

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM JOEL (5/4/19)<sup>1</sup>

**Q: “You have said in your writings that supply is one of the easiest demonstrations for a spiritual student to make. Why?”**

**A:** Well, for this reason. Once an individual has been touched by the Spirit, they no longer have a responsibility for supply, nor a concern. The experience results in this: *“I live yet not I, Christ liveth my life.”*<sup>2</sup> Therefore, from the moment of the spiritual experience it is as if we were living at ... Well, let us say it is 8:20 p.m. here and now, and that all that we are responsible for is to do what has been given for us to do. For me that means to be a transparency through which a message is to come. For you it is to be a transparency for receiving, and then later expressing, this message. And that’s all that we are responsible for as long as we are sitting in this room. So we have no responsibility for supply. We have no responsibility for health. We have responsibility only for sitting here and fulfilling our function.

Yes, but then we leave here and we go to our homes and find something for us to do. It may be a family obligation. It may be that when I get to my room there will be a telephone call, or there will be mail awaiting me. I must then perform that which is given me to do—at least go through the motions. I must answer that mail, or answer those calls, or do the healing work. You must perform your family functions, and neither of us has any responsibility for supply or health. Our only responsibility is to do that which is given us to do. Then comes the time to retire, and all responsibility is given over to God until morning.

Now this is a very unfortunate thing for the world, because while we are absent from the body in sleep, the Lord will take care of the sun, the moon, the stars, the tides, the seasons, the crops, and we won’t interfere. He has a clear field during the night, while we sleep. During the day he has a little opposition from us. We are wondering, “Will he do this well?” and more especially we are wondering, “Yes, I know that these crops are in the ground, and diamonds, and gold, and silver, but is it addressed to my address? Is it going to be sent to me, or is all going to go out there to Mr. Rockefeller?” But when we arise in the morning, if we fulfill the function that is given us to do, we will not be interfering with God’s law of supply and God’s law of health, and it will take place in its normal, natural way.

Above all things, remember this: Why has the son of God come to earth? Why? The master is a living example, witness to the reason for the Son of God coming to earth. He tells us definitely, “I have not come to do my will. I have not come to fulfill any purpose of my own. I am come to do the Father’s will.” Now what is this Father’s will? Well, you notice it is healing the sick, raising the dead, feeding the hungry, and forgiving this sinner. That is the function of the son of God, or Christ. But where is the Son of God or Christ? Is it two thousand years ago in the holy land, or was Jesus teaching that the Son of God is in you? *“The kingdom of God is neither lo here nor lo there: it is within you.”*<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Galatians 2:20

<sup>3</sup> Luke 17:21

Then this Son of God, this Christ, is within you, and its function is to feed you and clothe you and house you. Its function is to heal you, save you, and redeem you. Its function is to forgive your sins, your mistakes. Its function is to heal your diseases, and if you succumb to the belief of death, to raise you from the dead; to be a resurrection unto you. Then why do we fear? We fear primarily because religion has taught that the Son of God lived two thousand years ago, was crucified, and left the world, and we are waiting for him to come back. This is mythology. It's a little bit worse than mythology, because mythology very often is a story innocently given.

There is no truth to this—that the Christ was crucified. There is no truth to this—that the Christ departed from the earth. These were experiences of Jesus, the bearer of the Christ, but not the Christ. The Christ is the Son of God in you. That cannot be crucified because it is incorporeal; it is spiritual; it doesn't occupy time or space or place. It is a light that is within you, and not a physical light to be seen. It is a light only in the sense of "*Whereas before I was blind, now I see.*"<sup>4</sup> It is a light only in the sense of illumination, opening our consciousness to the fact that "I live, yet not I." This Christ, the Son of God in the midst of me, lives in my life, and its function is to feed me, heal, forgive, resurrect, and finally reveal to me the ascension. My function is to be still and know. That's all. That's my function—be still and know.

Now, last night we spoke of the nature of God, but you who have read the writings, you know that it is revealed in our writings what was revealed by Moses and revealed again by Jesus: I in the midst of you am God. Therefore, as long as you can say or think "*I*," you have the God presence and the God power within you, for it is this *I* that will never leave you nor forsake you. It is this *I*, not some other I; not the I of somebody that lived five thousand years ago, or four, or three, or two, or one. It is the *I* that lives in the midst of you that will never leave you nor forsake you. It is the *I* that lives in the midst of you that is your bread, meat, wine and water. It is the *I* that dwells in the midst of you that is the resurrection unto your body, unto your business, unto your home, unto your entire experience. It is this *I* in the midst of you that is your immortality. You are only immortal because *I* am immortal, and *I* is God. *I* am immortal, and *I Am* is God, and because *I* is immortal, you are immortal, because *I* is you. *I* and the Father are one, and this one is God. ...

So it is then that supply becomes easy for the simple reason that you drop all concern for supply and automatically those experiences take place which should take place to bring it into expression. Above all, though, remember this: It is not the intellectual statement of this or the affirmation of it, but it is an experience that comes to us as a direct result of the experience—the touch of the Christ.

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<sup>4</sup> John 9:25