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Dear Friend and Student:

We come now to the study of "PSYCHIANA" Advanced Teaching No. 3. This Third Advanced Teaching consists of forty Lessons and most of my Students who study it will have already completed both the First and Second Advanced Teaching.

All who qualify for the "PSYCHIANA" Ministry, must have completed all three of these Advanced Teachings. Now it is a serious thing to choose a life work. The old system under which the father chooses for the son or daughter is all wrong. It used to be that regardless of whether the parents could afford it or not, and whether the son or daughter was adapted to it or not, a college education had to be provided. I say nothing against college education, but I do say that there are thousands of young men and women in our colleges today who would be more adapted to the handles of a plough, or a dish-cloth. Nevertheless they have had forced upon them a college education. Many of them choose one line of study and many choose another and no thought is given to whether these young folks are adapted to any of the courses of study prescribed in our universities. For this reason, we find failure after failure. We find bread lines full of college graduates. Some few years ago ninety per cent of the dish-washers' union in San Francisco were college graduates.

Now as I say, I am all for a sensible education, but it must be remembered that in the final analysis the college education is only based upon what someone thought to be true many years before. Text-books are given to students to study, but the entire line of thought along the particular line of that text-book may have been entirely changed.

Take the study of psychology, for instance, as taught in our colleges. For quite a while there was a flare for "Behaviourism." Everything was "Behaviourism." "Stimuli"--that's all there was to advanced psychology, and our colleges turned out students by the thousands who knew so much about "stimuli" that they were utterly unable to find a job. They could sit down by the hour and tell other people how much they knew about psychology, and could rattle off sales lectures by the yard, yet when it came to applying the first principles of psychology or the Science of the Soul, they were beaten before they started, for "Behaviourism" and other systems of psychology taught nothing which cannot be explained. Then they ran up against a stone wall. They ran into this thing called "Consciousness" and no college professor has yet been able to define that. Of course, they would have us believe that "conscience" or "consciousness" is something which can be explained away by some mathematical psychological knowledge or law, but as a whole it never has been satisfactorily explained by any academic system of psychology, and never will be, because the realm of "conscience" or "consciousness" involves more than "stimuli" and more than anything any college professor is able to teach anyone.

Then there came a swing away from this mechanistic system of psychology and the swing went backward and not forward. Science steadfastly refused to recognize anything which it could not explain, but for the past ten years, for some unexplainable reason or other, science is making the statements which were released by me long before any scientist ever did release them. I say this in no boastful manner. I merely state it because it is a fact. If I had have told scientists ten years ago that there existed a "God-Law" directly responsible for all our actions, they would have laughed at me; and if I had have further stated that there is in actual existence now, a great Power-Realm from which Realm you and I may draw whatever things are necessary for our spiritual and physical welfare, they would have laughed some more. But now science is recognizing the existence of a realm which it cannot define. It hates to admit that its former stand was wrong and it hates to call this Realm the Realm of God, because to date, science has not recognized any God in a definite specific manner. It has wanted to define God if there be any, and it has tried to make God conform to the ideas and imaginations of certain scientists and, of course, that cannot be done. It seems now that these men of learning and letters, and science is being forced to the inescapable conclusion that a far greater and more powerful realm exists than

they had ever dreamed of.

Now, whether the release of this Teaching, "PSYCHIANA" had anything to do with this change of thought, or not, I do not care to say here. I do know, however, that when this Teaching was first released, a certain scientist of national and international reputation had me send fifty copies of it to fifty of the world's leading scientists and the letters I received from them were very amazing, I assure you. At any rate, there has been a complete reversal of thought and ideas regarding this realm of psychology, and certainly the Realm of God. This is as it should be, for life is one eternal progression, and will be until the goal is reached, and that will not be for a long time yet.

When one is willing to admit that his thoughts and understandings of the past are subject to improvement, and when one is perfectly willing to discard the thoughts and ideas of the past as new truths become known, then that one lives a positive progressive life and has no limitations other than limitations imposed by himself or herself. That is my big fight with the orthodox church. They take an old story known to the world for thousands of years and they refuse to change the story, regardless of what new data or light, or information may be brought to bear on that story. Orthodox theology, however, is having to change, because at the present time preachers are of their own free will advocating a complete cessation of preaching for at least two years. They want to put a moratorium on it, and I think it would be a mighty fine thing if they would put a moratorium on present day preaching and never take it off, for these old ancient pagan stories of Virgin Births, Immaculate Conceptions, and Resurrections from the dead are pure-ly symbolic and never had any findings in truth.

