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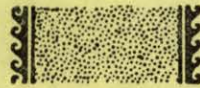
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Dear Friend and Fellow-Student:

In this Lesson, I want to talk some more about the existence of God as a mighty, dynamic, invisible Spiritual Power. A great many of my students grasp this fact immediately, but there are others who seem to have quite a time to comprehend this simple, though dynamic Truth. Why this should be, I do not know, unless it be that man is by nature a doubting animal.

I have tried in other Lessons to explain the actual presence and existence of God and have used the illustration of the Cosmic Rays in an attempt to make the existence of God understandable and real to my students. Many students have written, asking me if I think the Cosmic Rays are God. I am not going to answer that question here, but I will say that I would rather believe that definition of God than I would the one circulated by the old-fashioned religious organizations of today.

It is a pretty well established fact, however, that the old God who destroyed the entire human race through a flood, drowning them all like rats in a trap is but pagan mythology. Such a thing never happened. In the last issue of the Magazine, I submitted to my readers, the original of the Lord's Prayer. One sentence in there is as follows: "Our Father in the Universe."

That is quite a lot different from saying, "Our Father which art in Heaven." The original presupposes that whoever God may be, or whatever God may be, this Great Spirit is at this moment in this Universe and this is a fact. Therefore, I say that I would rather believe in the existence of God through the manifestation of these Cosmic Rays than I would through the old-fashioned theory of God being in heaven which place is a beautiful land where angels float around like butterflies and golden harps twang in the streets and where houses and buildings and sidewalks and everything else is built of pure gold. Whoever pictured that story must have had a wonderful imagination.

In this Lesson, in order to drive home once more the fact of the actual existence of God as a mighty Spiritual invisible force here and now, I am going to go back into the Realm of the Cosmic Rays once more. My other Lesson on this Ray created considerable comment, although I am sure it wasn't intended to. I know of no better way, however, to illustrate the actual existence and presence of God than through these Rays, for we know that these Rays do exist and those of us with any intelligence at all, also know that God exists. Scientists are not yet prepared to admit the existence of God as a personal intelligence, but they are willing to admit the existence of the Cosmic Rays. Science has not yet been able to understand these Rays, but they do admit the existence of this newly discovered energy which rains down upon us, no matter where we may be. We may be down in the deepest mine. We may be deep down in the sea. No matter where we may be, these Cosmic Rays, which are bombarding the earth, penetrate every part of our being.

Recently, I was sent a photograph from Germany, taken by Professor Picard, on his recent flight into the stratosphere. This photograph is of the Rays themselves, so no question can there be about their existence. This existence being proven, it behooves every Spiritual pioneer to investigate the scientific findings concerning these Rays as closely as he possible can. Here a great field opens up. It is a field fraught with tremendous possibilities and I assure my students that in the mystery of the Cosmic Rays, lies the answer to the puzzle of God, and God is a puzzle to a great many people. It seems that as the years go by, I catch a little insight into what God really is, and I think in a small measure, I understand some little of the operations of this Great Spiritual force, but to most people, God remains a puzzle.

The trouble with trying to demonstrate God by the Cosmic Rays lies in the fact that criticism may be hurled at me for removing God out of the Realm of the old thoughts and ideals and trying to place this great Spirit on

either a material or a scientific basis. These good friends will say that I eliminate hope, faith and love, etc., but this is not a fact, for what is now alluded to as Cosmic Rays, might very easily, in the near future, be proven to be a revelation of the Spiritual Power. At any rate, anything scientific is of God and anything material is also of God, in so far as it must have had its origin at some time or other in the Realm of God.

Recently, two mighty scientists, Dr. Milliken and Professor Compton argued before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, or rather should I say, they disputed over the Cosmic Rays. I might add here that the importance to us of these Cosmic Rays lies in the mystery which surrounds them. We do not know yet what they are, therefore, I have as much right to say that they might be Spiritual emanations as the scientists have to say that they might be electrical emanations. Dr. Milliken, for whom I have the profoundest regard, states that these mysterious Rays are beams of light called photons. Professor Compton thinks that they are little electrical charges called electrons. Where these Rays originated is clothed in mystery and any statement as to the source of the origination of these Rays must be as yet, purely surmise.

