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## **The secret of creation - spiritual and material**

"[...] He, who has ears to hear, let him hear and who has eyes to see, let him see. I will reveal a great secret to you that you may see how your most loving and holy Father presents Himself in a brotherly manner, enabling you to see and enjoy Him face to face. For the children must be introduced to their Father's great household from eternity.

2. The Deity was from eternity the power permeating all endlessness of infinity, and It was and is and will forever be infinity itself. In the center of Its depth I was from eternity the Love and the very life within It; but behold, I was blind like an embryo in the womb. The Deity, however, took pleasure in Its love and pressed hard towards it And the Love felt hotter and hotter in its center, masses upon masses of the Deity assailed it and all powers and forces stormed towards it

3. Then there arose a great hum, a storming and roaring and, behold, Love became fearful and was pressed hard from all sides so that it trembled deep within. And Love became aware of it, and the hum became a sound, and the sound within Love became a word, and the word spoke: "Let there be light!" And the flame in the heart of the ignited Love began to blaze and it became light in all the spaces of infinity.

4. And God saw the great glory of His Love within Him, and Love was strengthened with the power of the Deity, and thus the Deity united with Love forever and the light issued from the warmth.

5. And lo, Love saw within the Deity all the glories whose number is endless, and the Deity saw how all this flowed into It from Love, and Love saw its thoughts within the Deity and found great pleasure in them. Thereupon Love ignited anew and the powers of the Deity moved around it and behold: The thoughts emanating from Love were themselves love and were countless.

6. The Deity saw Its glory and Love felt Its power. And the Love within the Deity spoke: "Let us hold fast the thoughts of glory and cause them to go forth so that they may become free and perceive Us and become aware of how We perceive and see them and how We perceived and saw them before the light illuminated their forms!"

7. Then the Word passed into the Deity and It became Love throughout And lo, the Deity spoke for the first time: "Let there be!" And a host of spirits whose number is countless was set free out of the Deity, and Love saw Itself endlessly multiplied and saw Its infinite beauty in perfection.

8. However, all the beings were not yet alive and did not yet perceive and see, for they were still fixed forms in the Deity outside of Love.

9. And Love felt compassion and began to stir, and the motion rose within the Deity, and the Deity gave Its captives to Love and Love permeated all. And lo, the forms became alive and looked at each other in amazement and warmed themselves at the flames streaming from divine Love and thereby received independent movement and mobility. But they did not know themselves as yet.

10. Then Love spoke again: "Let Us make them recognize themselves, so that they may know Me and through Me also You."

11. Once again the Word arose within the Deity, and the Word sounded within the Deity, and the Word became law, and the law was Love and flowed into all.

12. And behold, there were made Three, and from them came forth Seven! And the Three equaled the Love, the Light and the Deity, and the Seven equaled the seven spirits of God. They are and shall forever be called: Love the Love. Fear the Deity that slays, - lest you be slain. The love within you is holy; so respect each other as the Love within the Deity respects you and is pleased with you. Everyone belongs to himself and belongs to the Love of God. Therefore, let no one be prey to another.

Let no one ever hide his face from the other to prevent the other from knowing what love is like, -

and that you may be like the Love which called you into existence. Let your innermost be like your outermost so that no wrong emotion may arise within you and you perish. Your outermost shall be the true reflection of your inner mirror in which the Love of the Deity gazes upon Itself; otherwise the inner mirror will break to pieces and your form become hideous.

13. Then the Deity thundered in the infinite spaces a dreadful judgment to the transgressors and they were bidden worship of the Deity in the greatest fear and love of the Love. And they were set out of the Deity in the greatest freedom and could do as they pleased, and nothing shall impede their freedom until such time as they will have recognized themselves in their freedom and their humility, so that the law may become their own and they then completely free.

14. However, now they became aware of their great might and their all- outshining splendor and majesty, and the first of the three, the light of the Deity, inflamed in his desire to fully overpower the Deity. Through him were kindled also a great part of the spirits he had created. Thereupon the Deity became inflamed with anger, as did also the two lower spirits of the three, and cast the evil gang into the most profound depth of Its wrath.

15. And the two, and those who had come forth from them, and the seven, whose number was just, were found faithful in their humility and were admitted into the spheres of the might of God. And Love saw that they had been found pure and rejoiced in their perfection. And behold, the power of the Deity rose within the Love, and the Deity moved and the created noticed the movement of the Deity. And the Deity moved towards Its Love and the eyes of the created were opened and they saw eternal Love for the first time.

16. Then the hosts of the countless beings were amazed and there was jubilation and great joy among them, for they saw the might of God within Love and saw the love within themselves and also the power, which had called them into existence. They recognized themselves and recognized Love and God.

17. Now the Deity moved and the created were afraid. And Love saw their fear and that it was just. And their fear became obedience and obedience was humility and the humility was their love, and love became their law and the law their eternal freedom, and the freedom became their life and the life their eternal bliss.

18. And lo, eternal Love spoke to them and they understood the Word! Then their tongues were loosened, and the first word that flowed from their lips was love. And the Deity was pleased with the tone of their speech and was moved by love, and the movement took form within the created, and the form became sound, and the sound was the second word -God.

19. And only now were the created perfected. And Love spoke to the created: "The first among you was lost. Therefore, I am taking his place and shall be among you forever!"

20. Then their tongues were loosened once more and they bent their knees and worshipped Love.

21. Now behold all that Love did and God within Love and Love within God. - And Love felt compassion for the lost, but the Deity quaked in Its wrath and a great thunder was heard in all the spaces of God's infinity. And the thunder penetrated to the innermost of eternal Love and Love alone understood the thunder of the Deity. And the thunder became a word within It and spoke: "Yours shall be all the might; do whatever pleases You and speak: 'Let there be' and it shall be."

22. And lo, Love was stirred to Its innermost and the first tear flowed from the eye of eternal Love, and this tear flowed from the heart of the Deity and was, is, and shall forever be called MERCY.

23. This tear became a great water, which flowed into all the spaces of infinity and into the uttermost depths of the wrath of the Deity and appeased the fire of God's anger.

24. And lo, the Spirit of God in its power moved gently over the waters of mercy and the waters parted. And God spoke out of His Love, and His Love was the Word, and the Word descended into the uttermost depths and hovered over the waters, and the waters became separated like dew-drops and were spread out in all the spaces of infinity in large and small drops, according to the number of the lost which is endless.

25. And lo, the last drop which remained was the innermost of the waters and the innermost of mercy and was not spread out, but remained where it had been left and was destined to be the center-point and the stage for the greatest deed of eternal Love.

26. And now behold: This last drop became the planet earth, which you and your brothers inhabit. And the other drops were formed into countless suns, planets and moons of all kinds. And lo, thus came into existence the visible firmament with its stars, the sun, the moon and the visible earth with its oceans and firm land.

27. Now lift up your eyes and see, and you shall comprehend the wonders of eternal Love! You always see the radiance of the sun, the light of the moon and the shimmer and glitter of the stars in their varied constellations, which you call the signs of the Zodiac. You see also the great variety of formations in all the three kingdoms of nature of the natural earth. However, to this day no one has fathomed and properly comprehended the nature and source of the sun's radiance and how it has come about, the shine of the moon, the shimmer and glitter of the stars and their most varied constellations and the structure of the earth.

28. For behold, My children must be introduced to all the beautiful things their holy, most loving Father has available as gifts to His children who recognize Him, love Him alone above all and love each other for love of their Father.

29. And behold: When all the suns with their planets came into existence through the might of the eternal, infinite God's merciful love, they had as yet no radiance, shine, shimmer or glimmer, for there was still dark night on the created suns, earths and moons. But into the center of the suns eternal Love sank a small spark of Its grace, and this spark - taster than lightning - illuminated the dark masses and lo, they shone upon the earths with a great radiance and are still shining and will do so as long as the spark of grace is not taken from them.

30. And behold, the earths and moons also began to shine, and they were allocated to the suns in just numbers and Love breathed upon them through the power and might of the Deity, and lo, the light vibrated on the suns, the seas on the planets heaved and whirled the floods, and the air currents and winds floated and blew over the earths like the Spirit of God over the waters of mercy. And the moons rose mightily above the earths to which they had been given like fruit on a tree and began to revolve around them in wide circles as constant companions. And where there were many of them they were united in fixed orbits as a sign of the love of the children who are to constantly behold the face of their Father, as do the moons their earths, to prevent them from being torn from their orbits and destroyed on account of their light structure.

31. For behold, the moons are not solid, but porous, similar to the foam of the sea when it becomes firmer and more solid, and they are barren and without water. The air of the earth is there as the water of the moons and their air is like the ether between the suns and earths. And they (the moons) are destined to receive the worldlings, to hold the spirits of matter, to probe their constancy and mature them for the reception of grace.

32. The solid part of the earths is that part of the wrath of the Deity, which was appeased through mercy, and holds with strong fetters the spirits of those who had strayed. They will be held until the appointed time of their unaware release when they - individually bound - are put into matter, which is softer, yet strong enough to hold them, and from which they will only be able to emerge when eternal Love has once more awakened them. The seas and waters are full of them that they may

there become humble, and the air is full of them, so that they can there be purified. Eternal Love is the form in everything; however the wrath of the Deity is only appeased on earth, but not abolished.

33. But note this well: In the center of the sun there dwells the spark of grace and gives light to the world through the fire of God's wrath. In the center of the earth, however, there dwells a spark of God's wrath like a fire- dragon and keeps the evil hordes in a solid state like stones, which must first be softened through the water of mercy if they are to be released for a second trial to gain freedom and eternal life. And now understand the mystery of your being and marvel at the great love of eternal Might and how often It has let you be born again in order to reclaim you, who were lost, for eternal life, for freedom, for the law, for love and light and for beholding Its face. And behold, all this I want to make known to you and through you to many others too, so that you may finally understand how exceedingly good eternal Love must be when It untiringly tolerates so much and does such great and marvelous things for you disobedient beings.

34. And so through the breath of the mercy of Love the earths were made to revolve around their centers and rotate around their own centers for a sign to the children that they may in all they do follow the example of the earths' movement around the suns and the moons around the earths. And the weak shall be like the moons and the strong like the earth, and the reborn shall be like the sun. And the weak shall behold the strength of Love that never forsakes them if they, like the moons, steadfastly turn towards the face of Love, revolving around it in smaller circles, yet by its power are also drawn into the great circle. And the strong shall be like the earth, rotating independently, in order to hold themselves ready at all times to receive the light and warmth from the grace of Love. Through its inner power this gives them light, warmth and life that they may produce fruit of all kinds from the works of love, which give food to the weak, refresh the incarnate and delight the reborn. And the reborn out of the waters of merciful Love, within whom grace is perfect, shall be like the sun. Their light shall shine everywhere and their warmth shall revive the weak and stimulate the strong towards nourishing the weak, that there may be fellowship among the children of One and the same Father.

