

All my life I have been meeting people,
who remind me of fish in the ocean---asking,
“Where can I find something to drink?”
They are surrounded by it, living in it,
and not accepting it, recognizing it, or experiencing it.
Can you imagine Cosmic Intelligence having any questions about tomorrow?
It knows!
It is certain in its own wisdom.
There is such a wisdom that is innate in your life.
--- Fletcher A. Harding

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BUILDING FAITH

Fletcher A. Harding - (An Excerpt)

... Someone once asked me, “How is it that so many so-called intelligent people are atheists?”

Most of the bright, intellectual people in the world who are professed atheists are not atheists in a significant sense of the word. They are only atheists if one is thinking about religion in terms of *traditional theology*.

If your bright friend who is an atheist would describe to you the God that he does *not* believe in you would probably agree with him and not believe in *that* kind of God either.

Usually his ideas are based upon the concept of an anthropomorphic God (thought of as having human form or human attributes) and a complete contradiction to the essential principle of life---a punishing, angry God.

However, in the light of Jesus’ teaching, “God is Love;” and in the light of the Old Testament teaching, “God is the Law of Life;” ask the one who says he is an atheist if he believes in the law of cause and effect. If he says he does not believe in this law, hand him a hammer and tell him to hit his thumbnail!

All of a sudden the subject will become very vivid in his experience.

The whole of religion is moving into a new concept of validity. No longer do we have the *Green Pastures* style of God, sitting on a throne, keeping His ledger.

People have spent two thousand years making vices out of their virtues and have thought that a sense of religiousness comes from acting “holier than thou.” When we get around to a more affirmative approach to religion, things begin to come alive to us, and this is especially appropriate to the subject of faith.

Some people would say that they have a lot of faith; others, that they have a little bit of faith. *No one needs more faith than he already has.*

I do not think that faith is something that we acquire. There is no place where you can buy a package of faith. I think faith is a little bit like energy. We live in a whole universe of energy; but it does not mean a thing to us until we move, the instant we move, energy becomes terribly personal.

Let us consider the subjects of *involution* and *evolution*. Everyone knows about the theory of evolution, but many people do not know about involution. Involution is the process of Mind making something out of itself, using its own properties to become form. Considering God as the ultimate of creation, we can perceive that all of us are involuted expressions of the divine fact of Life. Everybody is something that God did, working with Its own substance, Its own blueprint, Its own craft.

If you want to impersonalize it,
make it a little less theological,
let's put it this way:

Everybody is something that Life did---
had enough intelligence to know how to do
and enough power to do it right.

We are individualized expressions of what Life is.

Oriental teachings tell us that we lived before we ever got to this life and that, in a sense of the world, we had a choice of coming in or not; but just for the sake of illustration, assume with me that we had no choice coming into this experience.

Suppose that this is where it all begins. Life moved in such a fashion as to bring together the organization of cellular structure and intellectual function, with all of the mystery and the magnificence of the miraculous that goes to make up the human being; something knew how to do this and something did it.

An Intelligence that is inherent in the very nature of life has enough sense to know how to make roses out of rose seeds instead of onions out of cabbage seeds.

There is an integrity involved in the wisdom of life.

... I am reasonable enough to assume that Mind, having once worked this way, did not desert me; that it is the sustaining force of my life.

The Scriptures are filled with confirmation of this:

Jesus said, "Of myself I can do nothing, it is the Father within which doeth the works;"

from the Old Testament, "I am the Lord that healeth thee;" "the law of God in the heart of man."

All of these wonderful Statements of the spiritually illumined simply tell us that each is a product of an

involutionary process that goes on in the evolution "hangover" that we call "living every day."

If this be solvent---
and I can only say that it is demonstrable---
then faith becomes not something that I need to get,
but the very nature of the life I live,
the wisdom of God that is inherent in my experience,
the wisdom of God that is a part of my daily enterprises.

Faith is not something that is the product of my belief, for my belief is based upon conditioning and education.