One of the most remarkable findings of Professor Picard on his recent journey into the stratosphere was the fact that instead of the Rays coming down upon him from above, as he naturally expected that they would, they came at him from all directions. In other words, when Professor Picard was several miles up in the sky, those Rays were coming from on top of him, beneath him and on all sides of him. This would lead me to believe that instead of the Rays bombarding the earth as we have been told, or instead of them coming straight toward the earth from some other planet, as we have also been told, I am led to believe that these Cosmic Rays are so intense in their energy that they appear to be coming at us, when removed from the earth's surface, from all directions. I do not believe that these Rays come direct to us from other planets, but I hold, instead, the theory above stated. Just how intense these Rays are, we do not know, but science tells us that they bombard the earth with an energy of many millions of volts.

Several interesting theories might arise here regarding these Rays. Some scientists seem to think that they are forged in the mighty furnace of the sun or other stars far more distant than the sun. Then we have scientists again who believe that they may be formulated in the icy cold of the stratosphere. Then again, we are told that it may be the cause of matter being born in some spiral nebula or other. If this latter is the case, then they must have been born millions of years and ages ago, for to travel to the nearest known nebula would take millions of years as we know years. As a matter of fact, I prefer to say that there is no such a thing as time. As I dictate this and according

to my usual custom, I hold in my hand a watch. This watch is divided into twelve different divisions, called hours. The hours are divided into sixty seconds each. The little watch ticks away and we think that time is passing by. This means nothing at all, just because we have made a mechanical contrivance running by a spring and which we call a watch, does not mean that there is any such thing as time. If this little watch were not wound every day, it would not run and if I laid it on my desk and went away for a few thousand years and then came back, the watch probably would be in a pretty poor shape.

The names we give to things mean nothing, nor does what we see mean very much either. Not very long ago, I was in a dense forest. What I saw in that forest, we know as trees and shrubbery, but the names we have given to these growths mean nothing at all. Some other race might come along and call them elephants, and so it is with what we call time. There is no time, nor is there any such thing as space if we attempt to measure it by distance. Man is a little manifestation, speaking physically, and his existence of three score years and ten is as the tick of a clock. You will recall that in one of my former Lessons I stated this fact. I also stated the fact that I questioned very much whether, if there be a future life, whether we should ever remember that we were on this old globe and when we begin to consider some of the marvels of the Cosmic Realm all around us and when we think of these distances and when we realize the fact that this invisible energy we are now writing about must have existed forever, it makes us feel sort of small.

There is one passage in the Bible that I have always been able to agree with, "The heavens declare the glory of God and to the firmament showeth his handiwork." When we look upon God in that sense, then I am heartily in accord with this view. Quite naturally I cannot be in accord with any theory of God which caused the death of the just by the unjust or anything on that order. To me such a picture as that would stultify God and would be evidence of his non-existence. Thank heaven though, none of my students believe such tommyrot as that.

There is nothing that I know of which will draw a person closer to the Infinite God Realm than thinking about the celestial sphere. I recommend in one of my former writings that my students get out alone under the stars and in the silence of the night, look up and from that Great Realm, they will receive a subtle, Spiritual Peace and Consolation and Power which is to be obtained from no earthly source. As a matter of fact, the best way to find out something about God is to think about God. Try to imagine the vastness of space, if you can. Ponder over these great distances. Think of

these stars with their planets and satellites and then, if your mind is big enough to do so, try and imagine the intervening space filled with an invisible energy so great that scientists have measured its intensity in millions of volts. If it is possible for you to draw this picture and I think it is quite possible, then you must see how with this radiating energy throbbing through you every moment of the day and night, you must be in close personal contact with the ruling intelligence behind this Universe and furthermore, with the great Creative force which causes everything.

I am glad that these Rays at the present time are shrouded in so much mystery for the very mystery attendant upon them causes the human soul to thrill and pulsate with hope that in this Realm of so much magnitude might lie the answer to earthly problems. I will say to you here that in this Realm does lie the answer to these problems. No matter what the Cosmic Rays may be later proven to be, God exists wherever they do, and furthermore, if these Rays should be proven to be either light Rays or buttons of electronic energy, then God exists wherever they are. So you may rest with perfect assurance in the fact of the existence of God everywhere. This great Presence fills all space. The Psalmist was perfectly correct, both scientifically and philosophically, when he said, if he ascended to the highest mountain top, God was there. If he descended to the depths of the sea, God was still there. This fact, comprehended by any thinking individual today, must of necessity make the actual Presence of God a reality.