35. And behold, you shall look still deeper and see how and why I have arranged all things in this way! Lo, the moon has specks and many dark areas, and the earth has cold but firm poles, high mountains and low valleys, springs, brooks, rivers, streams, lakes, seas and great oceans; and the sun has large and small spots. Behold, all these things are effects of love and grace or, respectively, warmth and light, all of which is eternal Love and the power of the Deity through It. Therefore, look at the weak and the moon, how alike they are, and the moon's nature is revealed to you. Look at the strong and all their works, and the earth is revealed before your eyes. And from one pole to the other there must be the rigid stillness of the spirit within the love towards Love in order that everything, which surrounds the spirit, can move in a constant order and thereby be active for the common purpose of everlasting preservation. For behold, everything depends on the stillness; without it nothing can be achieved and he who is not like the poles of the earth does not penetrate his innermost as does the line between the poles the center of the earth. Your love must be cold like the ice of the poles to enable you to absorb all the warmth of divine love. For behold, what is warm is not fit for the reception of warmth, but what is cold in its stillness is capable of absorbing the warmth completely and letting it stream forth into all parts of life. For whoever absorbs the warmth, which is the love of God, keeps it firmly within and does not allow it to flow on, is a miser who dissolves himself and is destroyed like ice at the fire. However, he who receives it like the poles and passes it promptly on to all around him, be they near or far, with him divine love is in the right place and fully corresponds to the will of the great and half Giver.

36. This love will bring much fruit, will rise to the light of grace and constantly behold the boundless depths of the Deity - like the poles which look into the infinite spaces of the creations of the love of God - and will, with its eyes wide open, absorb the soft rays from the boundlessness of all

the infinite spaces where mercy's countless beings are circling, everyone according to its kind, and will out of delight and bliss in its love towards Love and for Love ignite and become self-shining as a sun, like the light of the earth's poles.

37. Therefore, whoever remains constant in the center of the love of cognition, which is the grace, will have his loins aglow with love out of God, like the girdle of the earth and his eyes will shine with understanding like the poles, and his arms will move like the rivers, brooks and springs, and his deeds will stream towards the seas of the divine mercies, which are salted with grace and the understanding of eternal Love and everlasting life. 38. Well, here you have the key to open up and look through the earth that carries you." (Household of God, chap. 5)

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(Angel Raphael) "God is in Himself eternal and infinite. Endless space is solely filled with Him. He, as the most sublime, purest and greatest thought and the forever most perfect idea in-and out of - Himself can, being all this from eternity, do nothing but incessantly produce thoughts, in His whole infinity, which is full of the same; we, the '**primordial angels**', however, being His to you people since unimaginable times mature and now independent living ideas full of light, wisdom, cognition and willpower, have also an infinite number of servants under us who, as it were, constitute our arms and who recognize and promptly fulfill our will.

[2] The pure thoughts of God are the stuff out of which everything that is contained in infinity has to come into being: We originally and solely through the will of the supreme and almighty Spirit of God, - but all these things and beings hereafter through us, who were and are the first and most suitable receptacles for the from God forthcoming thoughts and ideas, which from now on we shall remain forever in a more potentized and ever more perfected form.

[3] We (the 'primordial angels' ) unite the from God forthcoming living thoughts which appear to you as fiery long-tongues and which incessantly form, according to God's order in us, forms and beings. And if you are asked from where God or we, His, as it were, eternal servants and messengers, took the material stuff for the creation of the beings, - behold, there you have it before you! These serpent-like, fiery long-tongues are the spiritual building blocks from which all the material-essential contained in the whole of infinity has been made.

[4] The Lord has previously shown you very clearly what this making is all about. But all this you will only understand and wholly comprehend in its fullness and clarity when you will yourselves as perfected beings stand before the Lord God in spirit and no longer in the heavy flesh." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 4, chap. 119)

## **Energy, substance and spirit**

These three words denote things of which people hold very erroneous concepts. The first two in particular give much trouble to the materialists because they believe to have found in them the whole universe, the reason for its coming into being, its existence and passing away, with which explanation God, or a Spiritual Being ruling everything, has been completely negated.

Since it is precisely the materialists, or the present "very learned professors" of geography, animal science and mineralogy, who cast around with these words, establish them as the first principle and believe thereby to have said all in all, we must still, if we want to tell these clever professors something which clearly proves their ignorance, begin with the concepts these words represent.

For first of all one has to know what one needs as tool before one set to work, whereupon only the right use of one or the other tool proves the dexterity of the master.

So, what really is or is called “energy”?

Look, you men of learning who fancy to be so wise, who, after all the exploring and investigating, arrive at the very spot from which you began, who want to determine energy as a factor in the whole visible and invisible world; look, I have to tell you that energy, this highly-praised word on the title-pages of your books, is not something that exists independently or alone, but denotes only the product of another, invisible factor, which you do not wish to admit exists, by straight away declaring: “Energy is a natural law which is equal to movement or life.”

But now we ask these scientists: If your whole world consists only of substance and the expression of energy, who gives the impulse to this energy so that it can, and must, express itself thus and not otherwise, always influencing through the application of its force the second article of faith of your science, namely, substance?

You see the stone roll down the mountain or fall from the air, and immediately you conclude: It is the force or the law of gravity, the earth’s force of attraction, which sweeps away the stone deprived of its foundation until, having reached another firm base, it stops and remains there, in the expectation of another “force”, which acts on it differently!

Well, if I had to be apprenticed to these scientists, and having heard their wise reasoning, I would ask how the world had created itself, how it sustains, and will destroy, itself, saying: “Gentlemen! It is true, you have shown Me the effects of a force; I have indeed tried it Myself and have found the tenets laid down by you confirmed. However, not being able to see the energy but merely feeling its effect, I should like to know what it actually is and have an explanation for it.”

The learned gentlemen at once answer with one accord: “Energy is a natural law without which nature cannot exist.”

“Good,” say I, “you are right! But now I want to know also: Is there in nature an example of a thing that sets down its own laws? For you, gentlemen, do not recognize a Lawgiver although you try to silence Me with the concept of “natural laws”. Well, I happen to be One of those pupils who want to know everything thoroughly and cannot be satisfied with half or meaningless, though “scientific”, expressions.”

The learned gentlemen are getting angry with a pupil who wants to know more than they can offer and turn their backs on Me, and so I am coerced to find My own way out of the chaos of scientific expressions, for the ship of the scientists has become stuck in the shallow ground of their “natural laws”.

Now that so many people talk of “energy”, “natural forces”, “propulsion”, “repulsion”, “gravity”, “pressure”, “attraction”, etc., let us first try to form an idea as to what actually is “energy”; then let us see how it manifests in nature and how it influences the organic and inorganic life and which gives life, takes life, builds and destroys it and has thus become the sustainer of the universe.

So first of all - what is energy? Look, energy is nothing else but a perceptible manifestation in a thing which must change either its place or its form owing to another object influencing it, which is effected in such a way that in the exterior or interior of an object one can observe a movement, an increase or decrease in size, or even its dissolution.

Well, this drive of an alien object towards another is only the impulse, inherent in the second being, to escape the elements surrounding and influencing it; it is the impulse towards inertia, as opposed to movement.

The stone wants to lie at rest, that means it wants to continue in unison with its support where all its parts, down to the smallest atoms, do not feel disturbed in their dimension as to width, length and depth.

Thus, as soon as another object exerts an influence on the stone to tear it from its comfortable inertia, its whole nature resists; all its parts, formerly densely packed in complete inertia, begin to either expand or possibly contract, and to vibrate. In short, the stone, due to its resistance against the other object interfering with it, is no longer the hard, lifeless stone it previously had been, but it has life. Everything in it moves and vibrates.

Well, what is the result when an otherwise inert object takes on movement? Look, the result is that it must relinquish its previous form and consistency is forced to become something else, for its elements are no longer as firmly bonded as previously. Therefore, the force exerted gains the upper hand, breaks up and smashes the stone and, if possible, even dissolves its components into dust.

Thus the force of gravity, or the force of attraction, of the earth on its constituent parts is always opposed by another force, namely, the force or the urge to destroy all that exists and then to form again something new out of it.

Energy, as it manifests and as man can see it work and feel it, is thus another factor which is neither in the stone nor in its surroundings but is caused and stimulated by other elements, makes the latter change their form and their constituent parts, taking life and bringing forth life and, thus destroying and rebuilding, ensures eternal permanency only by creating anew while at the same time destroying.

This energy manifests in all possible directions and in a variety of forms. Its causative factor is thus a higher power, which in its desire to manifest, is only visible as force. Hence, energy as an independent thing, as the learned materialists want to believe, does not exist at all, is never an independent vital factor, but the product of two higher factors, namely, of inertia and movement.

It is through these two important basic principles of the entire universe that the world exists, was created, is sustained and again transformed into something new.

Inertia is also expressed in the second name that we could give it, namely, in substance. And the life-activity influencing it, which sustains and quickens everything, is the spirit, which is the stimulator of energy and holds substance together, and is thus the principal factor of life in its entirety. For without spirit there is no life, without life no substance, and substance needs no energy; for energy is the product derived from the former, and if they are lacking, everything is lacking.

Now we have so far cleared up the concept of energy or force and can proceed to the next one through which energy manifests, that means to substance. For energy can only exist where there is resistance and where substance, as something material, supplies with its very components the physical resistance in the principle of inertia, where it opposes movement and thus becomes visible as force.

Now we ask: "What is substance?" and the scientists say: "Substance is everything which is capable of expansion as to length, width and depth."

Good, now we continue to ask: "Of what does substance consist?", and again the scientists will say:

"Substance is composed of all that is present in the entire universe in either a dissolved or compact form; substance is everything that could be called basic elements of creation."

Good, but now we ask: "How many kinds of substance are there, and how can one distinguish them, or separate them from one another?"

Then the scientists again say: "By means of chemical analysis we have found innumerable substances which (so far for us) are indissoluble, and these constitute the universe. Their various combinations bring forth everything we can physically see or feel. These combinations or, as they say, "chemical compounds", however, are subject to certain laws, one of which is the law of assimilation, the other that of repulsion."

Now we ask again: "But gentlemen, you are again talking of laws, so that in the end I would still have to presume a Lawgiver."

Thereupon they reply: "Friend, this is not what we mean. The various kinds of substance have diverse characteristics whereby they are only allowed to enter into one or the other combination or contact, whilst others are a sheer impossibility."

Realizing that again we cannot fully agree with the professors, we must once more rely on ourselves and our five senses, and thus ask ourselves the question: What is substance? And our heart simply tells us:

"Substance" is nothing at all. "Substance" is too generalized a term, which, by classing everything equally, does not allow for any variation. If one wanted to define all there is in the visible world as substance, it would finally be impossible to find a single definition for combinations of dense and light, solid and volatile masses.

Thus "substance" is at best represented by the great ether space beyond the earth's atmosphere, where all the ingredients are present in solution that go into making of the world globes and the various kinds of atmosphere surrounding them.

Only there "substance" is present, namely, the great supply depot for the building of the universe. However, in, on and around the earth, substance is no longer "substance". For there are, according to the respective purpose, bound and combined elements which then, exposed to other, higher potencies, such as life, motion or force, are coerced into modification and change of form, transform themselves and appear in a new form as something different, after their activity in their former form has ceased.

