

## RELIGIOUS NEEDS IN THE 20th Century

Anyone having ~~an~~ ordinary powers of observation can look at the world around him and note the advances of the arts and sciences; advances that are imprinting their effects upon the entire human race. Science is exploring newly discovered fields, a few of which can benefit man tremendously if used properly. In the realm of social science techniques are being developed to aid the social framework of this civilization, to give to the masses a more pleasant and enjoyable life through knowledge of ~~his~~ <sup>their</sup> fellow men. Technological changes have greatly affected the economies of every nation and with ~~these~~ changes come an array of problems: social, economic, and political. With the advance of the arts and sciences many problems arise which need more attention than they receive, and among these is the problem of religion and the challenge it faces.

An effective religion in this ever-changing world of today is one which is capable of ~~change~~ <sup>adaptation</sup>; adaptation in the sense that the everpresent Life Force remains immutable, but the ~~many~~ ways and means by which this Force is recognized and adapted may change. Almost everyone believes in God, whether It remains a personality in their minds or whether It operates as a law. Depending on how one feels, so is their God.

People today are prone to spend all of their free time in amusements which satisfy the five senses only; ~~many~~ very few people ~~do~~ indulge in meditation or introspection. With great manufacturing and industrial centers growing rapidly and with the resultant congested living areas one can readily see that these social problems ~~are~~ really supplement the religious problem. People are too busy solving the problems which result in crowded conditions, and, <sup>HAVING INSUFFICIENT TIME FOR SPIRITUAL THOUGHT,</sup> ~~with no place~~ ~~to~~ ~~do~~ most of these problems seem insurmountable.



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## INTRODUCTION

We received so many responses from graduate members of The Psychiana Religion after the last Bulletin was mailed that we felt another Bulletin should be prepared for you.

As most of you know The Psychiana Quarterly Magazine was discontinued when World War II caused many items, including paper, to become unobtainable. Many members have written to us concerning this publication, and we, therefore, would like to conduct a survey among our members to ascertain how many of you would like us to start publishing The Psychiana Quarterly once again. We would appreciate your reply, and when you send your opinions to us please use the following address:

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Moscow, Idaho.

Thank you.

## THE PLACE, THE TIME, AND THE WAY

Robert G. Ingersoll stated his creed thus:

"Happiness is the only good.  
The place to be happy is here.

The time to be happy is now.

The way to be happy is to make others so."

According to the dictionary "happiness applies to the enjoyment or pleasurable satisfaction attendant on welfare — a state of well-being." A state of well-being for any one individual, therefore, necessarily means both mental and physical well-being. One can be in perfect physical condition but still have certain mental trepidations and inhibitions which retard his search for happiness. In essence, mental development and introspection is indeed necessary to the complete development of the individual. To have no religious faith whatever is detrimental not only to the individual but to society as a whole because he cannot develop that phase of his character which is some-



times referred to as the aesthetic characteristic of the individual. True happiness, then, will be obtained through development of the individual, both mentally and physically, to a state of as near well-being as possible.

The question of life after death is a moot one, having so many different connotations and interpretations that it would be an impossibility to discuss those various aspects at this time. We do, however, comprehend and are conscious of this material or physical life which we lead. We know that we exist as individuals, and are capable of varying emotions. If, then, happiness is a state of well-being, and if it is possible for us to develop ourselves mentally and physically so that happiness can be obtained, then we must strive for happiness in this material life which we lead; in other words, "the place to be happy is here"—let the life beyond the tomb, of which we know nothing, take care of itself.

It is impossible for one to reach a state of well-being if he incessantly worries about future events or dwells on past misfortunes. As Robert Ingersoll's creed states: "The time to be happy is now"—not in the future but at this

moment. Very few people are clairvoyant enough to foresee future happiness or sorrow, but dwelling on future misfortunes will only bring them closer to reality. Unnecessary worry about future or past events will also retard one's mental development toward a state of well-being. If everyone realized that they have within them the strength and power to overcome any and all obstacles, then fear and worry about other events in time would disappear. "The time to be happy is NOW."

