



LETTER OF TRANSMISSION WITH LESSON 41



Dear Fellow-Student:

Here is your Lesson 41. It deals with the worship of men as gods, and it discloses that in the past, this has been done. It isn't being done so much today as it used to be, although there still is on the earth today a colored man who doesn't make any bones about it. He says he is God. But what he says and what others say about him may be two different things. In a way, we all are God in a certain form. If the Spirit of God lives in us, then certainly that makes us "an image" of God, does it not? If God saw fit to impart to us the life which is God's own life, then what are we? If you breed a Percheron stallion to a mare, you'll see the Percheron in the colt. If you breed a black man and a white woman, you'll see a "half-breed" in the child. If, therefore, God has "breathed into man's nostrils the breath of life," then that life, coming from God, MUST BE GOD. No argument there. Then, instead of worrying about either "heaven" or "hell," why not let those who refuse to think do the worrying. Such a theory as that can't save the world. But the Presence of God IN YOU, can, and will, save the world. Just think of it. We live in a glorious age. THE ONLY AGE WHICH IS MENTALLY COMPETENT TO GRASP THE FACT OF GOD IN A HUMAN BEING. Beloved, experiment with God. Put God in you to the test. Give God credit for being able to manifest in your life—then see what happens. Oh, how I wish every religious organization in America, be it Catholic or Protestant, would unite with the other fellows. They'd have to throw overboard a lot of dogma and tradition, but HOW IT WOULD PAY. THERE'S ONE THING THEY SHOULD ALL BE ABLE TO AGREE UPON, AND THAT IS THE PRESENT EXISTENCE OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD. Well, now that we have found but ONE thing upon which they can all agree, we've done something. We have been teaching that for ten years.

Cordially your friend and fellow-Student,

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QUESTIONS FOR LESSON NUMBER 41

- 1. What statement did Bishop Horne make which shows that the doctrine of the incarnation was of universal prevalence long before Jesus Christ came into flesh?
- 2. List the six important admissions which St. Justin made in addressing the pagans.
- 3. Give the names of two more writers who stated that incarnate gods were characteristic of all religions.
- 4. Give the first cause which promoted men to the dignity of gods.
- 5. Does this same conception run through pagan systems?
- 6. Give the second cause of men's being invested with divine attributes.
- 7. How did the Christians violate the command to "worship God as a spirit"?
- 8. What state of mind among Christ's disciples caused him to receive from them the homage and title of a god?
- 9. Did Archbishop Tillotson admit that the worship of a man-god is a form of idolatry?
- 10. Give the statement made by Dr. T. Chambers which shows the logic behind the worship of men for gods.