJV)
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.

Eph 3:19  (KJV)
19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

“Wherever God Is -
Whatever God Knows -
Whatever God Does -
Wherever God is Realized -
And all that God Is -
I am Included.”
~Al Denninger
The Daily Lesson – February 8, 2018

“To seek, to find, and to experience this inner glow, this inner realization of the Presence, this inner communication with God, and then realize that each time that it is repeated it becomes a deeper, richer experience, and a more fruitful one, so that there can never be an end, or a sense of dullness, monotony, or boredom in it— therein lies the real adventure of the spiritual life.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Jer 29:13,14 (to :) (KJV)
13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.
14 And I will be found of you, saith the Lord:

Col 1:9 and to,10 (KJV)
9 ...and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;
10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

“The Experience of Communion is an Activity of God and the Christ, and We are Included in that Activity. We are of the Spirit ‘if so be’ the Spirit Dwells in us and We in It. You see? This Dwelling in Oneness is the key. The deepness of our Experience is in direct proportion to our commitment to Dwelling, and by doing so, we Know His Will for our Life's Work…” ~Al Denninger
“God is infinite; truth is infinite. It is for us to rise into that Infinity, explore new avenues of truth, open new areas of our consciousness because all this truth is our consciousness, our very own! At one level of consciousness we can bring forth literature, art, inventions, or discoveries. At a deeper level of consciousness we can bring forth spiritual experiences up to, and including, the final one, which is known as the marriage, or union, with God. It all depends on what we are seeking.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Jer 29:13 (KJV)
13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart [Consciousness].

I Cor 2:12 (KJV)
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.

“Look up and open an avenue of Awareness of Oneness…. Seek ye only the Kingdom of God, and come to the Realization that you are Included in Omnipresence.” ~Al Denninger
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“And what is it that we are seeking? Is it merely a healing of some nature? Is it merely more comfort in the human world? Is it merely a little happier companionship or a little more money? It is right to enjoy health; it is right to have an abundance of supply; it is right to have satisfying human companionships. And all these things inevitably do follow, but if they alone are the goal of our search, we are debasing truth. The goal itself is discovering the essence of spiritual wisdom, exploring every corner of the spiritual kingdom, every depth of it, every height of it. Therein lies spiritual adventure.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Matt 6:19 (to ,) (KJV)
19 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth,

Matt 6:33 (to ;) (KJV)
33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God,

Eph 3:17-19 (KJV)
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.

“Dear Friends,

I don’t think I could ever find better directions for our Spiritual Journey than the three passages above, bound together as one Gift.

My Spiritual Journey began as seeking and has evolved into Recognizing…

Love Gives - and Love Recognizes the Gift.

And so it is, I am Loving You,“
~ Al Denninger
“Who knows what great truth will be revealed to us? Who knows what wonderful things lie ahead of us an hour from now? Who knows what startling revelations of truth may come to us? It is marvelous when they come; it is wonderful when they happen, but they cannot come if we permit some particular message to become crystallized in us, or if we go to bed tonight thinking we know the truth or wake up tomorrow morning believing we have reached the ultimate in spiritual wisdom. Every day of the week must be a fresh day. With each day there should always be an inner longing, not to recall or remember something that was revealed the day before, but an acknowledgment of our emptiness and a reaching out: ‘Father, Father! Come, come, reveal Your message! Give me a vision today; let me know You aright; let me go deeper into Your consciousness.’” ~Joel S Goldsmith

I Cor 2:9 (KJV)
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.

Luke 11:3 (KJV)
3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

I Cor 2:10 (KJV)
10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

“First thing in the morning – open an attitude of Expectancy of what the Father will Reveal to me today… What will be given me to do… Let the day continue to unfold in like manner.” ~Al Denninger
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“There are greater truths buried in our consciousness than any that have ever come forth. Just as truth came through a humble shoemaker like Jacob Boehme, so can world-shattering truth come through you or me, and if it does not, it may be because we did not want it as desperately as have the great mystics of the world, or because our interest has been more on the surface of life than in its depths.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Matt 19:16-24  (KJV)
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: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.
18  He saith unto him, Which?  Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,
19  Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
20  The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?
21  Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me.
22  But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.
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.