Here on earth, substance is already bound in such a way that a separation into its primitive forms is no longer possible, since its individual components are so intricately united as to represent only in this most intimate amalgamation another entirety and oppose any separation by artificial means. Then the learned gentlemen believe to have discovered "laws" or so-called "natural laws" because they fail to achieve what a higher power, namely, the Spirit ruling over everything, achieves with ease.

The natural scientists and scholars, who, of course, only recognize facts where nature operates by coarse or great means, these gentlemen fail to understand that despite their denial there is still something which is beyond their chemical analyses, their microscopes and telescopes, their barometers, electrometers, thermometers, anemo- and other meters. What they observe are nothing but crude processes in the retorts and stills. Although they attach much importance to them, they fail to understand them and, since they refuse to recognize a Lord and lawgiver, they invest these substances with intelligence and say: "They follow only such and such an impulse," in the same way as they follow theirs, namely, the materialistic one of the illusion of really knowing or seeing something.

What for them is a mystery of nature and will forever remain an insoluble question concerning their own body, namely, the correlation between matter and the spiritual, or how the brain mass, which is certainly something material-visible, only produces something spiritual, or how the metabolism in their own body works so that they can enjoy a healthy life; this, the spirit, they do not want to find!

These gentlemen, who in nature do not want to acknowledge a Lord, a higher power, while daily, even hourly, they can observe in their own body that the spirit is capable of ruling over matter, assume a natural law which forms energy and substance into that which they see visibly and feel invisibly before them. However, for their own body, where the same process takes place, they are unwilling to acknowledge a natural law, but want to rule autocratically.

“How weak and biased you are, you poor blind people!” This voice sounds in your direction from living and also from seemingly dead objects of visible nature, everywhere it calls out to you:

“We do exist! But not chained together by chance or according to your “laws”, but we were formed out of, and through, a higher power, attracting and repelling each other according to our individuality, and all this only in order to provide you skeptics with a pleasant sojourn on this earth and also, even though you do not wish to hear it, to always call out to your wisdom-pride:

“We do exist! But we are not, as you blind people believe, “energy” or “substance”; we are “spirit”, that is, imprisoned Spiritual, loosed Spiritual, Spiritual creating forms and again destroying them. In the end we will emerge from all this conflict spiritualized, to show you that everything in the whole of nature is spirit and that you merely lack the necessary spirit of comprehension and that, despite the revelation on the part of visible and invisible nature, you refuse to condescend to the confession: Yes, now we realize that we know nothing! When this exclamation comes forth from your heart and head, you will have taken the first step towards the greatest goal set you by this very same great Spirit, who treats you with so much forbearance and grace and does everything possible to prove to you that He, a Spirit, cannot create matter, but only Spiritual!”

Now that I have pointed out to you most of the nonsense of all the materialistic systems of science, we want to pass on to our own field, so as to prove to all skeptics (of good will) that there is no such thing as “energy” or “substance”, but that there is only “spirit”, spirits, and One spiritual Supreme Creator! Amen.” (Secrets of life, chap. 16)

## **What is spirit**

“Yesterday we have asserted that spirit is the main constituent and the main sustainer of the whole universe; today we have to prove what we asserted yesterday.

Look, the first question arising here is really this: What actually is “spirit”, and of what is it composed?

To answer this question will probably be a little difficult; however, we shall try to make this clear to you by means of an example so that you may well be able to distinguish between “spirit” and “manifestation of force”.

Now let us assume somebody wants to commence a certain work, which according to his understanding, logically begun and consistently pursued, should produce a certain result. Well, in order to affect this, he will first conceive an idea, then think it over and reflect on it and then he will mentally review the steps of the whole procedure from beginning to end. Further, having painstakingly considered and pondered everything, he will procure the means and materials required and then, under the influence of the initially conceived idea, process, mix and combine them until the final result emerges.

Now, if you want to visualize this process quite clearly, you will see that the spiritual idea, or the vital potency which carries within it all the power to make everything out of everything at will and which you may call the innermost life, is this potency (mighty will), thus the carrier, promoter and creator of the whole project conceived by it. Everything this potency wants to use in the pursuance

of its purpose it must first permeate with its own energy, so that under the influence of this energy the whole gradually combines into a homogeneous edifice, which then in reality expresses the initially conceived idea.

This spiritualizing of matter, or the utilization of matter for an action, this arousing of the spirit-elements reposing in matter to a collective effort, is the actual life, or the driving wheel of the entire machine. This activating vital force, which is beyond all the ponderable and imponderable elements, is therefore actually "the Spirit" which then, after all its gradations up to Me, as the sole Creator and Lord of the created, comprises everything this potency in its highest expression can be.

Since this potency must naturally be arranged in such a way that it can logically create something, which logic you recognize as natural law, it follows that if something is clearly created for permanency, this first cause effecting its creation does not intend its destruction, but its preservation. Therefore, this spiritual potency must have "a pleasure" in the created, which is nothing else but inclination, and what is "inclination" if not love? Just as aversion, or the stimulus towards the destruction of the created, would have to be termed hate.

Hence it follows that the Primordial Spirit, or the highest potency, being the creating, active principle and imperishable life, is love, or, in other words: the highest potency, God, is Love!

Where there is love, no destruction, no hate are possible!

Now, since the Spirit in My Person, as an eternal, independent identity must have as its fundamental principle the main attribute "love", it follows that I must also possess all the other attributes belonging to love, which cannot exist without love and without which love cannot exist.

These attributes are: Meekness, patience, perseverance (or faithfulness), humility and, since all created things are My products, as it were My children, in them also fatherly love finds its loftiest expression.

Now look, if the Creator wants to create something, He must surely endow the created with something of His own self, so that it may resemble its Creator and become worthy of Him!

Thus, in order to call into existence the universe with all its worlds and suns, with their plant, mineral and animal kingdoms, I had to endow each of these parts, thus all things of the universe, with a certain quantum of Myself, with a wish to gradually strive upward and an urge to again return to Me. By virtue of the fact that "like is always attracted to like", in everything created a spiritual part as you can understand and grasp it was solidified, or several small particles were condensed into a larger volume (form), so that according to the degree of relationship of the spirit particles the latter adhere to one another more or less densely, thus forming a body.

In this manner everything you call matter was created, be it in easily soluble, volatile or solid elements, up to, and including, the hardest rock.

Everywhere the main constituent is, and was, spirit which, in various combinations with its own kind or others, has brought forth larger or smaller, more or less solid masses.

You have an eloquent example in water, which, as a flexible, light element under the influence of heat easily changes into air; or, conversely, as soon as a certain amount of heat escapes from its parts or from single atoms, turns into a rigid, solid clump of ice.

Here the difference consists only in that the water turns into ice because of a lack of warmth, or of love in the individual parts towards each other, whereas in the entire created world it is precisely love that unites everything. For love forces everything to attract each other and through this urge to unite with each other as closely as possible, elicits from love the other important vital factor, namely, warmth which, owing to its inseparable partnership with love, is equivalent to it.

Where love has brought together the like-minded spirit-particles, a blissful urge or warmth is created. Where warmth develops, a nascent state gradually sets in, a striving for a better situation, for finer, better combinations; in a word, the other visible factor, namely life, comes into being.

Where there is no love, there is no warmth, and where there is no warmth, there is no life!

This life, as a product of warmth and love, or of the friction of movement among the individual bound spirit-particles, in turn gives rise to another factor of creation. For where there is warmth, there is friction, where there is increased friction, heat develops, and where heat increases, the consuming or the nascent state begins, where the spirit-particles turn into other, higher, lighter forms, which joyfully release they manifest through violent vibrations or quivering, and this manifestation is finally called light!

Therefore, where there is love, there is warmth, where there is warmth, there is life, where there is life, there is light!

Now we have before us these three main factors making up a creation, which help to create and sustain it and without which nothing exists. For in all that is created, one or the other factor is always predominant, and where all these three life-carriers cease to exist, there is no creating, no life, no warmth, but death, cold and destruction or disintegration, so that these dissolved parts can again return to the cycle of the living.

Now look, "energy" is only the spiritual urge to newly create out of the existing. When this urge manifests in reality, it is recognized by your natural scientists as natural laws.

"Substance" is only solidified Spiritual[2] which, as you see here on earth, long ago has lost its primitive forms and, visible in more solid, coarser constituents, is no longer substance, but matter which, through the mutual influence of the strong on the weaker, of the greater on the smaller, causes the disintegration and change of the same, so as to liberate the spirits bound there and open for them the way to higher levels.

This breaking up, or the influence of one on the other, manifests to your eyes as "life", as the great natural law of "coming into existence and ceasing to exist", where the one by dissolving must complement the other, so that it can enter the great gamut and the road back to Me.

Thus, where your scientists suspect only natural laws which, notwithstanding their ideas, follow only My will, precisely there only a spiritual life can exist and develop, a life which by far surpasses everything tangible the ideas and concepts of your scientists can grasp.

And for this very reason, namely, because the Spiritual does not submit to their will and refuses to become their monopoly, they have decided that their best course lies in denying it altogether.

For them there exists no God, no lawgiver, although they presume natural laws; for them, it is "substance", which makes its own laws, thus an intelligent substance!

For them, the laws are only a certain "must"; according to their concepts, everything in the universe breaks up into substantial elements and from there again begins its mechanical cycle. For them there is no upward development, but an eternal stagnation.

If they are contented after their own dissolution to become a part of oxygen, carbon or nitrogen", or some other ponderable or imponderable "element", I have no objections. I can even comply with their wish and allow them to swim about as a quantum of some sort of air for some millions of years in the atmosphere of some planet. However, the time will come when also this dreamlike state will become tedious to the awareness manifesting itself, but then the road from a particle of air to a human soul will be somewhat slow and difficult!

So far I have let them do as free human beings what they like. It has indeed been the case with most of them that, when they are confronted with the so cold-bloodedly acclaimed dissolution of all

things in the form of death, they themselves would like to recant all they have written, if only it were possible, shrinking back from the desolate picture they have formed of the world and have also tried to impose on others.

Were it not for My unlimited love for, and My mercy with, these misguided children, I would certainly have to deal differently with them. However, I act like one with sight who also forgives the blind man who collides with him or even knocks him down; for the blind one does not know what he has done.

Spirit is omnipresent, no matter how much and how often your philosophers and scientists try to disavow it. Without spirit, there would be neither a creation nor a sun glittering in the sky, nor would there be any life!

Indeed, it is only spirit and the spiritual element which impart life and give a beautiful impulse to the rigid form and "life" to the seemingly dead and unfeeling matter and urge everything to the song of rejoicing for the highest and greatest Spirit, who is love personified, up to Me.

Without spirit there could be no love, and what would life be without love? Chaos, a cold nature, nothing that warms, comforts, hallows!

Even in your human-earthly life, what is life without love? Where is there a sentiment equal to love! What renders also nature beautiful and sublime? What is there in music that evokes exalted feelings? What is it that inspires and warms the poor, suffering, enduring heart?

It is the ray of love which wafts around you through the material nature and penetrates the invisible spiritual spheres, moving, urging you on towards an embrace, a drawing near to another person, where you again perceive the beating of a heart which, like yours, beats for the beautiful and holy.

What would be all that you see visible before you, did not this spiritual bond pass through all living beings, and what would unite Me with you, drawing you to Me, and Me to you, if not love?

