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A MOVEMENT OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD ON THE EARTH



HERE IS LESSON NUMBER FOUR



This Lesson, Number Four, has perhaps been praised more than anything Dr. Robinson has ever written. Charged with dynamic God-Power, it has been the means of leading many thousands of people into the TRUE LIGHT. Study it carefully. In all probability, through it, you will see more clearly than you have ever seen before, just what the Great God-Law can mean to you.

Each one of these Lessons is God-Inspired. Dr. Robinson would not attempt to write to you at all, unless the Power of God constrained him to do so. The Power behind this new revelation of God is a divine Power. Dr. Robinson is only the vessel being used by God to bring this astounding message of Spiritual Power to you. So, as every Lesson comes to you, be as fair as you can be with us, and really do your part in following us closely in these Lessons.

If it should be that you have not yet mailed us your Membership Certificate, won't you please do it now? Remember, we send these Lessons to hundreds of thousands, and it's quite expensive to do this. Someone has to support this Movement, and who has a better right than those who are receiving our Lessons? You want to do your part—don't you? I'm sure you do. Then send in the Certificate, fully filled out, and enclose with it your first month's free-will contribution—won't you?

As we told you, this Movement is NOT operated for profit. It exists that men and women may find and use the hitherto unknown God-Power, and, using that Power, may be able to live conquering, overcoming lives, and, in addition to that, help others find this same Power. All this takes money and lots of it. Those who receive these Lessons from us are the ones to whom we look for our income. They are the only ones to whom we can look. We are more than willing to do our part, and go more than half-way with you. But you, too, must do your part. Please don't make it necessary for us to mention your Membership Certificate again. Fill it out and mail it, with your first month's donation to us NOW. Won't you do that? If every Student were to neglect to do this, we wouldn't be able to send these Lessons out very long.

If every Student will do his or her part, we shall be able to take care of all, regardless. If you make a special effort, we are quite sure that you will be able to help us carry on until this message of Power and Peace is known the entire world over. Not many religious movements operate as we do. But we have a sublime faith. First in God—then in you.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

C. W. Tenney



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STUDY LESSON NO. 4

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"MAN CAN NOW TALK WITH GOD"

In our last Lesson, number three, you will recall that we had two glimpses of the living God-Law in actual operation. First, in the gold-fish bowl, and second, in your own life. The main point you grasped from Lesson Three was the amazing fact that the Power which changed two little life-germs into YOU, still is operating in you, and still is the Creative Power which created everything in this universe. I trust you grasped that significant, staggering statement fully. I think you did.

Now shall we look around a little bit and see if we can find any more evidences of the actual working and operations of this God-Law in another place or two. Yesterday, while driving through the country, I watched these Idaho farmers at harvest. The combines were threshing the golden grain. Thousands—yes millions of ears of it went into those combined harvesters, and in due time you may be eating some of this grain on your table as bread.

Now just what did I see yesterday? Where did all this beautiful grain come from? Will any more grow next year? Yes—it will. Some few months ago, I saw these same farmers sowing their grain. All they did was put it in the ground and cover it up. Just as simple as that. Had they dug it up to see whether it was growing or not, there would be no harvest now. But these Idaho farmers for years have planted the grain in the spring, and, in the fall, have reaped thousands of ears of it for every single grain they planted. Now why is this? Where does the additional grain come from? How does the farmer know that he'll have another crop next year?

All right—let's see if we can find out. I have here before me, two barrels. One contains sawdust, and the other contains soil. Into both barrels I put a few grains of wheat. Then I cover them up, and wait to see what happens. In a few months, in the barrel containing the wheat and the soil, I shall see little green shoots rearing their tiny heads above the top of the soil. In the barrel containing the wheat and the sawdust, I see nothing. I can wait till the crack of doom, and when it cracks there will be no little green shoots in the sawdust. If I let the wheat and soil stay there, it won't be long until full-grown wheat is growing in that barrel. Now why is that? Surely the God-Law cannot be working in a barrel of soil with a few grains of wheat in it, can it?

