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“PSYCHIANA”



A MOVEMENT OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD ON THE EARTH



LETTER OF TRANSMISSION WITH LESSON 32



Dear Fellow-Student:

I hand you now Lesson Number 32. It deals with a very interesting subject—the Atonement. All of the major systems of religion seem to go on the theory that man was, from birth, a shocking individual. He was doomed to everlasting hell from the day he was born. This, of course, if believed, makes some sort of a “savior” necessary. But if this is not a fact, then no “savior” is necessary, and the offices of those who claim to represent God on the earth could very well be abolished. If man needs no “savior,” he needs no one to help him find God. I am very frank to admit that were it not for this doctrine of “original sin,” there would be no need for any of the eleven great religious systems of today. When this doctrine is proven untrue, if it is, then don’t you see, man has nothing to fear. With nothing to fear, man can instantly see just how good God is. Man can also see that instead of man being alienated from God, MAN AND GOD CAN NOW TALK WITH EACH OTHER. That means volumes, beloved, I can tell you. It removes from man both the guilt of “inbred sin,” and the need of any god being killed in order to save you. That teaching never did appeal to me, anyway. Nor will it appeal to you if you use your God-given reason. When you recognize the fact that instead of God cursing both you and the ground on which you walk, GOD LOVES YOU, your whole outlook on life will change. God will then be allowed to take control of your life, and that’s all “PSYCHIANA” is interested in.

Cordially your friend and fellow-Student,

Frank B. Robinson

QUESTIONS FOR LESSON NUMBER 32

1. What was the probable origin of the doctrine of the atonement and the custom of burnt offerings?
2. What was the second step in the ascending scale of offerings to gods? What reasoning brought about this step?
3. Why did Jehovah prefer Abel’s offering to Cain’s?
4. What was the third stage of growth in the atonement doctrine?
5. Give the fourth stage of development of the atonement. This kind of an offering would atone for how much sin?
6. Explain the meaning of Isaiah’s declaration, “Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall become as wool.”
7. Explain why Jesus Christ might properly be termed the “scape-God” of orthodox Christians.
8. These superstitious customs were simply expedients of different nations for what purpose?
9. The nucleus of the atoning system is found in what doctrine? What does this doctrine imply?
10. Does “PSYCHIANA” cherish such a doctrine? Why?