Now suppose, for instance, that in this Cosmic Realm lies the answer to the problems of life. What then? In a Lesson of my last Advanced Course, I very carefully showed in what moment life entered the body of a new-born baby. I showed that that life, as an individual life, began with the first breath of air breathed into the lungs. I showed that in that moment, that baby became a separate entity, a human soul. I showed further that what we call death appeared with the last breath leaving that body. Now suppose it to be possible that the secret of all life lies in this Cosmic Realm. Let us suppose that the child does become a living soul through the impulse of life which exists in what we call the Cosmic Realm. Let us suppose also that all vegetable and animal life received its existence from the life impulse peculiar to its own kind which impulse comes from this great Cosmic Realm of God. What then?

We know that these Cosmic Rays penetrate far down into the earth's surface. We throw grain into the earth and cover it up and in due time it brings forth more grain, giving to the farmer an abundant harvest. Now, let us suppose that it is through the life impulse coming to the grain under ground from the Cosmic Realm that this grain grows. You certainly

would not ask me to believe that the grain of wheat contains in itself, thinking ability of any sort, nor would you ask me to believe that the soil contains thinking ability of any sort or kind, nor would you ask me to believe that a haphazard law comes into play when the grain is buried in the ground. You try burying the grain in a barrel of sawdust and see what happens. Now, what I am trying to get at is this: If it should be that the essence of every kind of life lies in this great Cosmic Realm of God, whether it be in the form of a Cosmic Ray or not, do you not see how close to you and to me that brings the Infinite Spirit of Life which certainly must be the Spirit of God. If we can grasp this stupendous fact, then it seems to me that confidence in this great Life Spirit of God must be inspired in everyone of us. It seems to me that no matter what the problem life holds for us, maybe its answer lies immediately at hand through our union with this great Cosmic Realm. If the Cosmic Realm is a Realm of Light, as Milliken claims--well, you know the speed light travels. If the Cosmic Realm be a Realm of electronic energy---well, you know how fast electricity travels. Now if it be a further fact that these Cosmic Rays are a life impulse, or the Spirit of God all around us and through us and coming at us from every direction, then what a vast ocean of Power is there at our disposal. If it should be that this Cosmic Realm contains the origin of life, then do you not see that eternal life or permanent life is entirely possible through understanding the nature of God or the Cosmic Realm?

If the Cosmic Realm exists, it must exist with God and if God is the author of life, then the secret of life must exist in the Cosmic Realm, and I am just about prepared to say that in the day some scientist or spiritual pioneer understands fully the nature of the Cosmic Realm or the nature of God, eternal or permanent life will be an established fact upon this earth.

I know of no other man having made this statement before. I have heard plenty of preachers talk about eternal life above the skies, but to me, that is not the answer. Just as sure as you are reading this, my friend, the nature of God intends you to enjoy eternal life here and now. The fact that all to date have died means nothing to me. Not long ago, there was no radio and a man who stated that music from New York City could be heard, without wires, in Moscow, Idaho would have been called insane. When electric lights were first brought into use, certain cities legislated against their use. They said it was of the devil. So let me repeat, the fact that all have died means absolutely nothing to me because it does not prove in any sense that all must continue to die. I am not going to say that the secret of the nature of God and therefore, the secret of eternal life will be discovered in your time or mine, but I will say that I expect

it to be discovered during your life and mine. I am just as firmly convinced that I am sitting here dictating this as I am that faith in God even as a grain of mustard seed will unfold several mysteries and will cause staggering things to happen. Practically every enemy of the human race has been destroyed and they are trying to destroy warfare in Europe. May they be successful.

There remains then, but one enemy to be destroyed and that enemy is death. Now it is a fact that physical death is only the death of the physical. These life Rays coming from the Spirit of God from the Cosmic Realm do not diminish in intensity, because when you or I die, we die because we are no longer able to transmit or absorb the life energy coming from the great Cosmic Realm of God. Our bodies become non-conductors of the Spirit of God.

I am going to jump quite a few gaps here and without going into the intervening processes and thoughts, I am going to say to you that if the idea of death had never entered the human race, there never would have been any death. I am going to go a little further with you and I am going to say to you that what caused the death idea to come was doubt in the existence of God. The inspired writer had the picture perfectly when he stated that his talking snake entered the Garden of Eden and said to man, "Did God say that you shall die? Well, that is not so, you won't die." The allegory is very crude and speaking literally, of course it never happened, but who ever wrote that mythical story had behind that story the Truth of God.