Faith is indigenous to the wisdom of God
as a generic proposition.

It is inside of us, functioning all of the time.

Another way of saying this
is that life is essentially affirmative,
that change is an absolute
and increase is an attendant law.

Life is going to change every day and it is going to change in terms of increase.

This is why the Bible says,
"The rich get richer and the poor get poorer."

That is not a statement of condemnation.

It is an observation of principle: the increase.

If one's consciousness is tuned in to the affirmative of life, then the affirmative of life keeps pushing him down that street and things get better. That is the way it should be. That is what faith is.

We do not need to acquire any more faith. The secret is to use whatever faith we have.

*Is it not amazing
that we believe in the principle of abundance
and worry about famine?
Is it not amazing
how often we make our affirmative declarations,
that life is good and God is mindful of everything,
and yet are quietly convinced
that every next generation is "going to the dogs"?
How often do we say,
"Our Father who art in Heaven,"
and talk about the supreme Intelligence
that is the government of the universe,
and then wonder if the country is "going to pot"?*

Why do we not live in a state of expectation of good?

We live in a world of people and are bombarded by an environment of negation; and we must learn how to handle this, handle it with privilege, even a sort of *divine* privilege.

**ENTHUSIASM:
The Divine Fire (an excerpt)**

John Seaman Gurns

**Definition of enthusiasm (root meaning)
by the Greeks:**

the breath of the gods breathed into man.

If those around us are not making some specific contribution to the joy in living, to the overall good, then we have a choice. We can choose either to damn the circumstances in which we live---the government presence or the personality presence, or we can choose to think behind appearance and discipline our minds to a place where we live in a chronic state of expecting the best from them.

Sometimes we may be disappointed, but in general it keeps us in tune with the affirmative. People do not always do wonderful things, but this attitude keeps the wonderfulness there.

Expect wonderful things for the country. Those who succumb to its problems will go under; those who do not, will not. It is as simple as that.

The ones who operate out of the faith of Life as it knows itself to be, as a Principle of Increase, will continue to have abundance, no matter whether there is inflation or not. Remember that hoarding will shut off any chance of your living the abundant life. Take it as it comes, with the inner knowledge that there is a Wisdom that caused you to be and that knows how to prosper you. That is faith; and as you act upon it in daily enterprises, it is like a muscle; it gets stronger every time you use it.

Usually people think of faith as sitting around waiting for the heavens to open and shower great blessings on them. It is not that way. Faith is a product of our intelligent cooperation with life. Then we incorporate all of its affirmatives and all of its increase and our changes become growth, not restriction. Let it all begin right here.

(Dr. Fletcher Harding was a well-known minister and founder of Encino Community Church, Tarzana, CA – Article – *Building Faith* – 1977).

**Our concept of eternity is,
incorrectly,
related to TIME.**

In reality, only when we accept that all things are now living unto eternity--- and not unto time--- can we witness the beginning of creation.

Only when we cease thinking, speaking, and acting as if the body--- or anything possessed by us--- belongs to time and is dependent on place, shall we have ceased talking about *death*.

Only then, shall we cease planning for the grave.
---Malinda E. Cramer.

Does not true enthusiasm give to us powers that seem superhuman? Enthusiasm encourages us to transcend ourselves, to overleap former levels of attainment, and so accomplish that which before has been impossible to us. We know that such accretions of power are not due merely to emotional excitement; they bring new ideas, give fresh creative alertness, steady the mind, and open the whole being to new reserves of power.

Without enthusiasm life is dull, the body is heavy, the eyes are lacking in luster and flash. With enthusiasm, how magically personality comes across to us. There are certain people who, by merely stepping into a room, give to everyone present a heightened consciousness. If they are able to back up this radiant power of personality with fine intelligence and a reinforcement of genuine creativeness, how wonderful they seem!

That is, of course, what each one of us desires for himself; not a mere burst of nervous excitement which often passes for enthusiasm, but a wordless deliverance of high purpose, elevated ideals, and a conviction that there is always power within man which can meet and conquer every condition objective to the self.

