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Last evening, Tuesday December 19th. the Martha and Mary Society of a local church gathered together in my home for their annual Xmas meeting and social party. They have done this every year for 8 years, and they will probably continue to do it for many years to come. One lady said last evening--"I never get the Xmas spirit until we have been in your home for this meeting". I am glad. First, the regular business of the organization was transacted, and then followed readings, solos, and my boy Alfred played on the organ, "Two Communion" and the "Pilgrims March" from Tannhauser. He played them beautifully too. That boy is going to Oberlin Conservatory of music next year, and I expect he will make his mark in the musical realm.

After the regular program, the good folks, about 50 of them, gathered round the organ, and I played for them the old familiar hymns and they had a wonderful time. They always do. That's the reason they like to come back year after year. The next day, a prominent member of this particular church stopped me on the street and asked if he might ask me a plain question. I gave my assent, and this is what he asked me---"How does it come that you do not believe the story of Jesus Christ, yet you can sing and play the old Christian hymns so beautifully?". That is a fair question, and I gave this good brother a fair answer. I told him that there was only one God, not a dozen. I also told him that the Christian religion had no first mortgage on that one and only God. I informed this gentleman that when a group of members of the Christian faith were in my home, I could, and would play the hymns which are in the hymn-book of the Christian faith.

Then I proceeded to inform this gentleman that if a group of believers in the Jewish faith were in my home holding a Christmas party, or any other sort of religious party, I could, and would play the hymns peculiar to their faith. And I stated further that if members of the Hindoo faith were in my home, I should be just as cordial to them as I was to this group. The trouble with the differing church organizations today is that none of them have ever gotten down to fundamentals in their religious experiences. As a matter of fact they have no religious experience whatsoever. They belong to a certain church and a certain religious denomination. Perhaps they are members of the Christian faith, and perhaps they are followers of some other belief. But that is as far as it goes.

And the reason I say this with such sureness is because they cannot possibly have a religious experience when they are believing in a religious theory which is not true. You know, and I know that the great Creator of this universe was never crucified by a handful of Roman soldiers on a cross. Man can never kill God. So that story is not only untrue, it is too fantastic for any thinking man or woman to believe. Therefore, these good brethren remain what they always were---members of a certain religious sect or denomination. Perchance a few, who have not found satisfaction in their respective "houses of worship" may have caught a glimpse of the larger truths of God, but not many of them. I do not believe it is possible for anyone to believe in an untrue philosophy of God, and reap any benefits either materially or spiritually. Certainly, if Alfred, who at this moment is up in his room studying algebra, were working from a false mathematical premise, his problems could never be truly answered.

Nor do I believe it is possible to hold a false notion of God, and achieve anything, either for God, oneself, or the rest of the world. The story of Jesus Christ has been preached for 2000 years almost, and look at the world today. What sort of a god is this Jesus Christ? Is he impotent? Is he a dead god? Where is he? Why does he not come to the rescue of suffering humanity if he be god? To ask the question is to answer it. The entire story of Jesus Christ, AS GOD, is not true. Therefore, no benefit can come to anyone from the teaching, false and erroneous as it is, that he was God.

Of course---such statements as these brand me a "heretic" insofar as orthodoxy goes. But what they brand me is quite immaterial. If I know the truth, and I think I do, I shall fearlessly speak that truth, and moreover, I shall not go running round to this denomination or that denomination first, asking them whether they like what I am teaching or not. For if it be the truth, it needs no apologizing for. If it be truth, it will win its way round the earth. Democracy needs dissenters. Christianity needs dissenters in order that the falsehood of it may be discovered and replaced by the truth. It seems that to do this is my particular job. Not that it's an easy job--it isn't. It's a mighty hard job. One is misunderstood. "Oh--that fellow is trying to destroy religion" is the cry in many places. "Away with him--deport him--crucify him--do anything to get rid of him". But all that is so useless and so unnecessary. For, far from trying to destroy religion, I am trying to bring to this world TRUE RELIGION. And I am meeting with a lot of success too.

It is foolish for "the faithful" to raise the hue and cry against me. \$\$\$ It is not I that speak--but the Spirit of God who speaks through me. Useless it would be to get rid of Frank B. Robinson--he is but the mouthpiece of eternal truth, and such Truth is carried on regardless of who the mouthpiece may be. And the day is here when TRUTH MUST BE MADE KNOWN ON THE EARTH. Religious superstition has utterly failed. After centuries of it, look at the world today. Is it a nice picture? Can God Almighty be blamed for such a picture? I think not. I think that if God, through men, had anything at all to say, the mad picture we now see would be quite different. God is not known on this earth to any great extent. Religions there are galore---and theories of God there are galore--BUT THERE IS NO TRUE PICTURE OF GOD ON THIS EARTH TODAY. Not outside of the picture we are bringing to the human race.

For we are living in one of those transitional periods in Time. We are living in a grand and glorious moment. True, the world is bathed in blood, and it's horrible to think about. But--the truths of God are at last being brought to mankind through "Psychiana", and it cannot be too long until the old false picture of a "crucified god" goes out, completely replaced by an actual knowledge of the present existence of the Spirit of God. When that day comes, the world will know just how much vision your writer had. He will probably be much more honored dead than he is alive. But that matters not to me. I count not my life as being worth anything. The only thing I count dear is the privilege of bringing to men and women the absolute truths of God. I am making the presence of God very real to hundreds of thousands, and you can take all the rest this world has to offer, and I would not be interested in it. For the Power of the Spirit of God has had me in its grip for a long time now. I am absolutely consecrated to the service of God. Not to any church, altho I would help, and do help them all. BUT TO GOD DO I BELONG.