This holy, blissful feeling, which reaches from the physical limits of your nature to far beyond all stars, where in eternal bliss and tranquility is waiting the One who gave you this gift as His very own self and wants to let you feel that without love, the world would have been created in vain!

Regard this world as nothing else but a spiritual panorama where spirits, united in thousands of forms, represent always only the same thing as they call out to you; the light-ray of a sun millions upon millions of miles distant from you, as well as the worm crawling at your feet, all join in the same hymn of praise: "God is love!"

Yes, I am "Love", I am "the Spirit", who lovingly created everything, lovingly sustains everything;

I am the God, who once descended to you on this small earth globe in order to achieve His greatest work of love and humility.

Yes, I am the God who, as Spirit or highest Potency, does not want to be alone in creation;

I am the God who wants to be a Father and wants to see loving children around Him who, although able to realize His might, shall only love Him!

These are the reasons why I now do not cease to remind you again and again by calling out:

"Do not forget your origin! You are My created beings, spiritual products! Do strive through your actions to become worthy of Me, to become My children!"

This is why all the heavens and all the depths of My creation are calling out to you, so that you may hear the same call everywhere:

"Love God above all! For He is Love, He created us for love - and only for love! Strive to become worthy of Him, so that His words to you may not be wasted!"

This call sounds everywhere. Awaken in your hearts the same feelings, please your Father with your love and prove it to Him when dealing with your fellowmen. This is the wish of your Father! Amen!" (Secrets of life, second part of chap. 16)

## **God's universal spirit. The focal point of created beings and of God**

"This spirit is free and able to move like God so that the space means nothing. A further attribute of the spirit is its ability to remember past facts as well as see future events, making spirit a master over space and time.

[11] Therefore, the spirit recognizes space as such only when it wants and creates it and the same conditions apply also to the time. There is a third, purely spiritual attribute, namely, that spirit can take in at a glance any fact, however great, in all its details. And the mightier the spirit is through the order prevailing in the soul, the more penetrating it is and all the more clearly it sees through the greatest and the most complicated things of creation. (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 4, chap. 255)

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"The field of action of the soul's outer life-sphere is limited to that area in which that soul can still find something elementary with which it has an affinity. Its outer life-sphere is like the sphere of an earthly visible light; the farther away it is from the flame, the dimmer and weaker it becomes. However, the outer life-sphere of the spirit can be likened to the ether, which is evenly distributed throughout the entire space. As soon as the spirit emerging in the soul is aroused, its outer life-sphere also is aroused up to an endless distance. Its vision, perception and action reach without the slightest limitation as infinitely far as the space of creation is filled with ether, for **the ether is actually quite identical with the eternal spirit of life within the soul. This eternal spirit of life is merely a condensed focal point of the universal life-ether filling the whole infinity. Although parts of the universal spirit, dwelling within souls, are thus separated, yet as soon as they fully penetrated the soul owing to the rebirth of the spirit, they are always completely at one with the universal spirit. Thereby they by no means lose their identity, because, as vital focal points of the soul, which actually is their body, they perceive all that exists individually in the soul encompassing them.** (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 4, chap. 226)

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"**You will have grasped that the eternal space of creation is filled with nothing else that My Spirit which is pure love, thus life, light, wisdom, clearest self-awareness, a certain feeling, perception, vision, hearing, thinking, volition and action. Within Me is the main focal point of life of this one, forever immutable, Spirit, that is yet united with its outer-life ether which fills all infinity.** In contrast to the soul's outer life-sphere which, as a substance, cannot spread beyond the limits of a certain space because of the diversity of the foreign elements it encounters, the outer life-ether of the Spirit cannot ever come across foreign elements since it is basically all things itself. Thus, it can without hindrance forever see, feel, hear and understand all. And on this is

based, easily comprehensible, the omniscience of God which you find so hard to grasp." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 4, chap. 257)

## **The development of matter**

[1] (The Lord:) "When in the first beginning I placed the spirits as My matured ideas, outside Myself and filled them with My power to such an extent, that they themselves started to think and to will, they also had to be shown an order, according to which they had to think, to will and finally to act. But with this shown and given order, an impulse had to be placed in those first beings to ignore the given order; otherwise they would never be able to make any use of their will. Only the impulse placed in them, produced a true life emotion in them, according to which they began to decide, to chose, firmly to will and to act.

[2] It is, if you know this, quite easy to understand, that already in the first created spirits a certain weed had to begin to show, because the impulse lifted many of the first created spirits out of the order and finally by the continuously mightier growing opposition they had to harden, and in this way laid the foundation of the material creation of the worlds.

[3] The first main central suns were created, and out of them finally all the countless other suns and world bodies and with them everything else what you can discover and find on, above and in them.

[4] Everything what is and called matter, was originally spiritual, which voluntary has stepped out of the good order of God, founded itself in the wrong impulses and hardened therein, which then formed matter. Matter is therefore nothing else then out of itself hardened spirit under judgment; or stated more clearly, it is the most coarse and most heavy skin or shell of the spirit.

[5] However, the spiritual can with all the still so hard and coarse surrounding shell never become so quickly complete matter, but continues to live and exist in matter, irrespective of its nature. If the matter is very hard, the spiritual life in it is also severely bound and cannot express itself or unfold any further, if it is not given any help from the outside.

[6] In a hard rock life can only reach some expression, if the rock over a long time is soften and is getting more and more eroded by rain, snow, dew, hail, lightening and other elements. Thereby some life escapes as ether into the air, some part forms itself a new and lighter wrapping, initially in the form of tender mould- or moss plants; but over time dissatisfied with this wrapping, the more freer life seizes each other and creates soon a new wrapping, wherein it can move more freely and independently.

[7] As long as the new wrapping is tender and soft, the imprisoned spiritual is quite happy and does not asked for anything better. But the initial very tender wrapping becomes by the inner activity of the spirits, which now increasingly pushes the pressing matter to the side, again harder and more coarse; therefore the spiritual life strives upwards, hence forms the blade of the grass and subsequently the trunk of the tree and tries to protect itself from the below following increasing hardening, by the continuously produced and increasingly narrower rings and incisions. But since in the end by this activity no rescue from total solidification can be expected, they narrow the lower trunk as much as possible and escape further into the small twigs, threads, leaves, little hairs and finally into the flower; but because eventual all this will within a short time become harder and harder and the biggest part of the spirits recognize, that all their efforts are in vain, they start to preserve themselves so to speak into cocoons which they quite firmly surround with to them corresponding better matter.

[8] Thereby all kind of seeds and fruits originate. But the most selfish part of the freer life in a plant does not gain much; since that what enclosed itself in a firm germ shell, must complete the journey as many times as the seed gets into the moist and life saturated earth. The other more patient part of life, which allowed itself to become a guard and carrier in the lower matter for the most keen, most timorous and most impatient life, soon decays and passes over into an even higher and freer life sphere, still continues to wrap itself, but normally already with corresponding animal forms; and what has been consumed as fruit by animals and even people, the coarser part will be used for building and feeding the flesh, while the more noble part becomes nerve-strengthening and enlivened spirit, and the very noble part becomes soul substance." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 35)

## **Greed, the origin of matter**

[1] (The Lord:) "If you look a little closer at this process, it will truly not be difficult for you, to recognize in all right depth of truth, where the weed on the pure field of life is coming from.

[2] Everything which is called world and matter, is something which is wrong and inevitably always opposing the true, spiritual order out of God, since originally it had to be placed as a counter-impulse into the enlivened, well-formed idea, placed outside of God as individual beings, to awaken their free will, and should therefore be seen as the true weed on the only true and spiritual pure field of life.

[3] Even if the weed was originally a necessity to establish a complete free, spiritual life, the free created human beings must finally recognize it as such and voluntarily remove it, because it is impossible for them to continue to exist together with it. It is a necessary means for a purpose, but can never become one with the purpose itself.

[4] The net is also a necessary means to catch fish; but who will submerge it into the water, then pull it up again and instead of the fish, roast it on the fire and enjoy it as food?! Thus the net is only necessary to catch fish; and once you have lifted the fish out of the water and put them into the pantry, one puts the net away and uses the yield achieved by it.

[5] Hence the impulse to transgress the commandment must be there; since it is an awakener of the ability to recognize and an awakener of the free will. It fills the soul with desire and joy for as long she quite well recognizes the impulse, but not giving in to it, but keep fighting it with the same free will, which was awakened and enlivened by the very impulse in her, and the free soul uses it then as a means, but not as an in it achieved purpose.

[6] The tube is never ever the wine itself, but only the holder to preserve the wine. But who would be so stupid to bite into the tube and damage it because of its attractive smell, since he knows to just open the tube at the right place, to get the pure wine out of the tube?!

[7] The weed or the impulse to transgress the law is therefore something subordinated and may never ever become the main objective; whoever makes the subordinated the main objective, resembles a fool, who wants to feed himself with the pots in which the good food is cooked, and throws the food away!

[8] But of what does this weed consists and through which decomposed life should it be fertilized? What name does therefore carry this counter-legal impulse which was placed into the enlivened forms? It is called self-love, selfishness, arrogance and finally lust for power. Indeed, by self-love the enlivened form goes into herself, but with a greed to draw everything into herself and to lock and preserve it forever in herself, to make sure that it cannot be beneficial to anybody else, out of fear

not to run into any shortage herself! By such locking-up-in-herself of everything which it continuously draws from the Divine order which feeds and maintains everything, a continuously growing solidification must take place and a certain temporary solidification and superiority and by that a special liking of itself – and this is in the full-true sense of the word and meaning selfishness, which it feels as something very weighty and tries to elevate with all strength, power and all available means above every other being, and even if it is in the most worst manner.

[9] If selfishness has achieved what it wants, it rises above everything which is similar to her and looks so to speak delight drunkenly and with disdain down on everything; and this is what one calls haughtiness. Therein is already a lot of matter and a complete field full of the most worse weed.

[10] But haughtiness is in itself of the biggest discontent, because it still makes the observation, that still not everything serves it, as he wants it. It now examines all his means and other powers and finds in order to make everything serving it, that it must play in a political manner someone easygoing and bounteous. Thought, tested and done! Because there are always more hungry than saturated, the easygoing haughtiness has an easy task. Soon all the hungry small forces gather around him and allow to be strictly ruled over them, because also they become something to catch from the wealth of haughtiness.

They now obey slavishly the haughtiness, thereby increasing his power, and the haughtiness strives immediately to rather make everything serviceable and tributary to itself. And this insatiable striving is that, what one in the truest sense calls the all destructible imperiousness, in which no love prevails.

[11] In such imperiousness already the thickest matter expresses itself; by it a planet completely hardens as granite with all possible evil elements in the best manner fully provided. But that imperiousness and with it the real dictatorship is equal to the most dense matter, is proven by the exceedingly firm castles and fortresses, behind which the rulers hide. The walls have to be a few fathoms thick and equipped with strong fighters, so that nobody dares, to penetrate the coarsest matter and to limit the ruler in his most arrogant rest. Woe the weak who dares to touch only one stone of the ruler's fortress; he soon will be crushed and destroyed!