Almost every creative work that has made a genuine contribution to civilization has been delivered in this fire of enthusiasm. No wonder, then, that it has been called "the divine fire." It is an inner emanation, quite as tangible as fire itself, and far more powerful, for it stimulates creative thought and so pours out new ideas, helpful inventions and original works of art which are recognized by society as genuine contributions to its comfort and happiness. Those who have thus done things for the world have always worked with a tremendous fire of belief in the things they had to do or say, and in a conviction that deep within them, in spite of difficulties and limitations, even sometimes in spite of the pulls of bodily weakness and the hindrances of the lower personality, the free creative self must inevitably speak through.

This creative instinct in us is often lifted into the realm of genius, allowing us to transcend limitations and speak the absolute Word. When we thus recognize our "genius" as due to the promptings of the God-person within us, we become aware of ourselves as a part of the Mind of the Son of God, which in each of us is forever calling, demanding outlet, expression, creative outpouring. Those who obey its call and dare to pour out the fire as they are prompted by the God within, transcend themselves and speak their word to their own age.

Do you remember the scene in Maeterlink's "Blue Bird" in which, in the land of unborn children, the little ones are waiting to be born? Each carries in his hand that which is to be his contribution to civilization---a machine, a book, a statue, a new service to mankind; and each is eager to be born into the world that he may deliver his gift to his fellowmen.

Once we are born, however, we all too often forget what this gift was that we were once so eager to deliver. Were it not for the fires of enthusiasm which well up within us, we might altogether miss the joy of giving of our supreme gift. Such failures to speak our word, that we do sometimes forget, or that we allow the calls of the body and the limitations of the material life to distract us until the divine gift is forgotten, the fires burn low, and the soul goes out of life without delivering its inner gift to the world is among the greatest tragedies of human life---lost opportunity.

We need this fire to convince us that something within us is greater than anything that can happen to us. Until we are thus inspired we are constantly made to bow to the inhibitions of the earth self. ... We are always reciting the situations that stopped us, as though they were genuine reasons for our failures, instead of being mere alibis for our lack of enough enthusiasm to transcend limitation. ... Remember an alibi is just our own false interpretation of the power of the material world, plus the confusion and fear bred by our own impotence; which all adds up to a lack of real enthusiasm, the divine fire. ... That "I" of yours and mine is alive with the creativeness of God, and you and I should be forever lifting our minds to know that the down-pouring, which inevitably follows this realization---will mean, not only new life and new love, but new ideas, possibilities and powers for co-creating with the Infinite One! ...

What is this enthusiasm? It is the call of Divine Mind from a higher level, regarding some purpose

that the individual has come into life to fulfill. Once we begin to obey the inner call, we find ourselves untrammelled---completely free. Emerson's idea that your way is truly open only in one direction is the experience of anyone who will listen for guidance from within.

Those who have done great things have followed this inner prompting. It has grown from simple desires, which thrust the ideal into the focal point of action, until enthusiasm burned high enough to make it succeed. You remember Robert Louis Stevenson often said, "The doctors have condemned me to death every year for more than twenty years; yet I live on---live on enthusiasm and the grace of God." The grace of God---yes that was it! The down-pouring of God toward him, which Robert Louis Stevenson was devotional enough to accept; and thus the creative outpouring of the divine fire, served for many years to keep in the stream of vivid life in that frail body.

Stevenson was not unlike Charles Dickens, who often said, "When my characters take possession of me I can't say them nay; they drive me and I dare not rest until I have told their story." He should have looked haggard and worn when the book was finished, if the ordinarily accepted laws of nature had held over him, but his enthusiasm was a torch that burned bright, supplying life from an invisible spiritual source.

When Victor Hugo received the first great inspiration to write "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" he found the surge of enthusiasm so great that he took his clothes and gave them to the butler saying, "Lock my clothes up, I don't want to get out of the room until I finish this story." Consequently the woe of that enthralling tale was written practically at one sitting. What a wonderful thing to be "Possessed" -- possessed by the right kind of creative ideal-- possessed by the divine fire of enthusiasm regarding some inner urge of the Spirit.