Let's see. Lying before me now are several grains of wheat. They are inert things. They contain no life of any sort. They certainly are not possessed of reasoning thinking ability. They don't have the power to think, and I leave them here on my desk. They will still be here as grains of wheat, a thousand years from now. So we can truthfully say that the grains of wheat possess no intelligence of any sort. Well—maybe the intelligence which causes the ripe ears of grain to grow is in the soil—maybe that's it. Do you think it is? I don't. For thousands of acres of soil have lain on this earth for millions of years and no wheat has grown there. It would have grown had the wheat grains been planted in it. But they were not, so there was no harvest. By no stretch of the imagination can one say that the soil is possessed of sufficient intelligence to change one grain of wheat into a thousand grains. Soil, as such, cannot do that. For it, like the grains of wheat, possesses no thinking ability of any sort. Neither the soil nor the grains of wheat know anything about chemistry. They are both inert substances, possessing no power whatsoever. Yet the wheat grows in the soil and not in the sawdust.

Now shall we take another example? In my back yard here in Moscow, Idaho, sitting on top of a clothes-line pole, is a blue-bird's nest. It's there for years. Every spring, two little blue-birds come to my back yard, and build their nest on the top of the same clothes-line pole. They mate, little tiny blue eggs appear, and in due time, four or five little blue-birds will be born to that couple of parents. Now the eggs which are laid are a combination of calcium salts and albumen. Not a very scientific statement but one which you will understand. Let me ask you—do you think that either the calcium salts in the egg shells or the albumen inside have enough thinking ability to think themselves into blue-birds? "Of course not"—I hear you say. But little blue-birds will come from those eggs just the same, and I'm asking you how you account for it. You must not answer me by saying "Oh—just nature," because we are trying to get behind nature to nature's God. We are trying to find out just what happens.

So commonplace have the harvests here become, and so commonplace is the laying of an egg, that these things have been considered too unimportant to notice. Yet what better place could there be to find the Author of life than by studying life itself? Let's not pass up these simple every-day happenings, because, through them, we may find God. Certainly the Power of the Life-Spirit must be operating in the case of both the blue-birds and the wheat. For we have seen that neither soil, nor wheat, nor eggs, are, in themselves, capable of producing new life. And new life, in different forms, is produced. It was produced in you as you saw in your last Lesson. You may say that it was necessary for the blue-birds to sit on those eggs for a certain length of time before life manifests. But that is not true. Hen's eggs are placed in incubators and new chickens are born without the hen ever seeing the eggs after she has laid them. So that is not the answer.

Well, let's look a little further and then see what we can find. My little daughter Florence, a sweet little thing if ever there was one, asked me to buy her a few packets of seeds not long ago. I brought them home and gave her a few tiny flower-pots. She filled the flower-pots with soil (the same soil that wheat grows in) and put them out in the back garden. Into the soil she placed the seeds. Five or six different kinds of seeds. What happened? In a little while her flowers began to peep through. In each pot a different flower. Why was that? Because she put different seeds in each pot. The pansy seed didn't grow a marigold. The marigold seed didn't grow a pansy. They each grew their own kind and sort. Did the seeds know what they were supposed to grow? Did the two blue-birds know, by their own intelligence how to bring tiny blue-birds from their eggs? Why did not four or five scorpions appear from the blue-bird's eggs?

Foolish—is it? Not quite so foolish as you may at first think. For there was an intelligence manifested there which ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED SCORPIONS EVER COMING FROM BLUE-BIRD'S EGGS. And this same intelligence absolutely prohibits pansies growing from marigold seeds. And it also prohibited a cat or a dog from being born instead of you. It must be some Power. It is. It's the very Power I want you to know how to use. For you CAN use it. Moreover, if it is of such a high degree of intelligence that it can change one grain of wheat into a thousand, and if it is of such a high order of intelligence that it can create little blue-birds from the eggs of the parent birds, it's a power so great that you cannot understand it. Can you do that? Can any human being alive duplicate such marvelous operations? I don't think so. Then the Power, whatever it may be, IS NOT A HUMAN POWER.

Shall we go a little further along this line and see what we can discover? Half a dozen homing pigeons, placed in a shipping crate in Hartford, Conn., are loaded into an express cart, railroaded all one day and the next night, and taken out the second day at Salisbury, N. C., and set free. They circled a few times, and then headed directly back into Hartford. How did they determine their direction?