[12] I do not refer here to the rulers and regents, which were placed as pillars by the order of God to decrease imperiousness of each individual person and to keep upright meekness and modesty of love and patience; since those by God placed regents of the nations must be that what they are, and cannot be different, as they have been driven and guided by the will of the almighty God to improve the nations. Here is only meant the general imperiousness of every individual spirit and person, and is shown what it actually is in itself. Yes, there were in fact rulers, which can be called evil tyrants! They have risen out of the nation, rebelled against the rulers which were placed by God, like once Absalom against his own father David. Such rulers are not placed by God, but by themselves, and are therefore evil and a real weed and corresponding forms of the most thickest matter.

[13] But you, My Cyrenius, and your emperor are not like that, but that according to My will, what you are – although still heathens! But to Me you are as heathens more pleasing than many kings, which as supposed to be guides of the children of God were true bodily and even more spiritual murderers of them, therefore the old thrones and crowns and scepters are forever taken away from them and the responsibility given to you most wise heathens. – I necessarily make here this addition, that you, My Cyrenius, should not think, as if you and your nephew would be sitting as a usurer on the imperious throne before Me. – And now further with our consideration about the weed on the good field!" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 36)

## The origin of the solar system

[1] (The Lord:) “Behold, just like people are now becoming to such an extent full of matter by self-love, by haughtiness and by the thereby resulting imperiousness, that they for many thousand times thousands of years cannot be completely freed thereof – in the same manner primordial created spirits existed, who also became too self-loving, selfish, arrogant and finally imperious by the impulse given to them, and the result was, that they changed into the purest matter.

[2] They have secluded themselves in large associations and set themselves up in for you unimaginable large distances. Each association didn't want to hear, see and learn anything from another in order to world-thickly indulge in self-love. By this continuously growing acceptance of self-love and selfishness and by this more and more awakened haughtiness and absolute imperiousness, the countless many life-forms finally shriveled into an exceedingly large lump according to the law of gravity, which developed by itself out of self-love and selfishness – and the physical primordial sun of a shell-globe was completed. (*Shell-globe = the total of an immense number of sun-areas, which, like individual planets around the sun, circle around the primordial central sun in immeasurable wide orbits - J.L.*)

[3] But now there exists in infinite space likewise an immense number of such systems or shell-globes, where everywhere such a described primordial central sun serves countless world dominions as a common centre, and those primordial central suns are those shriveled primordial spirit associations, from which in time of times all other solar-universes, solar dominions, adjacent-central-suns, planetary suns, planets, moons and comets originated.

[4] But how did this take place? See, inside the primordial central sun the pressure became too powerful for many of the large spirits! Rage-glowing they ignited and freed themselves from the primordial pressure. They literally fled endlessly far away from their first lump of association. For some time they swarmed totally free and harmless completely independent in endless space and had the good intention, to return by themselves to the pure spiritual order; but since they could not rid themselves of the element of self-love, they finally started again to shrivel to a firm lump, and formed central suns of the second order, which originated inside one and all the other countless shell-globes.

[5] In those central suns of the second order the main spirits incensed in time of times because of the increasing pressure, ignited and freed themselves in countless masses from the unified lump of the second order. They again had the best intentions for a pure spiritual transformation; but since they in time again found a great liking in themselves and could not completely give up self-love, they again grew in material weight and shriveled also to a large lump, and central suns of the third order were formed.

[6] But soon the same circumstances developed there as with the earlier central suns. The higher spirits, less in numbers, were in time too much pressurized by the subordinated spirits, became again infuriated and with great power thousand times thousands broke loose from the common lump, with the firm intention to now finally return to the pure spiritual. For unthinkable long periods of time they floated like far from each other separated ethereal fog masses in wide space.

[7] In recollection of the mighty pressure they had to endure, they liked this freedom. But in this inactive freedom with time they starved and they started to search for food in space – thus a saturation from somewhere outside. They found it and had to find it; since desire resembles those Nordic magnetic rocks which attract with irresistible power all iron as well as all ferrous minerals.

[8] But what was the inevitable result thereof? Their being thereby started in time to become more dense; with that soon self-love and its consequence awoke, and the inevitable result was the shriveling into a common lump, which of course required an uncountable number of earth years.

[9] Only, what is a still so long duration of time for the eternal God?! A seer from the prehistoric time once said: 'Thousand years are before God like one day!' I say to you: Thousand times thousand years are before God in all seriousness not nearly a moment! Who is an idler, for him hours become days and days years because of boredom. For the diligent and manifold active, however, hours become moments and weeks days. Since eternity God is filled with infinite active diligence and is continuously infinitely active, and the most blessed result of it is, that for Him for you unthinkable long periods of time must appear like a moment – and the full development of a sun lasts before His eyes only for a very short time.

[10] From the latter shrivelings originated and still originate the planetary suns, as the one giving light to this earth. These type of suns are in their being much gentler and softer than the central suns, but still have an immense mass of heavy matter as a result of the self-love of its eon times eon spirits, whose self love lumped together such a sun. The more noble and better spirits in this light lump experiencing in time a too heavy and unbearable pressure from the common spirits who have become completely matter; the result of this is, as with the earlier suns, violence, eruptions over eruptions, and the more noble spirits are freeing themselves.

[11] Here then awakes in them already the very serious will, to go over into the pure primordial spiritual by the observance of the true order of God. Many fight the impulse placed in them and become primordial created angels, without going through the flesh for the time being. Those however, who want to undergo the route of the flesh, either immediately on the sun or even on this earth, are allowed to do so, what actually also can take place on the earlier described central suns, but not so often as with especially this planetary sun, which provides the light for this earth, produced mainly by the great activity of its spirits.

[12] But some spirit associations, who freed themselves out of the sun lump with the best intentions, could, however, not free themselves completely from self-love and slowly started again to give in to the primordial impulse placed in them; one became two and so on in an unnoted way!

[13] Soon, already quite material, they became visible as misty comets with a long tail. What does this tail mean? It indicates the hunger of the already matter becoming spirits and the great desire for material saturation. This desire draws from the ether its corresponding matter, and such a comet, as a compendium of already quite material spirits, wanders than for many thousands of years around in ethereal space and searches for food like a tearing wolf.

[14] By this continual soaking up and feeding, it also becomes increasingly denser and denser and heavier and heavier. In time it will be attracted again by the sun from which it got away, where it must begin to orderly orbit around it. Once it had to obey such order, it becomes a planet like this earth, the morning- and evening star, or Mars, Jupiter and Saturn and some which are unknown to you.

[15] Now the planet is formed but still has an immense hunger and since it is closer to the sun as earlier when still a comet, it gets sufficient food from it, which is at the same time a bait, to draw the wanting runaway always closer and closer to itself, in order to bury it again completely after a long time – a creditable wish of the primordial created spirits in the sun, which, however, regarding the great planets, including this earth, never becomes in its own way a reality; since although the spirits banned in the planets are still very material, they are familiar with the matter of the sun and do not have a particular interest and no desire, to ever unify with the sun completely. They accept with pleasure the spirits and small spirits coming from the sun as a good strengthening and food, but about a complete unification with the sun, they want to know nothing.

[16] By times it also happens, that the once fugitive spirits as a material lump compendium been baited and attracted very close to the sun; but the tremendous diligent activity of the freest spirits surrounding the hard lump of the sun, to which mainly the shining of the outer surface of the sun is

attributed, causes, that all the spirits in the shriveled lump instantaneously raise to the highest level of activity, break up and each for itself, as one might say, make a run for it.

[17] The result of such awakened activity in a planet or at least already more ripe comet of the spirits lumped together for a long time, is the sudden and total dissolving of the lump and the redemption of many thousand times thousand and again thousand times thousand of spirits, of which the most, taught and seasoned by such lesson, are immediately turning to the right order of life and become primordial angel spirits and becoming useful guardians of their less free life brothers, as well as those languishing in the hard lump and contribute a great deal to the quicker redemption of the same. (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 37)

## **Importance and origin of the earth**

[1] (The Lord:) “However, part of such dissolved spirits still want to make the way through the flesh on any of the planets. Some go through it on the sun, on any of the belts which of course is most suitable to them; however, only to this earth are coming very few, since the way through the flesh appears to them too difficult, because here they even have to give up all recollection to any former state and enter a completely new being right from the beginning, which is not the case on other planets and world bodies.

[2] To start with the incarnated spirits there still have a dreamlike recollection of all the former states, and the result of this is that the people on other planets and world-bodies are fundamentally a lot wiser and sober than on this earth. But therefore they are not able to progress any further to a higher level of free life. They resemble, like said already before, more the animals of this earth, which have by nature a certain instinct-like education for there being, by which they always express a great skill and perfection, so that man with all his reason is not able to copy them with respect to certain actions.

[3] There are however those who take on the necessary training, that they in an emergency can be used for very simple and most coarse work, like the ox to pull, the horse, the donkey and the camel to carry, a dog to sniff out, hunt and pull; but beyond that you will not be able to teach them anything more, and regarding speech absolutely nothing can be achieved. The simple cause lies therein, that a blunt recollection to their former states imprisons the animal souls like a judgment and continuously keep them busy, so that they live in a certain anesthesia.

[4] Only with all people of this earth it is the case like nowhere else, that they lose all recollection and therefore have to start right from the beginning with a completely new life order and new education, which is setup in such a way that every person can grow to the fullest resemblance of God.

[5] Therefore such a soul can only be incarnated on this earth, which either originates from the sun where still all the primordial elements are present, already went through the way of the flesh there and as such have collected all those soul intelligence specifics, which are necessary for the perfection of the highest spiritual life – or a soul originates directly from this earth and has previously passed through all three so-called nature kingdoms, from the coarsest stone matter through all mineral layers, from there through the complete plant world and lastly through the complete animal world in the water, on earth and in the air.

[6] Of course, here one should not think of the physical body, but the soul-spiritual element which is present in its shell; since in the further analysis also the shell is soul-spiritual, but in itself it is still too common, too sluggish and too ungainly and is still a too heavy expression of self-love, selfishness, haughtiness and the most sluggish, lazy pleasure of the greediest, stingy and death-

bringing angry imperiousness. Such matter must first by manifold decaying and only partial transformation be adsorbed in a more pure soul-skin- and dress-substance; however, for an actual soul substance it will most likely never be usable.

[7] For this reason on this earth there exist many more different types of minerals, plants and animals than on all other planets and suns, of course each regarded individually. All together would probably make a greater type-sum, but every other world-body individually seen in the whole space of creation does not even contain one in a hundred thousand of the many types like here on this earth in each of its three kingdoms. Therefore only this earth is destined, to carry the children of God in the truest sense.

[8] But how and why is such? There are extremely peculiar circumstances related to this earth. As planet it belongs to this sun; but it is, strictly speaking, not like all the other planets –with exception of the one between Mars and Jupiter, which because of certain evil reasons, was already destroyed six thousand years ago, or actually was destroyed by itself and its inhabitants – from this sun, but originally comes from the primordial central sun and is in a certain regard for you an unthinkable time older than this sun. Nevertheless, it actually only became a body, after this sun has long since started, as a developed world-lump, with its first orbit around its central sun, but, nevertheless, has attracted its actual physical body mainly from this sun.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 38)

## **Origin of the moon**

[1] (The Lord:) “Before many thousand times thousand of earth years, this earth was bodily significant heavier and its spirits were severely pressed. The worst spirits got angry and separated together with a great deal of the most coarse material mass from it, and swarmed many thousands of years in a very disorderly path around this earth.