Matt 11:25 (KJV)
25  At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

“If our desires are distracted on the surface – endlessly needing, reasoning, possessing, and wanting – where in limited sense can the Infinite Kingdom of God fit in? It can’t. We may catch a spark of Truth every now and then… But, if we rest, surrender, watch and listen, faithfully and completely, as a little child trusting his Mother, being with Her for no other reason than just because we Love Her, we can become open enough to re-cognize our Spiritual Birthright and See into the Depths of Truth. And so it is, we let go of the surface and Follow Christ Deep Within.” ~Al Denninger
“Sometimes students who have been studying for only a year write me of their dissatisfaction, disappointment, and even discouragement over their lack of unfoldment and progress. Often my response is, ‘In just a year, just a year? There are another thousand million years ahead of you, and no one is ever going to accomplish the transition from that ‘man, whose breath is in his nostrils,’ to the man who has his being in Christ merely by studying or meditating for a year.’ If the kingdom of God were that easily attained, everyone would attain it. But how few have done so!” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Rom 5:1-4  (KJV)
1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;
4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

Josh 1:9  (KJV)
9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

Phil 3:14  (KJV)
14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Dear Friends,
I have been studying and meditating since the early 1970’s – over 40 years. The first 20 years, I was merely drawn like a moth to a Light flickering. The next 10 years with great fervency. I’ve been quietly Healing and Teaching for only the last 10 or so… Each day there is another Assurance that makes me Look up with the greatest Gratitude, because I surely know that I of mine own self, can do nothing… The Father doeth the Work and keeps me Steady.

Few there be that start this great undertaking, much less stay with it. Have Patience, Focus, Confidence, and effortless persistence.” ~Al Denninger
“Make no mistake, this is the most difficult of paths; this is the most difficult life there is. It is far easier for a person to become a Croesus with fabulous wealth or to attain great fame than to succeed in attaining the spiritual life. It is far easier to accomplish anything in the human world than in the spiritual because in the spiritual world you and I are called upon to ‘die’ before we can attain what we are seeking.

The spiritual life is not gained by giving up smoking or drinking or the eating of meat, or by studying for a few years, or by attending church or classes. If only it were that easy! The Kingdom is attained by ‘dying daily.’ Every day of the week, as a part of our involvement in the life of the Spirit, we must see to it that some trace of humanhood either leaves us or is sent about its business. Every problem must be viewed as an opportunity to rise above whatever the situation may be, and if that sounds too difficult, it is better not to begin. But if there is a drive in us that compels us to go forward, then we must be patient and persist until we do attain.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Matt 16:24,25 (KJV)
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.

I Cor 15:31 I die (KJV)
31 … I die daily.

“You have been given an opportunity. What say you?” ~Al Denninger
The Daily Lesson – February 15, 2018

“Attainment is possible to everyone who sets out on this spiritual adventure, and it is possible without price—except the one great price. There is a price: ‘Sell all that thou hast.’ That is the price, and it is paid in the coin of our devotion. It is the price the Master demanded of his followers when he told them, ‘He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me . . . . Sell all that thou hast . . . . Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.’ From this we can understand how difficult spiritual attainment is and why our progress is slow, and we will not complain. We will be satisfied, realizing that if the followers of Jesus in his day had to walk those steps, so do we.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Mark 1:16-18 (KJV)
16 Now as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
17 And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.
18 And straightway they forsook their nets, and followed him.

Matt 10:37-39 (KJV)
37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.
38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.
39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

“The Christ is Knocking at the door right now… Will you open up and Let Him into your Heart?’
And now the next step – will you leave your nets no matter what?........