A dog is carried in an automobile 20 miles and left. He has never made the journey before in his life. He cannot read the road-signs. He does not know the names of the towns. He has no knowledge of the geography or the lay of the land. Yet on the second day, he is back home, travel-worn and hungry, and tired. How did it find its way home?

A cat is placed in a basket and carried 12 miles and left in a new home. It has never been half a mile from the barn in which it was born. Yet in 24 hours the cat came back home again. How did it find its way home?

The bee wanders in the woods in search of nectar, gets two miles from his hive, loads up, circles once or twice, and strikes a "bee-line" for his hive. How does he determine direction so unerringly, and how does this bee differentiate other hives to the north, east, south, and west?

To my knowledge, none of these creatures possesses an organ devoted to direction finding. Their sense organs appears to correspond to our own. Yet we cannot approach them in direction finding. Our only contact with the world is through one or more of five senses—sight, hearing, smell, touch, and taste. A person born without any of them could never know he was not the only human being in existence. If the dumb creatures too, are limited to five senses, which ones are used in determining direction? Not the sense of sight, for they do not see their distant homes beyond the mountains, forests, buildings, or even the horizon itself. Not the sense of hearing, for homes make no sound that reaches out several miles to be caught by even their most sensitive ears. Obviously it is not the sense of touch.

Can there be some sort of an animal radio system? Certainly there operates some sort of a Power which can do things for animals, things which we humans cannot do. And this invisible Power is what we are trying to find. You will agree with me I think that if you and I could but find such an intelligence, it would revolutionize our whole lives. Undoubtedly there are many reading this Lesson who have known nothing but sorrow and regret and poverty all their lives. It seems to be their "lot" in life. Then there are others whose life seems to be one great big problem. They know nothing of peace. There is no inner consciousness of power. Instead, they are tossed relentlessly in a maelstrom of

doubt. They cling to any piece of driftwood which they see floating as a piece of flotsam and jetsam on the sea of life. No tranquility nor peace in the lives of thousands who have written to me for the truths of God.

But there is a peace to be found. There is an answer to your problems. There is surcease from sorrow, and suffering. If your spirit lies crushed and quaking, if it seems that black night must ever be your lot, then I bring you a message of hope and peace. For the invisible Power we have been discussing in this Lesson, can do for you far more than you ever dreamed possible. If your life is lost, if you are away from your natural surroundings, it can guide you as it does the bee, straight home. If you lack any of the good things of life, the same Power which changes one ear of wheat into thousands, can, just as surely, bring supply to you. For this is a God-Power we are teaching. It cannot be a human power. It is God. And if it is able to care for the lily on the mountainside; if it is able to guide the homing-pigeons straight home—if it could take the tired dog over the hills and mountains to its home, how much more then can it do for you. I almost said there—"Oh ye of little faith."

Let this Lesson drive home to you the fact that the invisible source of life and Power we have been discussing in this lesson, GAVE YOU LIFE IN THE FIRST PLACE, AND STILL OPERATES WITH REMARKABLE PRECISION IN THAT LIFE OF YOURS. THE POWER IS THERE. THE LIFE-SPIRIT WHICH IS GOD LIVES IN YOU AS YOUR OWN LIFE. READ THAT AGAIN, FOR IF IT IS A FACT, AND IT IS A FACT, THEN DO YOU NOT SEE WHAT BOUNTIES THIS GOD-LAW CAN BRING TO YOU WHEN YOU KNOW HOW TO USE IT.

Study this lesson carefully please. I'm only interested in your finding and being able to use the Power of the Realm of the Great Spirit which is God. If you follow me carefully, you should soon know how to do this. It's up to you. I'll do everything in my power to help you. You do your part. We will go further into this dynamic Realm of God in the next Lesson.

Cordially yours,

Frank B. Robinson

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* **HAVE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF THEM . . . THEY COME EVERY DAY** *

* "I have never benefitted so much under any instruction as I do by yours."—Mrs. G. M. Marsh, Lynnfield, So. Devon, England. *

* "PSYCHIANA" will be our religion always. I think it is wonderful. A great deal of good has come to us in the last two years and our needs seem to be met in an unexpected way."—Estelle M. Longworth, Eddy, Pa. *

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