[2] Since all the parts, accept for a few lumps were still very soft and partly melted and the whole mass was constantly rotating, finally the whole mass formed a large sphere, for which the rotation around its own axis was way too slow for its small diameter, to keep the liquid on its not quite insignificant surface evenly spread, and because its orbit around the earth was very fast, resulting in the liquids concentrating always at the side facing away from earth, as a result of the old centrifugal gravity.

[3] Thereby the actual point of gravity of this round lump was continuously pushed to the side where all the liquids accumulated, in time the too slow axis rotation had come to a halt – after the lump became itself more compact, through which the water could not that easily trickle through and the waves taken along started to heavily oppose the rotation by surging against newly formed high mountain walls, and the entire lump started to show the earth, from which it was ejected, constantly only one face.

[4] And this was also good, so that its stubborn spirits could enjoy, how good it is, to be stuck in a most dry and nearly all food absent matter. Since people are living on this earth, does this part of the moon (since the lump under discussion is the moon) also serves the purpose, that the most world-loving human souls are send thereto, and from there, encapsulated in a airy-material skin, can amply watch their beautiful world from a far distance of over hundred-thousand hours walking for a few thousand years, and feel sorry for themselves that they cannot be its stingy inhabitants anymore. But that they despite all their desire cannot return to this earth anymore has been most properly provided for. But a few eons of earth years will in time bring even the very most stubborn to their senses!

[5] You have seen now how the entire material world creation has originated, up to the moons of the planets, which have almost everywhere where they exist, originated in the same manner, have the same nature and serve now the same purpose.

[6] How and for which reason the entire material world creation up to the moons has originated out of and in themselves fallen spirits, in exactly the same manner have in time on the hard and heavy world bodies originated the mountains as the first gigantic plants of a world, and later on all kinds of plants, animals and lastly man himself.

[7] Better spirits continuously extricate themselves with force from the increasing pressure of matter, dissolving their own with the power of their will. They could immediately go over to the order of the pure spirits; but the old stimulus still exercises also its old power. Self-love immediately awakens again, the plant sucks, the animal eats, and the soul of man searches, hardly entering the old God-form, most greedily for material food and a similar, sluggish well-being; therefore she must immediately encapsulate herself with a material body, which is nevertheless, more tender than the old, sinful matter. Despite the more tender body, the soul in it, nevertheless increases self-love to such an extent, that she would again become the hardest matter, if I wouldn't have placed a guard, a spark of My spirit of love, in her heart." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 39; *much more about the moon you can find in the book "Earth and Moon" – also through Jakob Lorber*)

## **The World of thought**

I have told you many things about My creation, let you take many a glance into the most profound secrets of My spiritual nature, revealed to you the reciprocal action between spirit and matter and explained to you the importance and necessity of the great central suns, as well as of the minutest infusorian. I have shown you the correlation of everything, how, originating from Me, it forms a chain down to the last indestructible atom. However, the fundamental explanation of all this is still missing, namely, the foundation stone as well as the corner stone of My creation, of Myself and of you. This corner stone or first motor of all there is, which always was and will be, the First Cause of everything, is the thought, from which all other threads originate. This thought, and the whole world of thoughts as purely spiritual factors, shall now be displayed before your eyes, like a grand panorama, from where you can gain a strictly spiritual view over the whole of creation, over all there has been and will be.

For without a thought, no spirit-realm and no material world would have come into existence or been created. Indeed, if I wanted to show you My essence spiritually, I would have to do so in the context of infinity. For only this thought wholly characterizes Myself, Which is infinite as to time, space and might.

If you would put yourselves back into primordial times, when no star shone in the firmament, no sun orbited around another, when even the spirit-world had not been created, it is that very time when only My thought, I alone, had My being, shone and existed.

Around Me, everything was dark, lifeless and rigid; only I was alive. As a living, eternal Thought, I alone shone in the whole of creation or, in other words, only I was aware of existing, where the thought living, and life light, as stimulator of life, alone existed.

You see, there the world consisted only in one Being, one Thought in infinite ether with all its dormant elements, finding its expression through its indwelling center, Myself, alive and existing.

There, I alone knew: I am, I live. And if you want to understand this condition in the least, compare it with yours, who are aware of being a complete whole within the entire creation, where everyone is aware of what it means: I am, I live.

You say: "I am," yet thousands upon thousands of other processes are taking place within you, without your being aware of them. You call out: "I am!", and the spiritual garment of your soul, extending to the capillary nerve endings of skin, comprises your whole Self without your being aware of the dimension or extent of the human body.

Thus is, and once was, also Myself. I lived, My whole Being comprised the infinite ether, and it required only a stimulus from within to incite this far-flung, never-ending external aspect of Myself into animating activity.

Thus the thought preceded the action, it was the thought that first created the Spiritual, and then the Spiritual in the material.

Without the thought, nothing stirred from the center, Myself. Therefore, it was the world of thought which, at first vividly expressed in all details, gave My spirits placed outside of Me, and My material world the impulse to come into being, exist and maintain and perfect themselves.

And so you must understand the world of thought as a spiritual, abstract world, in which the thoughts are the first stimulators, assimilators and preservers of all that is called the invisible spiritual and the visible material world.

My first thought in creating the world and wishing to see My consciousness reflected in the spirits and living beings, where the relation always remained that existing between light and reflection, was: "Let there be", and with this, everything originating from My innermost Being, down to the last atom, was given life. Spiritually and later, materially, the assimilation of that which was compatible began. And what the functions in your body effect even in the minutest fibers, can be applied also to Me:

From one thought of "let there be", millions upon millions of consequences developed, as the result of cause and effect. Everywhere the thought was the inciting principle, its further development being the following success. Thus, finally, from a thought held by Me, as infinite God and Creator, the great spirit-family and the great material world came into being, which are eternal, just as I am. Likewise, My creational thoughts, their progress from their origin, their development and perfecting, everlasting or infinite, always advancing and one thought developing and continuing from another, are eternal.

I had to tell you all this beforehand in order to convey at least a remote idea of thought, its spiritual dimension and importance. For the spontaneously evolving thought can finally create a world full of thoughts, so that in the end all that exists is merely the visible envelopment of an invisible spiritual world of thought.

I had to say all this in advance, for you are usually quick to deal with the idea of a word without bothering to penetrate to its deeper, spiritual core. You often speak about thinking and thought in such a thoughtless manner that it is amazing how you, as intelligent beings sprung from a spiritual Being such as Me, can have such superficial concepts of that which sets you apart as denizens of two worlds – an infinite spiritual and a forever self-regenerating material world.

I have proven to you that the thought is the essential component of all that is created, and explained the further developmental factor which, having evolved spontaneously, exerts a spiritual influence on the matter enveloping it. Let us now return from our spiritual sphere of creation to more narrow spheres closer and more comprehensible to you, because they partly touch on your own life and partly even wholly constitute your spiritual and material life, forming, maintaining and perfecting the same.

At this point I emphasize that, just as in the great space of creation the worlds formed and evolved through the animating thought, your earthly material garment, or the outward expression of your inner psychic man, forms and evolves in accordance with his inherent world of thought, which then imprints its type on both the outer form and the innermost Spiritual.

Thus you will see that this great world of thought is in fact the sole true spiritual world, according to which one day everything will be judged and classified. For with Me the thought was the first causative element, and so it is also in every living being the factor which one day, evaluated, will imprint their full face value on the actions and deeds following it.

When I sounded the first thought into the vast expanses of space, prompting the entire visible and invisible world into existence through the "let there be", everything began to take on form according to My Being. Since I, as God, am infinite and as Being am only love combined with infinite vision, only capable of creating Spiritual or material similar to Me, also the worlds and even the spirits were created in accordance with the Creator of love and wisdom as such. They were all perfect, without fault, in conformity with divine laws regulated to maintain and perfect themselves, thus conforming to the great aim held by Me, the Creator.

What I did at that time, and the way My works correspond to Myself, as Creator and eternal Being of love, applies also to you, as spiritual beings:

Your outer appearance is the faithful reflection of the innermost. However, in your case, you cannot read in each other's face what the soul in hieroglyphic letters often has imprinted on it. Only sometimes does the eye, the mirror of the soul as you call it, whether you like it or not, betray what shines from the interior.

That science which once a zealous defender of truth and love (J.C. Lavater, Zurich) tried to establish, physiognomy, has not been pursued for the benefit of mankind, and the world would be a different place if everyone could see immediately what kind of person his fellowman is.

How this happens I will also explain to you, so that you may see how analogous everything is in the whole of creation and that a permanent law applying on a large scale is applicable also on a small scale.

I have just told you that the awareness of being alive fills the whole human soul and, with it, the natural physical exterior, in the same measure as My great universe is filled by My divine life-consciousness and constitutes the true reflection of the same.

Everything in My creation forms according to My divine laws and can only bring forth what is divine, sublime and beautiful since all creational elements originate from the center, Myself, spreading to the remotest spaces wherever a world can shine. Everywhere they strive after the same principles and everything created is the reflection and expression, in various images and creations, of Myself. So without your volition, the world of thought within you acts in the same way, exerting a greater or lesser influence on the various organs necessary for the execution of the thought. This is carried out by a mechanical process, where the skin or other integuments of various organs faithfully reflect and mirror outwardly what in the inner psychic man constitutes his pet thoughts.

It is through thoughts, or the world of thought, that the mechanical life-process is accelerated, retarded or even destroyed. Depending on the stimulating effect of the thoughts on the nerves, the latter affect the organs that they serve as conductors. Thus also health, sickness or even death are not a direct result of the disruption of the functions in the human body, but the causative factor behind a healthy or sick body, the maker of a beautiful or ugly exterior, is the fleeting, invisible thought, which makes the nerves tingle and accelerates the processes of elimination or the metabolism. Since most passions are the result of thoughts nurtured with love and leave their

traces in the human countenance, beautiful or ugly facial forms are the reflection of the inner soul-life.

You can see what joys, what sufferings originate for man from this imperceptible, yet incessant activity of the inner spiritual life; conversely, how disturbed vital functions react on the spirit, even clouding it, so that man judges the world, the general situation and himself in a totally different way from how it should be, the consequences being sickness, suffering, stiffness, or even premature death.

All this originates in the world of thought that in its reaction on the body, where the body in turn reacts on the spirit, influences man to form other conclusions, commit other actions. Since everything is spiritually linked, this world of thought exerts an influence on other people, families and nations, where the spiritual results are of a far-reaching effect, particularly when people in power, spiritually sick, bring misery and suffering over whole nations, who do not know why this is so and are oblivious of the fact that a pet idea held by their ruler is undermining his health and forcing him to wrong conclusions, thus spreading untold misery. Then I am usually blamed, whereas all I have to do with it is to turn into good the evil caused by spiritually and physically sick people.