So many times have I tried to put across to my students the fact that belief in the Spiritual Realm of God (and by belief, I mean literal, actual belief) is all that is necessary to throw the law of the Cosmic Realm of God into operation. If you do not believe in the existence of the Cosmic Realm of God, then by no possible means can you enjoy or intelligently use this Realm. If it be a fact that life originated in this great Cosmic Realm of God and is sustained by that Realm, and if you do not believe in the Realm, then do you not see how you are committing physical and spiritual sin by doubt? The Bible says that man sinned away back in the beginning. Well, that statement is just as untrue and just as mythical as the story of the talking snake. But behind it all, there lies the Truth of God.

I will not go in to what happened in this Lesson because what I want you to do here is to grasp what I have written so far. I want you to grasp the fact of the actual existence of the Spirit of Life or the Spirit of God all around you and coming at you from every direction, if I may put it that way. Then in addition to that, I want you to consciously ponder over the fact of your union with this great Cosmic Realm. I want you to talk to

this Realm of Invisible life. I want you to take all your problems to it. I want you to take all your diseases to it. I want you to take all your financial problems to it. More than that, I want you, if I have written this Lesson simply enough, to believe in its literal existence as the greatest Realm of Spiritual or Cosmic energy that you will ever know. In your evening exercises, know that the secret of all life and all prosperity and all happiness lies in the Realm of God. Why not, by talking to this Realm, manifest a little faith in it. I can say to you here and now that if you will do this, you will find an absolute response. If it is possible to photograph these Cosmic emanations and if it is possible for this Cosmic energy to create disturbances in a vacuum tube and if this Cosmic energy exists for millions and billions of miles of space all around us, do you not think you can have a little confidence in it, and do you not think that confidence will throw into operation the law governing your needs?

What a tiny little bit of stuff you are. Why the great God Realm could give you perfect health, financial independence and perfect happiness and not know that you existed, that is, provided that you used the law governing the operations of the Cosmic Realm. Many a time, I am thrown back to the words of that greatest of all Spiritual teachers and once more I find that man two thousand years ago speaking the Truths of God as I am speaking them to you now. He said, "If you had faith even as a grain of mustard seed, you could remove mountains." I say to you today that if you have faith even as a quarter of a grain of mustard seed, you can remove from your life, all discord, all want and all disease and can be exactly what you want to be. Now, what will you do about this? Do you earnestly and really desire these things or are you too shiftless and lazy to really comply with the God-Law. If you are looking for some unusual demonstration from the Realm of God without any effort on your part and without any earnest desire, then, I say to you that you might just as well stop your studies here and now for no miracle manifestations will ever be given to you.

Yesterday, I bought a newspaper, and it is one of the finest paper and plant in Northern Idaho. Last evening, Mrs. Robinson and I were driving through the country and we were looking back over the past three and one-half years. She brought to my mind how intense I was just before I brought this Course of instruction into existence. She asked me if I remembered how I scarcely took enough lunch to work with me to keep body and soul alive in order that I might save up a few hundred dollars. I asked me if I remembered how, after working twelve to sixteen hours a day, I had come home at night and spent several hours in communion with the great Cosmic, Invisible Realm of God. I did not know much about this Realm

then, but I had enough confidence in it and I was in earnest enough that I was going to demonstrate the Law of God and put it to work or die in the attempt. You all know what has happened in the past three years and one-half and I am not through yet.

I have told you the story and it has been published, of how the amazing progress we have made has been made. I told you of leaving the drug store and starting this movement with less than \$40.00 in my pocket. Every move I have made has been made with the absolute assurance and the absolute knowledge, if you please, that all I had to do was to make the move and the Realm of God would supply the means, and don't you think for one moment that it hasn't done it. When I bought my first car, I had to borrow money enough to make the first payment on it. When I bought my beautiful home, after having paid the first down payment, I had less than \$100.00 to my name and "PSYCHIANA" was an unknown quantity; very little money had come in and I had no material assurance of how the business would go, but I had enough confidence in the Realm of God to buy that house. Now we have been able to bring into existence this home, additional property, two drug stores, a hospital Clinic and now, a beautifully equiped newspaper plant which I am moving to Moscow and where I will start another newspaper. As you know, we have our own magazine and shortly, this will be released by the tens of thousands on the newstands.