**Why aren't we all this possessed?
What hinders us?
Why don't more of us have some
obsessive ideal from the deep Self?**

We allow very trivial things to hinder us. If we are to escape the shallows of life, we must daily listen at the doorway of the inner spirit, and respond with the whole being when the call comes.

Ruskin once said, "Most of the works of pictorial art, at least the greatest, have been done by youth." Youth, to Ruskin, was the very spirit of art. If one goes through much of the literature of art and poetry, one finds this observation true. You will remember that Byron and Raphael both died in their thirty-seventh year and yet we observe what a legacy they left the world. Byron, with his rebellious spirit of poesy and all his blundering adventures with life, and Raphael with his immortal murals-- were both through at thirty-seven.

Poe burned himself out at thirty-eight; yet with all his dissipation he had the enthusiasm to leave to us a great legacy. Remember too that Newton, in quite another field, made the discovery of most of his basic principles before he was twenty-five; the rest of his life was used in working them out and proving the truth of his inspiration. Keats died at twenty-five, and Martin Luther at this same age had already started the reformation. Chatterton, England's greatest poet of the spirit, was through in his twenty-first year.

It would be most discouraging to compare ourselves with these flaming geniuses; yet did not you too have your dreams in youth? With us the fires were not encouraged to burn so fiercely, or else we did not have the courage to follow the inner gleam; but it was there in greater or lesser degree, in all of us. ...

**Though this spontaneous urge
is often greatest in youth,
enthusiasm is an eternal flame!**

It is ageless and deathless, though it may be overlaid by discouragement and cynicism till it seems to die. Those who have not forgotten to listen to the inner voice often get their greatest inspirations and do their finest work in maturer years. Gladstone, at eighty, was still Prime Minister; Humbolt had just completed his masterpiece on "Cosmic Science" at ninety. At eighty-one you remember, Benjamin Franklin was sent as United States Minister to France, following the French Revolution; and when he came back at eighty-five, was for three consecutive terms made governor of Pennsylvania, holding the office till he was ninety-one. Then with the fire of youth still burning, he said, "I could go on another term, but I don't want to take it away from some younger man who might do the job better."

**What makes people young in old age?
Enthusiasm!**

It is merely that this burning fire is still alive, for age is not a matter of years at all. In youth that which most often keeps the fires alive is instinctive feeling; but in later life we are likely to realize, with truer motive, that we have much of God-in-us yet to give.

Some people will say, "Well, I had that enthusiasm once, but no one realizes what I have gone through. The trials I have endured have put out the fires." However, a very great Master has told us that "he that is within is greater than he that is in the world."

The real source of the highest enthusiasm is found in meditation and prayer. To be anchored mentally in the omnipresent Reality, is to lose the fears and inhibitions of the little self, and to be empowered by the Infinite.

That is why you and I need to keep our enthusiasm burning, by holding ourselves in the awareness of sonship. The cares of the outer world will smother enthusiasm, will dampen our ardor and spoil our ideals, unless the power from within, kindled by our knowledge that God in us is greater than anything without, keeps our fires aglow. Know afresh daily that the love of God in you makes you dynamic, radiant, and creative; and that you as the child of God can speak the Word--the truth of your very being. If we have this realization, no matter what the obstacles, nothing shall daunt us.

We become *living Words* of the most-high God.

"It will take new men (and women) to make a new world, and the pattern for these new men was established long ago by the one they called the Prince of Peace."

---Roswell Barnes

**Does the fish soar to find the ocean?
Does the eagle plunge to find the air?**

---Francis Thompson
The Kingdom of Heaven

Why do we struggle to find God?

**The purpose of Prayer is not to change God, but
to change ourselves.**

God does not need changing.