When you thus contemplate the whole invisible world of thoughts, what a surging to and fro, a profusion of thought towards good or evil issuing from a single person often spreads to thousands and millions of others; how a stone thrown into a still water forms circles upon circles around it until this movement disturbs the stillness of the water in far distant spots where the smaller denizens of these distant shores are unable to understand or surmise that the reason for the destruction of their dwellings and the death of their young is a stone often wantonly flung far away from them.

Thus the ocean of thought is forever surging and flowing. In all living beings thoughts are fermented which rise like bubbles out of still water. Everything thinks, feels, seeks to improve its conditions, its life, everything builds, destroys, makes endeavors, tries to extract from the known the unknown. Therefore, this great world of thought is actually the main factor of My creation. For this world, like Mine, is unlimited, eternal and, if circumstances allow it, infinite.

Therefore, endeavor to keep a tight rein on this spiritual world of thoughts, strive to think only as befits My children. For the thought is the creator of your exterior in this life, and your mark for the beyond. There you will arrive with the result left by the thoughts held by you on your earth. Here it is hidden from you and others; not so there. The exterior is secondary to the innermost, the outward expression being a reflection of the innermost. There no pretence is possible nor is there any secret before others; every one reads the thoughts in the other and, accordingly, the moral worth or worthlessness of the individual.

This world of thought, as the spiritual carrier of matter, is so powerful because it untiringly creates, builds, destroys, changes and transforms, in this way forming a chain. But, seen as a whole, it is of the utmost importance, for, depending on the circumstances, the faint rising and evaporating thought is followed by the deed, the consequences of which are no longer borne by those who think it as individuals, but by the entire spiritual and material world.

One cannot visualize infinity better than by imagining it as a world of thought. For all known velocities, all distances and spaces of time disappear when compared with the velocity of thought, with its might and effect, particularly when it is endowed with the former and helped by the latter.

Therefore, My children, take good care to walk in the great realm of the world of thought as people worthy of Me. Whenever a forbidden thought steals upon you, blot it out or watch it carefully. For it is only a short step between thought and action, and its consequences press heavily upon you, as the originators of the thought.

Do not flatter yourselves with the idea that "they were only thoughts and far from being realized!" This is not true; by this you deceive yourselves. For as I just said, if the opportunity arises, the thought turns into action that, although repented, cannot be blotted out. It stands as a fact, as a pillar of thought on your life's path and you can then either rejoice at it or be ashamed of it.

I did not give you this word in vain. Everything has its Why, and a great Why is also at the bottom of this, for I know only too well how you make light of the thought process and how you consider that which actually is strongest to be weakest. For the thought is a spiritual potency, and such forces are not to be trifled with.

I must enlighten you, thereby rendering the scales of your conscience even more sensitive, for you belong forever to My spiritual realm and only for a short time to the material one.

Learn to think independently! Learn to think logically! Learn to think morally! You must become conversant with these three ways of thinking and you will find it easier to unravel the future, evaluate the present and to build your spiritual Self in preparation for the other life.

In the surging ocean of thought of millions of beings, strive never to lose the grip on the steering wheel of your spiritual man; the thought either blesses or condemns you. This is your inner worthiness that is valid now and forever.

What good is it if the people idolize you while you must recriminate yourselves for your weakness, your fickleness. One day you will have to pity the idolizers on account of their delusion, as well as your own Self.

The world of thought, as a ledger of your Self, is your manual accompanying you, your safe conduct here and your passport for eternity, where all your distinguishing marks are entered which will decide your future course.

Strive to avoid empty pages in your ledger, as tokens of wasted time, but also thoughts written on those pages which, should they be open to scrutiny, would make you feel ashamed of yourselves.

The thinking man is your living photograph, painted by the light of the spirit. Strive to make it a success that shows you how you shall be if one day you wish to be called "My children".

In a photograph taken of a person the material sunlight does not hide any flaws but renders everything relentlessly onto the paper receptive for this light. Likewise My spiritual light of truth shows to the man arriving in the beyond the human form built by his inner thinking man during the course of his earthly life. Happy he who passes this thought-test and presents, apart from a few flaws due to unintentionally committed faults, an image conforming to the rules of beauty, love and wisdom which as a first thought I had laid into the whole world and into all beings!

So much on this thought. Recognize and ponder My words! Time, the all-consuming time, robs you of minute upon minute. Life passes like a dream and an awakening is in store for you in the eternal light of My spirit-world where thoughts, imponderable things in this life, weigh heavily on the scales of moral value. For there, spirits weigh what is spiritual and designate for everyone his spiritual course anew.

And so you are given this word that it may show you the bridge leading away from matter. You have been given it already here so that you may attain to the citizenship of a world that you have once inhabited and to which you must return again. Having once been there, as divine offshoots of My creational ideas, you shall soon return there as purified spiritual human beings, drawing ever nearer to Me and My spirits! Amen." (Secrets of life, chap. 22)

## Infinity

"The infinite space with all its beings is My atmosphere, infinite like a Myself. Into it everything streams out from Me, going out into infinity in order to undergo the great process of purification. For it has already become partly material through this atmosphere. And this infinite space again returns to Me all that Spiritual which was formed in it, is used up and has ceased to be material. Thus it replenishes My spiritual Being by returning to Me in other beings of every kind My love, My Spirit in all gradations spiritually. In so doing, it forms the spirit-realm surrounding Me, where love as an idea stands before Me, personified in figures and forms, all of which express spiritually what, once given them by Me, is now perfected as a spiritualized spirit-man or a spiritual being.

[...] the infinite space where all matter, dissolved in minutest atoms, always has the capacity for assimilation, for the linking of like to like.

[...] infinite are also you! You have not begun only with your birth, oh no, long ago, even from eternity, you too have been existing, only not as human beings, as single individuals, but as matter, with the same imperishable substance as all matter. *The Spiritual within you is a spark out of Me, of My divine self. It only became aware of its existence once the other two factors, the soul and the body, together with the spirit formed the trinity, as it exists also in Me. For also Myself consists, firstly, in all that is created and exists as matter, secondly, in the entire realm of souls, which urges on everything for a purpose and, thirdly, in the divine eternal principle, which lends their eternal permanence and divine worth to the former.*

So we are body, soul and spirit, I on a large scale, and you and all that lives and has its being, are on a small scale, formed according to the same principles. And for this very reason the physical strives to develop into soul-substance and the soul-substance into the Spiritual. This is, must be and will be the gamut of everything infinite that this life, as a seeming efflux of a spiritual potency, is actually nothing else but the power of My will, which manifests in millions of different ways." (Secrets of life, chap. 30)

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[7] Look, the fact that the space of creation is infinite and thus can have no end in any direction, is very clear to me and certainly also to everyone. But what is the actual eternity of it? Who has stretched out space so infinitely far, and how and when? What is actually eternity, and how, in time and space, is God Himself eternal and infinite in everything? Look, Lord and Master, that is for a mortal human being regarding You certainly a very improper question, but can a soul who has a need of light, help it if such thoughts come up in him?

[8] I said: "You named it a very improper question regarding Me. I however, call this a very good and very proper question, and will give to all of you an answer that is as clear as possible.

[9] Look, GOD, space and eternity are again equal to the concepts of Father, Son and Spirit. The FATHER is entirely Love and consequently an eternal striving for the most perfect existence by the power of the eternal will in that love. SPACE, or the SON, is also from that eternal striving of love the eternal resulting existence. ETERNITY, or the SPIRIT, as the endless initial power in the Father and the Son is the working of and accomplishment of the strivings of the love in the Son.

[10] If space started from one point that expanded in all directions unto infinity, then firstly it was as little as infinite as the great Cosmic Man. Secondly, the question arises out of itself: what was that which undoubtedly surrounded that point endlessly far in all imaginable directions from which later the infinite space of creation expanded. Was it the ether without light, or was it the heathenish chaos, or was it a complete firm substance, or was it the air or water or fire?

[11] If it was one of those named things, then how did that point in space have the power in itself to drive such endless large quantities of substances out of itself endless times into the infinite. And where did those substances end up if the eternal endless space came from this original point? Then there is no other possibility except that they have to be outside of the endless space, just like in the beginning when they were also outside of that point out of which the endless space would have come forth. However, if this could be somehow imaginable, then the space of creation would again be limited, and even if it would expand eternally farther and farther, then it still could never be infinite.

[12] With this you can see that the space of creation was out of necessity eternally endless in all directions and can never have known a beginning. And since God, space and eternity are identical - just like I already have told you - then God, who unites all these concepts in Himself, is also without beginning, for a beginning of God is quite as inconceivable as the beginning of the existence of the endless space and at the same time of the eternal time. I believe that this is now made clear enough, so that everyone can understand this.

[13] But I still can see a certain dark rock in you, and you still are not able to climb over it. Look, this rock exists of the fact that you are imagining the endless and eternal space as dead in itself and without any life intelligence. And therefore you also cannot understand how God as the only eternal life principle has found in a certain way Himself in the eternal and endless death and has recognized and understood Himself as the most perfect life.

[14] Yes, if one has such an idea of the endless and eternal space of creation, then he can indeed very difficult or not at all understand how the infinite Spirit-God was able to find also in eternity His way in the eternal endless death as a perfect life.

[15] Therefore, form yourself precisely an opposite idea of the eternal endless big space. Imagine that in it there is not a single little point that is without life and without intelligence, and that even that which is in your eyes dead and which seems to be completely without life, is not dead and without life, but only judged by God's almighty will, just like you yourselves can observe from a heavenly body or from its apparent lifeless elements.

[16] However, if all heavenly bodies with their most divers elements are nothing else and also cannot be anything else except ideas and thoughts of Himself that are fixed by God's almighty will, then how can they be considered by men as dead and without any intelligence?

[17] If God, who is identical with the endless space and its eternal time, is in Himself entirely the highest and most perfect Life, then how can that which wholly comes out of Him be dead, without life and without intelligence?

[18] Consequently, that which exist and which seems to be dead in your eyes, is only judged by God in this way and can return to the complete free life as soon as God will unloose the firm bands of His will of such a judged thing.

[19] You have seen something similar with Me and with My permission also with Raphael when stones were suddenly changed into their original ether, or when this ether became a firm stone of which the pillar along the way to Emmaus gives you a very tangible example.

[20] Since all this is so and can impossibly be otherwise, you should, in order to really come to a true representation of God, completely ban from the endless space all that which is in relation to dead, and imagine nothing else than life and once more life and nothing else than intelligence and once more intelligence, for in the endless Being of God's intelligence and power no death can exist." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 18, Chap. 76)

## **Life of spirits and cosmic life**

“Earlier, in the chapters on “The World of Thought” and on “Life”, I have shown you in a few words the many-sidedness of spiritual life, and how it must be understood, so as to have a dim concept of My world and of My might.

In “Words for Short-Sighted People” I have admonished you to study My nature in its vastness. For a great, almighty Creator you can more easily grasp and understand in His great works, although to a thorough investigator on his round in My insignificant works I must also appear great, unrivalled in the tiniest infusorian.

I have said all this in advance so that you may always keep your spiritual eyes and ears open in order to perceive the stream of spiritual light and the tone or the voice of My spiritual cosmic language as it proclaims to you in, and out of, all that is created, the great hymn of eternal love and of never ceasing Mercy, which at every step and with every pulse-beat preaches to you of the Father’s love and His grace.