An ideal world will exist only when aiding others to obtain happiness becomes one of the dominating characteristics of each individual. Drastic changes in the basic social sciences are not necessary, but a drastic change in religion is a necessity. To help others obtain a happy and peaceful life should be one of the chief aims of each of us. World conditions would not be what they are today if all individuals would consciously help those around them. We are here to enjoy this earth and its wonders as well as to recognize the existence of the Creator in us and in others. If we consciously recognize this Life Force in all men, then making others happy would be very simple.

**THE GOOD WORK  
CONTINUES**

So that all of our members can see the great work being done by the Psychiana Religion we are reprinting just a fraction of the letters received during November 1947. Many people have found The Power of the Living God during the past 20 years, and we can assure you that we will continue to help all who are earnest and sincere in their desire to find God.

I received from you the 3rd Lesson. I study the same diligently and faithfully. I know many things about God, but one thing I did not know was that you were the author of the Power of the Living God. I am Upright and sincere in my faith. I am a true Christian.

November 17, 1947  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Friend and Teacher,  
God bless you! Second Lesson received. Thank you. It gave me great pleasure to find another Teacher so frank and sincere in giving out the truth. So few know the real truth about God. . . . .

M.A.S.

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November 17, 1947  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Doctor,  
Just a few words to acknowledge your night letter of last Wednesday in answer to my telegram asking for help in overcoming a bad sore throat and mouth. I felt relief that evening after I had wired you as I knew you would help me.

L.D.C.

November 8, 1947  
Woodburn, Oregon

Dear Dr. Robinson,  
... Dr. Robinson, your Lessons have helped me so much—I can't tell you how, but they have. I have a steady job and just purchased a nice car. Before I began taking your Lessons I never had a thing to speak of. . . . .

O.G.W.

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November 15, 1947  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Dr. Robinson,  
... Have just started on the fifth Lesson. They are all truly very wonderful, this teaching of the God-Law, as I began to feel better inside almost from the beginning — each Lesson moreso. Number three really got me started to work and at a fair salary. . . .

L.B.

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November 14, 1947  
Ashland, Ky.

Dear Friend and Teacher,

I want to write and tell you how wonderful your Lessons have been in helping me, although I am afraid I have not been as faithful as I should have liked to be, owing to being very busy. Now material gains have been wonderful. I have accomplished things that I had given up hopes of ever being able to do. Such things as repairs on my property and things needed for my home. Also friends and friendships which I needed. . . . .

M.E.T.



November 13, 1947  
Kiva, Michigan

Dear Mr. Robinson,

I am just beginning to understand how the God Law works. My health has improved 100%. My troubles seem to have vanished as if by magic. We are getting the things we really need. I will tell you more as my desires take shape.

Sincerely yours,

M.B.

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November 19, 1947  
Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Dr. Robinson,

Two years ago I had no money—only the money I sent for your Lessons, and it was every cent I had. I surely did the best thing I ever did. Today I owe no one, have several thousands in the bank, my health is best ever. I am now 76 years old—no one thinks I am over 50. I do trust God and know He is part of me and will supply all my needs. It truly is very, very wonderful.

I am sincerely,

J.R.H.

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November 17, 1947  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my deep appreciation for the diploma signifying that I have completed the course. The truths that you are teaching are magnificent. To me you have restored hope where there was no hope, and peace and courage. . . . .

M.L.E.

November 3, 1947  
Hazelton, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson,

It certainly is a pleasure for me to write and tell you how grateful I am for your wonderful course. I read and re-read them and they are bringing results.

Thanking you again, I am

E.J.S.

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November 20, 1947  
Santa Monica, Calif.

Dear Teacher,

I received from you the 9th Lesson. I study them diligently and faithfully. I know many things about God, but one thing I did not know was that God dwells within me. Upon receiving the 4th Lesson from you I had severe pains in my back. And so I thought if God is within me why could he not stop it? And I said to myself that I want the pain stopped, and to my astonishment it stopped immediately. . . . .

A.B.H.

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It would require much more space than this Bulletin permits to reproduce all of the wonderful letters we received in November. However, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude for these letters—they are the reason for our existence.

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