---Nona L. Brooks 5

STUDIES in DIVINE SCIENCE

Mrs. C. L. Baum
(Final Chapter)

Guidance for Realization.

HOW TO GIVE A TREATMENT.

Sit quietly and dismiss as far as possible, all thought regarding external appearances.

In order that our thought may be concentrated, we close our eyes and give ourselves up to the conscious realization of the Divine Presence everywhere.

First we recognize the One that is Omnipresent as perfect Substance and Life.

Next we see this One that is all, as the Substance, Life, Health, and Strength of the individual who, not knowing the truth of his own Divine Nature, needs to be awakened.

Third we see the unreality, the untruth and the delusion of all sickness, disease, sorrow, and sin.

Last we declare the truth for him until fully conscious of it in our own thought, and finally we rejoice and give thanks that he was whole and well even before we spoke the healing word, and our patient had needed only to awaken to the truth to be conscious of it for himself.

THREE LAWS OF MIND.

The first law of Mind is a law of normal, natural, harmonious, and perfect action unto every organ of my body.

The second law of Mind is a law of life, health, strength, power, wholeness, harmony, and perfection unto me, into my body, unto all that is included in my body.

The third law of Mind is a law of elimination of all erroneous beliefs and the retention of all truth concerning my body. These laws are being enforced in and through me now.

MEDITATION FOR AN INCREASED REALIZATION OF TRUTH.

I am that Spirit which is Immortal.
I am that Peace which is Freedom.
I am that Health which is Changeless.
I am that Wisdom which is Perfect.
I am that Nature which is Harmony.
I am that Life which is Eternal.
I am that Law which is Order.
I am that Activity which is equal to every demand.
I am that Success which is Prosperity.
I am that Supply which is Abundance.
I am that Love which is Conscious Unity.
This is the Truth of my Divinity and knowing this Truth makes me free.

REALIZATION OF MAN.

God is all there is, both Unmanifest and Manifest. The Truth of the Unmanifest is the Truth of the Manifest.

Man, the Perfect Manifestation of God, has no material body and no physical life.

Born of God, His form is Spirit Substance; his life is the Eternal Ceaseless activity of the Creative Power within him.

His experiences are wholly mental and are changed from discord to Harmony as he learns the Truth of himself.

He sees the world about him according to his erroneous beliefs or his Knowledge of Truth.

He is ever unfolding into the fuller vision of Truth, into more realization of Love which is his true nature and into full consciousness of Wholeness and Perfection which is his Eternal State of Being.

REALIZATION OF THE PERFECT BODY.

Divine Intelligence creates and maintains my body in Perfect Integrity.

Divine Life vitalizes and establishes my body in Perfect Health.

Divine Love opens and expands every channel of my body in Perfect Freedom.

I do not make these Laws.

I cannot break them.

I can only recognize and become conscious of their Perfect action through me.

REALIZATION OF THE SPIRIT.

Moving upon and within all creation is the Invisible, Silent Infinite, and Changeless Spirit of Wisdom, Power, and Love.

This Spirit, with its ceaseless creative activity, is bringing Form into expression out of its own Substance.

This Spirit is not mesmerized or influenced by human beliefs or opinions. Its creation is like unto itself, pure, perfect, and harmonious.

As I, the Individual, realize this Truth, I perceive that my body, coming into existence through the External Law of Divine Expression, is at peace with its Source and is now perfect and complete. So let it be.

MEDITATION ON HEALTH.

The Spirit within me is Wholeness, Health, and Perfection. This Spirit, all pervading, is not disturbed by my feelings or my sensations. It is the only reality, and that which I call thought is the vehicle for its conscious expression.

My body does not give me health or refuse me health. Health is established forever as the Divine and 6

Perfect State of every expression of God. I am now conscious of this Truth, and in thought and word acknowledge only Health as the Reality of my body.

MEDITATION ON UNDERSTANDING.