If you ask me if I have had any supernatural revelations or manifestations from God, I will say to you that there are no supernatural manifestations whatsoever in the Realm of God. The hymnist said:

"God works in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform,
He plants His footstep in the sea
And rides upon the storm."

No, there have been no supernatural manifestations, but in the moment that the need exists for anything, from some unsuspected quarter that need has been supplied. I think I have told you before how on one occasion, I needed about \$5000.00 worth of advertising. I think I have told you how I ordered that advertising, knowing that it had to be paid for and also knowing that we did not have the money to pay for it. But, on the very day the bill became due, an unknown friend in a far away American possession telegraphed \$5000, just enough to pay for the advertising and that without any solicitation upon my part. On another occasion through the workings of the Realm of God, a contact was made with another student who also is in tune with the great God Realm, and the financial future of this movement is just

about assured. These good friends of mine probably do not know the motivating Spirit behind their efforts, and let me say to my students that these things are done in a perfectly natural way, but behind it all, there must be and there is, the Infinite Realm of God. I have a friend abroad who will shortly place at my disposal, sufficient finances to do what I want to do and this movement, before it finishes, will be one of the largest Spiritual movements the world has ever seen. My friend naturally will make a good return on the money he invests and this is as it should be.

What I want so much to impress upon you is the fact that when you are in tune with this great Cosmic Realm of God and when your desires are made known to this great Cosmic Realm of God, then through some perfectly natural method, will this God Realm so arrange things that your desires are met. It will only be through natural means though, for let me repeat that there is nothing unnatural in the great Cosmic Realm of God.

Now in closing this Lesson, suppose you get in real earnest about your life. Suppose you make up your mind from now on, like the old patriarch on the mountain top, that you will not let God go until he blesses you. You probably have studied these Lessons well and you probably have written me telling me of the wonderful inspiration it has been to you. You probably have written me, telling me how they have opened up the Realm of God to you and if you have, that is fine. But how about getting down to brass tacks now for a change and clinching your fists say, "I am going to get from the Realm of God all that it has for me." How about making up your mind that the hidden treasure and spiritual wealth of this Infinite Realm of God is going to be yours from now on. Will you do that? If you will, then let me help you a little and this is only for students who have mastered throughly the lessons to date.

I recognize the fact that I am dealing with Spiritual Law here and I recognize the further fact that those not knowing Spiritual Law might very easily misinterpret or misunderstand what I am going to say to you now. Let me assure you that what I shall say to you now and the exercise I shall give you to do is one hundred per cent in tune with the great God-Law.

I have asked you in past Lessons to throughly relax and transmit your thoughts and desires through the Bright Area which you see in your closed-eye vision. Now, I am going to ask you to carry that Spiritual communion one step further. Do not attempt to transmit any thoughts of any kind into this Cosmic Realm as you lie there perfectly relaxed and practically dead to the world. I want you to listen instead of looking at the Bright Area. With your eyes closed, keep the eyesight active and look, as it were, through

the closed eyelid--then listen and listen carefully and look and look carefully. Just before the moment of going to sleep, there will come to your vision, faces of individuals you have never seen before. These are Spiritual faces and I don't mean spirit faces by any manner of means. You will not be able to recognize these faces for as I say, they are Spiritual faces. Also, the glimpse of them will be quite short and passing. Now before long, you will invariably find a face with which you seem to be familiar. That face will look you straight in the eye while the others will not do so. Immediately after seeing that face, you will fall asleep and will not dream.

This is all I want you to do now, but continue this exercise and from now on I am going to let the Infinite Spirit of God existing in the Cosmic Realm lead you itself. Remember, you are to make up your mind what you want and to mean business and be willing to positively throw all the Power revealed to you of the Cosmic Realm into play. Then you will continue to do this always, having in mind one definite objective. Remember at this point, that the Realm of the Spirit of God is very little understood by you. You may think that you know a lot about it, but I assure you that you don't, so in closing this lesson, I am asking you to follow me closely. Keep quiet and go about your daily work enveloped with a strange something which will make your every move successful and your every move will be made by and through the Cosmic impulse of the Spirit of God.

I want to send to every student this morning, the best thoughts I have of Infinite Peace and as you turn your thoughts to Moscow and as you look at the little photograph you have, in all probability, you will receive these thoughts.

Sincerely your friend and teacher,

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