And for God shall I always be found battling. Not "beneath the cross of Jesus" with all honor to those who believe that, BUT BENEATH THE BANNER OF THE EVER-PRESENT EXISTING SPIRIT OF GOD, which is far better. There is a lot of question about the authenticity of Jesus Christ. There is a lot of question about the authenticity of the \$\$\$\$\$\$ score of other "crucified gods" of antiquity--but there can be no question about the authenticity of the Spirit of God, actually living here in you and in me--can there be? Certainly not. No question whatsoever. And if God does live in us, then we have all the Power of the Realm of the Spirit of God at our disposal, do we not have? Of course we do. God, to us then, becomes a living reality. We do not need to lose any sleep about a "home in heaven or hell". That does not worry us. For, if we know God in the here and now, there can be no question but what we shall ALWAYS know God, regardless of whether we manifest in the flesh or in the Spirit.

Its a Spirit manifestation anyway. Its not the flesh you see walking round, and talking round---its the Spirit of God which motivates the flesh. Some day, and I'm tempted often to hope soon, the fleshly fingers which are pressing the keys of this typewriter, will not be able to press them any more. THE MOTIVATING LIFE-SPIRIT OF GOD WILL HAVE LEFT THESE FINGERS AND THE REST OF THE BODY. But shall I be "dead"? I dont think so. For that which now is the life is not that which dies. Only the material part of us does any dying, and I'm not interested too much in that,### I should not be interested at all if it were not evidently necessary that, as long as you manifest in the flesh, I must also manifest in that same flesh. But never think that God has ever been separated from you my friend.

If only you even faintly suspected what a vast invisible ocean of spiritual Power lies at your disposal, you would, tonight be the happiest man or woman on the face of the earth. And that is my message to you. There is nothing you can possibly need that the invisible God cannot bring to you. Rather is it a fact that you yourself bring it to yourself by and through the invisible Spirit of God IN YOU. This takes God completely off the cross and puts him where we all can use his Power.

Is there lack in your life? It is because you do not know the true picture of the presence of God. You have never been told the facts of God until you met up with me. You could not know them for this is, to date, the only Movement through which the Spirit of the Living God is manifesting its Power. I am hoping against hope that just as rapidly as possible, every church inexistence will teach these vital truths. They will have to teach them or die. For false Gods always vanish when the True Spirit of God manifests. They are shown up for what they are when the sunlight of truth shines on them. But never forget the vast Power-Realm in you. There is nothing it cannot do. If there was something it could not do, it couldn't be God. But you know and I know that it is God.

Now just a word of advice on making the actual manifestations of the things you need from the Power Realm of God in you. Naturally, with the source of the Power in you, you do not need to go to anyone else with your problems. In fact you only have ONE GREAT PROBLEM. That is, to get acquainted with God. You have lived for so long time under the false teaching that God is "in the sky" and that you were born a "guilty lost hell-deserving sinner" that it will be hard for you to grasp, at once,

the staggering fact of the God in you. But you will grasp it. My advice of course, you receive in your Lessons. But the main thing is to BE STILL AND KNOW THAT THE INFINITE REAL GOD LIVES IN YOU. That's the greatest lesson you have to learn and when it is learned, you won't have any need for me or for anyone else to "show you the way". You will know what the truth is and the truth will set you free. It will set you free from want, from illness, from despair, from unhappiness, and from thenceforth your whole aims and ambitions will be to tell others of the liberating truths of the Spirit of God.

You will need no priests nor preachers to "guide" you. You will need no churches. I suggest that if you live in a city, instead of sitting in some stuffy church, you get out into the country and commune with the True God, who is too big to allow anyone to kill him. Get under a tree somewhere, and all alone, with your eyes closed, KEEP ABSOLUTELY STILL AND LET THE ACTUAL PRESENCE AND POWER OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD MANIFEST ITS POWER IN YOU. It will, if you will let it. It may take some time. But you must remember a false story of God has been given to you for a long long time now. You probably haven't even been interested in it, and the chances are you are not interested in any church or any priest or preacher, and that's good. It will be so much easier for you to find the revelation of the Spirit of God in you than if your mind was cluttered up with virgin-birth absurdities and church philosophies etc. For when the mind is empty of all false religious tradition, then God is bound to manifest himself to you.

If you cannot get to the country, then do as I suggest in the quietness of your own room. Close the eyes. Learn the secret of keeping still. When you learn that secret, you will have learned what it means to abide under the shadow of the Almighty. It will be then that the Power of the Spirit which is God will ever be at your disposal. You will be able to employ those great God-Powers whenever and wherever you need to. Your life will be one great overcoming adventure. And then, when the fullness of the Power of the Spirit of God becomes known on the earth as it will become known very shortly, you will be happy in the thought that you did your part in finding this God-Spirit, and then in bringing the knowledge of it to others. If you can't do that already, keep still in the presence of the God-Spirit, and you soon will. Now in closing this article, I send to you all the very choicest thought, and, through the Realm of the God-Spirit, I send you Power to overcome whatever it is that seems to beat you. Remember, this-- greater is the God-Spirit in you than all that can ever be against you. So get acquainted with that God-Spirit. It's wonderful to know God.

No writer has ever painted a true picture of the peace which comes in knowing God. No writer ever can. It's too deep for that.