Of course, when "PSYCHIANA" was first released, all the wrath of the church was pounded on my head, and I was called an atheist and infidel and everything else, but you know what Robbie Burns said about that:

"God knows I'm not the thing I should be,
Nor am I even the thing I could be
But twenty times I rather would be
An atheist clean, than under Gospel colors hid be,
Just for a screen."

But as the years go by, and after every government agent possible has tried to stop this Teaching at the instigation of orthodox theology, the old church and its ministers are scratching their heads and wondering whether or not this man Robinson hasn't a little clearer vision of God than they have. It has leaked out through the magazines and through other sources that every

day brings a flood of letters to us telling in no uncertain terms of what is being accomplished in the lives of people we have never seen, through this Teaching. The remarkable thing is that it's all been done by mail. We have no church buildings and have sent out to date, no preachers. We have never seen our vast multitude of students nor do we know who they are, yet if I put out one letter to these students through the mail asking for cooperation or help, in any way, shape, or form, the response is absolutely amazing. And this is being done without personal contact of any sort.

The old church has stood by and seen its Grand Jury Indictments fail. It has seen its attempts (and dirty attempts they were) to incriminate me and stop this Teaching all go by the board. It has seen me predict in advance that nothing it could ever do could stop this Teaching, and the time has come when it has to take notice of us whether it wants to or not. If it does this, and it is doing it, it will be the first time in the history of the orthodox church that it has ever recognized any other religious teaching. Usually it tries to crush them like it did Christian Science, but it was the persecution of Christian Science which made it, and it is the persecution of "PSYCHIANA" which has made this Teaching also.

I didn't quietly sit back and let these attacks bluff me or frighten me for one instant. What I did do was to notify my students what was going on and now, throughout the world, there are tens of thousands and hundreds of thousands of people who would rise up in short order if the persecution became too pronounced. At this moment, I sort of feel that it is dying down. Perhaps, I am wrong, but after this deportation attempt fails, which it will, then for a while, at least, I ought to have some easier sailing. Not that I mind these attacks at all, for there is nothing that anyone has on me. They are very expensive though and they take my time away from my students and that is the worst.

You know, I am a little bit proud in a way to think that a little fellow like me should be found worthy of all these vicious attacks on the part of organized religion. This is but proof that this new Teaching is of God, for it is certain that the orthodox church knows nothing of the Realm of God as this great Power-Realm really exists today. It knows a lot about creeds and traditions and dogmas. It is so bull-headed that even though I have definitely shown that this world had known at least a score of crucified saviours before the time of Christ, it will not recognize these historical facts. But the church has reckoned without one thing. It has reckoned without the intelligence of the American people. Probably it thought that by using the name of God and probably a crucifix or two, and a few threats, it might make people stay in a condition of fear, and through this fear, it probably thought it might be able to hold them. But there

never was a day in the history of the world when men and women were as fearless as they are becoming today. This holds true in the realm of religion especially.

Heretofore, a priest or preacher has been looked upon with a certain amount of awe and respect. Many people have thought that there was some mystical power of some kind connected with them, because they use the title "Reverend," and because they wore a black suit with a collar buttoned in the back instead of in the front. There is no questioning the fact that preachers and priests have been put upon a little pedestal and thought to be a little higher than the rest of us mortals, but that day is fast slipping away. There are people who look upon priests and preachers now as parasites, and I am one of those people. I consider them parasites, because they refuse to let go of the old pagan philosophy of God when evidence, and lots of evidence is brought into the picture to show that their story is absolutely and utterly untrue. No theologian alive, no priest or preacher can gainsay the evidence introduced by me of the existence of at least a score of other crucified saviours long before the time of Christ. The church knows this, but do you think they will let go of their foolish traditions? Some of them do. As a matter of fact, quite recently there was a split in the Presbyterian Church and I think it was twelve hundred ministers went on record as stating that they didn't consider it necessary to believe in the Vicarious Atonement, the Virgin Birth, the Resurrection and the Trinity.

Now on what grounds these people claim a right to teach the things of God according to church doctrines, I don't know. It just means however, that these men are honest. They have seen the Light and the Light has attracted them. As far as the old structure goes, they have seen the handwriting on the wall and paid attention to it.

My students will remember the story of old Belshazar's dream, I think it was Belshazar, but there were so many dreamers in those days that I am not quite sure and I haven't the time to look it up. However, this old fellow had a dream and he saw this handwriting on the wall: "MENE, MENE TEKEL UPHARISIN"---"Thou art weighed in the balances and found wanting." Now these good "Men of God" are inherently honest. They have been sold on their religious philosophy, but when they have seen so much evidence against its truth, and when they have seen men and women leaving the churches by the thousands, they have done a little thinking on their own account. The keen, shrewd business men today who waste much time in a church are as scarce as teeth in a hen. It is true you find a few old college professors who like to be nominated to the position of Sunday School Superintendent and all the rest of that, but I am talking about the keen, positive, alert minds which accomplish things and very few of those you find wasting any time on the

church. Not that they do not want to believe in God, for they all do have a firm belief in God, but they know, as well as you and I know, that the ritual of the church and the messages from the pulpits disclose a plain untarnishable fact that nothing enlightening is to be found regarding God in anything which the church teaches.