God hath not given me a Spirit of fear; for I am the Spirit of Love, and of Power and I have the Sound Mind. I express in perfect intelligence; for the Inspiration of the Almighty gives me understanding for every need. In my Divine nature all Truth is understood and it is normal and natural for me, the expression of God, to bear witness to the Truth of my Divinity. My body does not hinder or retard the expression of Truth, Power, or Love. The fullness of all Good is mine now and I realize it and it is made manifest in all my affairs.

TREATMENT TO RELIEVE ANY SICKNESS.

Mrs. Fannie B. James.

The image and likeness of God can not be sick.

My dear sister, brother, friend, this that you are calling sickness---and you call it this because the world calls it so---has no true place in you, nor any power over you. The Truth has made you free---the Truth that God is the Only real Presence and the Only true Power. Sickness and suffering can not dwell in that Presence. You live in that Presence and are one with it. That perfect Presence is your Mind, your Life and your Substance. In it you are perfect now and you know this is true for this Presence gives you knowledge. There is none beside God.

You are one with God in your Mind, your thought and your body. The Divine Presence keeps the whole of you within its loving Power and nothing can make you afraid. Everything comes from God; therefore no sin or sickness can come to you. Not even a belief of these can come into your thought. You are free now. You are well now and you know this is true.

REALIZATION FOR PROSPERITY.

Mrs. Anna L. Palmer.

Let the Individual turn to the fact of the All Good, realizing the truth that within the All Good he is contained.

Sit for a few minutes and quietly dwell upon this fact, knowing that the realization of Truth brings into visibility all fullness.

For definite knowledge of supply say often:

"I am that Life which God is and of His fullness have I already received."

Deny firmly the belief and opinion that you can lack anything, and declare consciously, "The substance for all my needs is not with me." Begin daily to realize the wonderful gift of God's Power in you as a center of activity.

Know within your self the Power to accomplish through your own talents a perfect and definite work.

Praise for your blessings---praise hourly and daily and "forget not all His benefits."

Know that it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom and believe the Kingdom of God is at hand and Now is the appointed time.

REALIZATION FOR HEALTH.

Mrs. Josephine L. Preston.

That you may prove to yourself that God is Health in your body, practice in your Silence the following statements:

The great All-knowing presence of God is Omnipresent Perfection. Health is the changeless state of this Perfect Presence---its Substance, Activity, and Nature actually expressing me now. Every moment I am renewed in its abundance of Life. All habits of unrest and anxiety are dissolved in the perfect loving Now. My thoughts are health thoughts. My words are health words. My wholeness is in God. I consciously co-operate with the highest I know. I do not watch the body. I trust God to unfold it in its own perfect way. God is living me now. God is strengthening me now. God is manifesting me now. God is healing me now.

THOUGHTS UPON SELF.

Rev. Charles Edgar Prather.

I am the living expression of God, created in His image and likeness. I see my Self in its purity, peace, and power, without spot or blemish. I am joyous and free, basking in the sunlight of His love. I am strong and powerful, filled with the activity of Life. I am wise, receiving the illumination of Spirit. I am a radiating center of Life, Love, Joy, Prosperity, Health; for God is the Source and Substance of my being. My thought of personality is now supplanted with the true thought of my being the Individual Expression of God, for the "Father within me, He doeth the works."

MY WISH FOR YOU.

I wish you health and harmony;

I wish you peace and joy;

I wish you strength and happiness

And wealth without alloy.

I pray the inner grace may shine

Through all you do and say;

And more than all, I pray that Love

May guide you on your way.

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FAITH Cramer's Way

"Faith is divinely manifested everywhere in nature just as all living are Divine by virtue of their Source being Divine." Faith in Divine Omnipresence knows the Source is principle, code, or system of the way things are, and not a law giver. I wake up every morning knowing plants grow to face the sun, water seeks its lowest level, moss grows in the shade, and I am co-essential with this natural perfect order.