Walk with Me – and we will be Satisfied.” ~Al Denninger
The Daily Lesson – February 16, 2018

“But although we may plumb the depths to the limit of our capacity and fail to reach the goal, the search is still worthwhile, even if we have to go on for years and years and years believing that we are not making any progress. The truth is that with every effort, with every expedition, with every search, with every meditation, we are moving slowly and inexorably toward the goal of all life—union with God.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Luke 12:32 (KJV)
32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Ps 23:3 he (KJV)
3 ...he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

“Be not afraid. Walk on... The Path is the Activity of Love Loving. It is Holy Ground. Take off your shoes and Feel the Love.” ~Al Denninger
The Daily Lesson – February 17, 2018

“Problems and circumstances affect the lives of different people in different ways. They can make or break a person, or they can leave him where they found him. There is nothing tragic or disgraceful about being broken or about being a failure, nothing at all. A person who fails has tried, usually very hard, and there is a satisfaction in that, and there is a hope in it because if a person continues to try, he can never be kept down, and even though he may be broken, he will rise up again. The tragedy, if there is one, or the disgrace, lies in being willing to go on day after day, waking up in the morning and going to bed at night, and being nowhere tomorrow that he was not yesterday.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Matt 6:33,34 (to .) (KJV)
33  But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.
34  Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself.

“Seek God – not effect. Be grateful for the opportunity to Practice the Presence and keep moving Forward on your Path. God is not going anywhere…” ~Al Denninger
“Think of the unlimited opportunities there are in every large metropolitan area for gaining a knowledge and appreciation of the great art, literature, music, religion, and natural sciences of the world, and then think of the thousands of aimless people walking the streets of those cities without even being aware of these opportunities, and more often than not, not even caring. There is tragedy!

Is it not the same, only more so, with any truly spiritual teaching or message? Are there not countless people in the world who are exposed time and time again in some manner or by some means to truth, and yet who pass ‘by on the other side’? That is sad because finding a spiritual message could and should be the beginning of a life of adventure. True, it does not always happen that way. It could even leave us where it found us. It cannot break us— that it could never do— but it can make us, and it should open life to spiritual joy and excitement, to seeking and finding. It should spur us to turn round and round and then to start all over again to see how much further we can go on this Path.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Luke 10:30-34 (KJV)
30 And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.
31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.
32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.
33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,
34 And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

“In our lifetime, we will be given countless opportunities to be Love Loving – in this-world and also As an Instrument of God. When we are Invited by Christ we must Follow here and now, and not put it off.

There will always be appearances of inharmony to those distracted by a sense of separation from God. There is always a screaming of mis-information if we choose to plug into it. The appearance is fed by our participation. [for example, the serpent in the Garden of Eden...]

That has nothing to do with God and His Infinite Activity of Love Loving. When we, as the Activity of Truth and Love, Rise above this misinformation, we Actually See and Feel the Truth of Omnipresence. We simply don’t plug into the appearance because we Know the Truth, that Is, and Was and ever will Be.

And so we Practice and Walk in Oneness, with Those who do likewise.” ~Al Denninger
The Daily Lesson – February 19, 2018

“There is no God out here in space. The God there is, is hidden within us, waiting for each one of us to discover for himself. We do not have to go any place in time or space. The spiritual journey, the greatest of all adventures, is not made in time or space. It is a journey in consciousness — and this journey no one can make for us.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Luke 17:21 (KJV)
21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

John 4:24 (KJV)
24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Mark 12:30 (to :) (KJV)
30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength:

Matt 5:8 (KJV)
8 Blessed are the pure in heart [Consciousness]: for they shall see God.

“Your Spiritual Journey is Within. Rest back, open your heart and begin…” ~Al Denninger

This concludes our study of the Introduction of the book “A Parenthesis in Eternity”.
Tomorrow we begin “Part 1, The Circle of Eternity, The Basics of Mysticism.” Chapter 1, entitled “The Two Worlds”. 