Of course the church today is so bound down by certain rules and regulations. It must subscribe to certain creeds and doctrines; it must believe in the literal creation of this universe in six days; it must eat the Lord's supper; it must turn out for prayer meeting every Wednesday night; it must do a lot of things which the average mind doesn't feel like doing, and really the man on the street, as well as the large percentage of its ministers just simply haven't the time to give to that sort of thing. They want God all right. They never were as eager and anxious for God as they are today and the honesty of spirit plus the impelling power of the true God, compels them to leave everything coming from the church strictly alone.

Now in this Third Advanced Teaching, I shall speak to you plainly as I always do. I shall never mince any words. I know that I am absolutely right in my philosophy. I know that it was born of God, and I know that nothing anyone can ever do can ever stop this Teaching. It will continue long after I am out of the picture. In the first Lesson of this Third Advanced Teaching, in fact in the first ten Lessons, it's going to be necessary for us to get a complete picture of the religious structure of the world as it exists today. Many of those Students studying this Course, will shortly be in charge of "PSYCHIANA" churches, or branches, and therefore, it is absolutely necessary that the true picture of God be known to every Student. It will also be necessary for every Student to make notes as he or she goes along, because from these notes the Student can build up his own thesis, and when the entire forty Lessons are completed, the Student will have the picture I have, but he will have it in his own language.

Now, in looking over the past ages today, we find that the only organization the world has ever had which professed to know anything of God, calls itself "The Church," but the word "church" doesn't mean very much. In these United States of ours, we have between three hundred and four hundred different religious sects and organizations, all presumed to be teaching the truths of God, and I will grant you that one man has as much right to teach these truths as another man has. If they are based on actual experience, he or she has an absolute right to teach them regardless of what the "church" thinks about it.

Of course the Roman Catholic Church denies the right of any other religious organization to exist and to preach any sort of religion whatso-

ever. It also believes that the State should come behind the church, but we don't need to look far abroad to find what is happening to that theology. As a matter of fact, to go a little farther along my line of thought that ministers are kicking out the church religion, I would like to call attention to the fact that not only are our individual ministers kicking it out, but entire nations. Russia threw it out bag and baggage, and Germany did the same thing. France at this moment is kicking out every part of the "church." The revolution in Spain is a "church" revolution and note the horrible blood-shed there, all in the name of God and the "church." Mexico passed a law only allowing one priest to every hundred thousand inhabitants, and that is one too many.

So you see this opposition to the church denominations of God does not originate with me by any means, and the question is quite pertinent here as to just why there should be this opposition. The church must not blame all the rest of the human race and say that they are all wrong while the church is all right. That is the attitude that it is trying to adopt, but I am afraid it will have a very hard time to make the rest of us see it that way. When one man, or one organization sets himself or itself up to be "holier than thou," and to know a lot more about God than the rest of us know, that is a good organization to keep away from. Yet this is the attitude of orthodox theology, and unless it changes, it will die, and that would be a good thing if it did.

But I am trying to get a little picture this morning of world conditions where religion is concerned and the picture, I assure you is not very good. It looks to me as if the world will be shorn of all religions if someone does not come into the picture with a far different definition of God than we have had to date. If the church with its picture of God is useless--if it is achieving and accomplishing nothing, why do we want it? What good is it? It claims that its mission is divine and would tell you plainly and frankly that it was ordered by God Himself to "go out into all the world and preach the gospel." Judging by the amount of money the church has raised for foreign missions, I imagine it has done just that, BUT THE WORLD DOES NOT WANT THAT KIND OF A GOSPEL.

You mustn't try to tell me that the world doesn't want to know God, for I know better. But I repeat THIS WORLD DOES NOT WANT TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE GOD OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SIMPLE REASON THAT IT KNOWS ALL ABOUT THAT PHILOSOPHY ALREADY." We have carefully watched the operation of this thing calling itself the "Church" and which, as it claims operates by "DIVINE POWER." Why we have even held memberships in these churches and if my Students are like me they have come to the conclusion that the whole rigmarole is a ritualistic performance which may know all about its own manufactured God, but certainly knows nothing of the great God-Realm "PSYCHIANA" teaches. Now

I might build a little god of my own, and I could get quite a following, but unless that God were true, the laws governing it would not work.