"Suppose you would cast your old faith away, and try this new and living faith. Then put all your confidence in good and none in evil and put your trust in Spirit, as the All Wise directing her creations and dealing justly with her own." In the realm of consciousness Spirit organizes experience according to expectation. Believing in One Good Power Principle lets you rest in perfect assurance that everything you need is right now being provided, and that you are right now being guided to all that you can be. This is the faith of those who have "cast away" their old faith in two powers or a human-like something that could be changeable. Spirit, All Wise, forms and shapes subconscious beliefs and desires, and even when what appears does not fit the desire, trust that Spirit Principle is working beyond limited human consciousness. Like children we sometimes want what is not really good for us, a dozen cookies is too many.

"Faith is the very nature of Life---the very law of our being." This faith en-codifies the universe, the very organism that we call our body, and every ecosystem on our planet. One wisdom one substance here, now and everywhere present is one both creature and principle.

"There is no mortal self; there is no mortal body, no mortal mind, or man. No mortality whatever. The substance composing my body is Life Eternal. The idea of its form is eternally perfect in Omnipresence. I am resting in the All Good, now. I am in an ocean of Love. A river of Life flows me. Error has no claim upon me---it has no claim in Truth." All we perceive with our senses is the idea of substance and form. The source and system of that idea/substance, Omnipresence, is beyond our comprehension, but sensing it all about us, in us, as us, is the faith that gives that substance form and motion experientially.

Quotes taken from M.E. Cramer, Divine Science and Healing

---Mary P. Rezendes, Minister at large

Death Opens a New Door

No sane person welcomes death unless experiencing great distress in the physical body. Death, however, is the manner in which we enter into another *—more wonderful—* dimension of LIFE. Death is a graduation into one of God's "many mansions." As with all graduations it is necessary to give up the lesser to experience the greater.

Tagore wrote, "Man is immortal; therefore he must die endlessly. For life is a creative idea; it can only find itself in changing forms."

One of the basic laws of physics is that energy cannot die – it only can change form. Hence, death is the manner in which our real self moves into the many mansions (dimensions) of God's Universe.

Milton wrote, "Death is the golden key that opens the palace of eternity."

What has just been written may not make sense to those undergoing the recent loss of a loved one's *physical being*. However, it is the death (*change*) of the *physical* which we are mourning. We miss those who have died in their physical – our present – dimension. As we recognize that their real selves moved into the next dimension, however, we can find great joy; and we know that they are only a thought away. Through thought we can move into a new dimension at any time thus we still have access to those who have graduated (which we call death).

Joseph Murphy wrote, "When you pass into the next dimension of life, you will see and be seen. You will recognize loved ones. You will possess all your faculties as an individual."

We should realize that prayer – *higher thought* – gives us access to all our loved ones – dead or alive – at all times.

Job asked, "If a man dies, shall he live again?" The answer is that God is Life and Life cannot die – the law of Physics: energy (LIFE) cannot die – only change form. Of course, death is not only the end of the physical but also the start of living in a new dimension. Of course, we will miss that physical being, who has departed through death – but we must remember that it is only the physical which has disappeared and not the real being. The real being is now in a different dimension and being ushered into that new life by many who have known and cared for the being while on earth. The so-called dead are being greeted just as when born into this dimension – they were cared for by mothers, fathers, and other relatives and friends. 8

We say a prayer that the transition into that new dimension is joyful at all times. We give thanks for a productive life in the new frequency they are in. We give thanks for life which is eternal. Death makes great, good sense when we accept that it is a graduation and a happy time for the individual having the experience. We rejoice for all graduations in our physical world so, too, we should rejoice over the greatest graduation that all will have. Remember, death opens a new door – to a higher frequency than we currently know. Some who are my age will remember when FM radio came along. Previous to that we only had known AM. The FM frequency was always there - just waiting for someone to reveal it. Just so, death operates at a frequency of which we only have a slight awareness, but through prayer and meditation all can and will be revealed.

—**Dr. Jack H. Holland**
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He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

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

Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and for the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust [take refuge]: his truth *shall be thy* shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicker.

Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;
There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways;
They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the dragon [serpent] shalt thou trample under feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

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