If there ever was any proof needed of the Divine Power behind "PSYCHIANA," that proof is provided by the fact that we have built up, won, and held hundreds of thousands of people and without seeing any of them personally. The printed word has been sufficient and I would like to take about five or ten thousand unsolicited letters from students and read them to a convention of priests and preachers. If I had have had the organization the church has, I am saying to you now that the last eight years would have made "PSYCHIANA" bigger than any existing religious organization in America. I am going to get these 1500 branches very shortly now, and every one who qualifies as a minister of "PSYCHIANA" has a golden opportunity placed in his or her hands to do a constructive work for the Realm of God, and at the same time, to build a life work which really will amount to something. Just as sure as you are a foot high, when this Movement of ours starts to really go, the growth will be more rapid than was the growth of Christian Science, and that Teaching made a record. Now why did Christian Science grow so rapidly? I am not admitting that its vision is true. I don't think it is, but at the same time, it advanced an entirely new idea of God and a far more logical one than had ever been advanced to date. So people left the orthodox church by the tens of thousands and today you find the brightest minds in the United States, members of the Christian Science Church. Now the same thing will happen with "PSYCHIANA," only to a much greater degree. Christian Science took men's eyes off of the physical and put them on the mental. "PSYCHIANA" TAKES MEN'S EYES OFF BOTH THE PHYSICAL AND THE MENTAL AND FOCUSES THEM ON GOD.

Throughout the ages the so-called "church" has preached a philosophy of hell-fire and brimstone which, of course, entails bodily physical suffering. It is useless to state that the "church" does not believe that any more, because it has not changed its doctrines and this was taught to me as a boy. All the rewards that the Christian Church has are in the future aand physical rewards. It holds out promises of Rivers of Gold. Of Stairs of Gold. Rivers of Pure Water, music, beautiful sights for the eye. No more sorrow. All of these things are perfect physical reaction, yet that is all the church has to offer. The very best thing that the church has to offer in the future, and the one thing which it considers its reward "par-excellence," is that the chosen few after all the rest of us are destroyed, shall be clustered around the "Throne of God" in Heaven singing a song. Now, I am asking you whether that's a healthy, normal, sensible, sane, religious philosophy or not? The point I make though is, that its people, the human race has always been a physical people.

Not very long ago I saw the horrible instruments of torture used

by the church in its efforts to make Christians out of the heathen. Spiked bath tubs in which the poor "heretic" was placed and rocked from side to side until he accepted the dogma of the Roman Catholic Church. The Iron Maiden which is the diabolical instrument shaped like a human being and opening at the side on hinges. The "unbeliever" was placed inside of that thing, and it was closed. When it closed, ten iron spikes pierced the body from front to back and then to add to the horrible suffering, molten lead was poured through two funnel-like contraptions into the ears of the poor "unbeliever" who would not accept "church" doctrines. Now this isn't a very pleasant picture, but it's a true picture just the same.

You and I had better deal with known truth when dealing with the Realm of God, because there never was, nor can there ever be, any religion higher than Truth. The "church" of course, doesn't like to have its attention called to these things, yet these instruments of torture exist today in New York City, and can be seen by anyone. I have before me now, a picture of about five human beings being burned alive at the stake and the Christians who are doing the burning are praising God at the same time. You talk about war being a horrible thing, but the days of the Inquisition and the record of this thing called the "church" is far more horrible than any war ever was, and I am telling you my friends and Students, that in this Third Advanced Teaching of mine, we are going to dig right to the bottom of it and find out what this thing called the "Church" really is. We are going to blast it out of existence. We are going to show it up in its horrible perfidy, and then when we have done that, we are going to bring in and introduce to the world a picture of the true Spirit of God which will rock this old world to its foundations.

I haven't told my Students all I know yet. I have been quietly and carefully paving the way for the new vision of God which I shall give to the world. The absolutely astounding success of the past eight years, and all without personal contact, has definitely proven that what little of the Truths of God I have released have done their work in no uncertain manner, and from now on, we go much further than we have ever gone before.

To the good church people I say, "MAY THE DAY SPEEDILY COME IN WHICH YOU EXCHANGE YOUR OLD PAGAN TRADITIONS FOR THE TRUTHS OF GOD." To the church leaders I say, "If you are honest about your beliefs, well and good, but get rid of them as soon as you possibly can, for you are going to be without a job when men and women of America get the true picture of God. To my own Students who are studying this Third Advanced Teaching with me I say, "LOOK UPON THESE STUDIES SERIOUSLY. I AM GOING TO SHOW YOU AND TEACH YOU HOW TO USE THE POWER REALM OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD." Can any life work be more inspiring than this? As the new day dawns and this new vision of God is given to the world, how fortunate you are to be allowed to take part in it.