In the word on “Time” I informed you as to what time is and how you shall use it, and under “Human Dignity” I told you what you should do and should not do in order to become My children in My image, and how you should act in worthiness of this image. Under “The World of Thought” I explained to you how everything materially created, every deed will once be weighed and judged only according to its origin, the idea behind it. Now I am sending you another word, full of sublime creational spirit, so as to more clearly present to you a new view of My creation and My aim with it. This will make you learn to see and, in the midst of the worldly chaos and the bustle of worldly-human passions, recognize that far beyond all the physical-material it is the Spirit, My will, the great supporter of all that is created, which makes the same come into being, sustains it for a while and then by changing its form leads it towards a higher goal.

In “The World of Thought” I told you that the thought, the guiding principle, is superior to anything material, that it is indeed the basis for all that exists. And now I will prove to you that the bustle of the world of thought, when the latter is considered as a spirit-realm, is also the actual factor in all-manifesting life, in all that exists and perishes. For in order to understand and grasp My creation, which is only a spiritual product, you must think as spirits, must contemplate My work as spirits, and must regard the course of the entire spiritual-material life as spirits, if you wish to form a proper idea of Me, of My creation, its duration and of yourselves. Otherwise you are blind in the midst of the shining light of My wonders, in the midst of the great harmony-concert of My music of the spheres and My cosmic music, to be likened to the deaf.

And so I will now take you with Me on a spiritual flight through the spirit world divested of all matter, so that you may recognize and grasp who He is who created the world surrounding you, why He created it and why He endowed you, as well as all the intelligent beings living as spirits, according to their capacity, with means enabling you to understand and grasp Him, the almighty Lord and Creator, as well as Him, the Father who loves you everlastingly.

You see, the world, both the great spirit-world and the material world, which is merely an envelope of the former, was created so as to visibly express what, invisible for material beings, for a long time had been and forever will be existing in the spirit-realm, as the primordial carrier of all that is beautiful, true and good, as an expression of Myself and My attributes.

This visible material world, which, merely enveloping what is spiritual, must serve as a guide and a means to perfect; this great material world, beginning with the central suns to the tiniest infusorian, has thus the sole purpose of leading the spiritual laid into it to a higher level through matter. However, only the Spiritual imprisoned in matter is destined to always stimulate matter to this perfecting process, so that it alone can remain at the end of all purified and spiritualized matter as a

permanent, never-to-be-destroyed eternal, thus bearing witness to Him who created it and who, as an eternal God, could only create what is eternal, but not ever what is transient.

Now look, My children! Rise above matter and regard everything created as a spiritual product and it will become clear to your spiritual eye what spiritual life and what material life is. For spiritual life is the eternal urge of the spirit bound in matter, and material life is the changes manifesting through this urge in the visible material world, such as coming into being, existing and passing away.

Well, the whole of infinity is full of spiritual beings, because infinity constitutes Myself, just as your body constitutes visibly the core of your soul.

All the Spiritual in infinity has its expedient progress, everything has its purpose, its Why, where it must be bound, where loosed and when, if bound in matter, it can again, freed of the same, exist as an independent Spiritual!

Thus the present world came into being, thus ever new worlds will emerge from the ones which dissolved and passed away, and thus infinity establishes itself as a concept comprehensible also to finite beings.

Just as the smallest spiritual particle, imprisoned in hard rock and manifesting its life through matter, always urges the rock towards a transformation, a dissolution to become on higher levels something different, so also whole cosmic systems, whole spaces and even, finally, the entire visible world. It is this spiritual-material urge, called "life" because it manifests as motion, as action, which, everywhere the same, according to the same principle urges on the smallest worm as well as the greatest solar body, or the angel-spirit still clothed in material envelopment, to higher levels, higher beatitudes and greater delights.

Your own body should only serve toward the soul's spiritualization, by a proper conduct and as a right tool letting itself be used only for actions worthy of a human being and thereby effecting and speeding up the spiritualization process of your soul. Likewise, the greatest central sun and the entire great universal man who has a task which cannot be calculated in terms of time, so that the Spiritual, more and more liberated, free, led towards higher levels, can fulfill its purpose.

Just as in "The World of Thought" I have elucidated for you the entire spiritual sphere, which is actually the carrier of all that is visible, I now want to make you understand and grasp the idea!!! of a spiritual life, which urges matter to spiritualize itself, whereby it becomes visible to your eyes as material life.

This urging and driving goes on incessantly, like the flow of time, the life of the world of thought. Coming into being, temporary existence and again passing away, these are the visible proofs of the never-resting spirit-world: forever the urge to move forward and upward! From the smallest ether-atom upwards everything drives towards a beginning, an existing and passing away or a passing into a higher order.

Look at your own world with spiritual eyes, how varied are the changes there, how much Spiritual is freed at any moment, voluntarily or involuntarily, to enter into other combinations.

Watch the living beings and animals of every kind, what a consuming, what murder!

Even you people, how many spiritual lives even you destroy daily, so as to provide food or exquisite dainty morsels for your stomach!

How many animals you dispatch to the other world because you have nothing spiritual to occupy your mind and, as with needless hunts, only the pleasure in murder is your pastime!

Millions upon millions of released souls of the animal world fail through this not always justifiable behavior their real destiny of reaching their goal on a slow road. Most of their spiritual particles must first pass through the consumer and in and through him continue their further progress.

But, although this happens, where many a thing is contrary to My will and to My laws, it does not in the least delay the universal developmental progress to which I have subjected the world, but this developmental progress is only speeded up by such an albeit unlawful conduct. And if trespasses against My laws result in dire consequences, only the perpetrators and plotters of such calamities themselves are punished, namely, through their own behavior. But nothing prevents Me, in accordance with My intended plans, from leading My worlds to maturity, from receiving back My Spiritual, which I had laid into them, spiritualized!

Thus the entire visible world and its visible life are only the apparent, which has as its basis the more profound Spiritual. And so, not only with the smallest animalcule or the solid rock, but also with great worlds, the duration of everything depends on the liberation of its Spiritual bound in its covering.

As with you human beings after the natural course of your life, death should only occur when your soul has matured for the transition to the beyond, so it is with worlds and central suns. Once everything in them is spiritualized, they pass away or dissolve gradually, become more and more spiritualized and their matter becomes lighter and lighter until it is like air or gas, when they (the worlds) will only be destined for beings clad in the lightest material envelopments.

Just as your own body will ultimately on the highest spiritual level no longer be clothed in this heavy matter with which you are encumbered today; also your earth will be spiritualized in the distant future, carrying instead of solid, heavy matter only ethereal substances, ethereal dwellers, who, spiritualizing themselves more and more in step with their earth globe, also pass over, not through great cataclysmic events, but together with their abode, to other circumstances which will be suitable to their spiritual level of understanding.

So you see how the spiritual life develops gradually from the material, how the one is merely the expression of the other. And you understand more easily how I created the worlds and have an idea as to how great must be the periods of time necessary to effect such processes of spiritualization. However, you still have no spiritual vision to see the velocity of thought with which this developmental process occurs. You still have no idea as to what a time-second achieves million-fold relative to this process of purification and ennoblement. You even fail to recognize in the worldly political bustle of your small earth globe the spiritual wind that makes the great strings of the spiritual world-instrument vibrate. The harmonies are sounding throughout infinity; but you behave like people who are deaf and dumb, fail to recognize, see and hear how everything rushes with the speed of a tempest, with the velocity of the world of thought, to prepare the way for the process of liberation from the imprisoned matter.

You read newspaper articles, but you fail to read between the lines, to conjecture behind the words, as material earners of a spiritual world of thought, the great spirit-life behind them, which, far above all petty calculations and human sophistry, pursues its course of development unhampered. For this very reason I will again give you a hint so that you may wake up from your worldly dreams and clearly realize that far beyond all earthly mountains and thrones, up there in yonder spirit-world other laws are valid than those written in the human codex. These laws give life to both a central sun and to the tiniest atom so that they will be able to fulfill their purpose through it, that means to spiritualize themselves and thus again draw near the source of all light from where they were once sent forth so as to pass through their process of life and development individually, be it as a great world globe or as a worm.

You are driven more by a thirst for knowledge to read My words. So far you have not grasped one word, as a spiritual man, as My offspring could grasp it. Your life is still too materially orientated, you still belong always more to the world and not to yourselves, let alone to Me. For this very reason I must send you from time to time words of admonition so that you may awaken, so that you may, at least in the time of spiritual concentration, be able to soar above the ordinary life. That you may open your eyes and ears to that which always and incessantly radiates and sounds towards you from all corners of creation, namely, that you are spirits, who, only for a short time clothed in matter, soon will enter again into other circumstances, where only your spiritual but not your material life will be weighed and valued.

Therefore, do not let Me admonish you in vain. John's vials of wrath will be emptied, and already some of them are. The seals of the great book of creation will be broken and times will be coming when you will need all your spiritual resources to resist the worldliness and retain strength and courage.

So endeavor to understand My words, grasping them as I am giving them to you so that you will not be taken unawares if, for instance, the spiritual life urges the material to the destruction of old-established ways of life and there will be knocks at your heart in rapid succession, just as I once did with My disciples prior to My being taken prisoner, when I called out to them several times: "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation!"

This I am calling out also to you: Recognize the spirit-life! Wake up from your worldly sleep! Recognize the time as it presses on towards the solution, realize from the ruin of everything noble in the world that the time is not far when the people will harvest what they have sown. Recognize the stream of light that begins to pour over your world. Listen to the voices of the spirit-world that in great sound waves hit your ears. They are the admonishing words of a loving Father, who, in the rush of events, does not want to lose and forfeit His children, but who wants to uphold them and even, if possible, to increase their number, so that the spirit-life may be properly and truly valued by them and they may all understand, even if worlds go to pieces, namely: The love of a heavenly Father cannot waver, cannot punish, but can only, faithful to His laws of love, lead everything to perfection within the appointed time. Then everything can return to the place from where it has gone forth, so that, finally, the Father and the child learn to understand each other and the child understands what it means to be led, guided by Him, the One who makes worlds orbit around worlds and who, despite all the wonders and splendor of an infinite creation, does not forget even the smallest worm!

This is how you shall understand My creation and grasp the spiritual and the material life. Only in this way will tranquility enter your hearts, only in this way do you learn to understand and understand My words, and how and why I give them to you.

As long as you have not reached this stage you are still apprentices, but no children of Mine!

My children must be able to view My nature with a spiritual, open eye, must there, divesting the Spiritual of the material, learn to recognize what is true. They must understand the voice of My spirit-world, must lend their spiritual ears to the soothing melodies of My heavenly music. They will then grasp and understand that, although matter is the means of encasing the whole, it was only in this way possible to unravel the Spiritual hidden in matter to a living being, thereby bringing nearer to him the Creator of everything spiritual and material.

When, ultimately, your eyes and ears, spiritually educated, will grasp the whole perfecting process of all that lives and exists, you yourselves have reached the level spiritually due to you and which every human being should strive for. Then he no longer measures time and the duration of matter. Then he clearly recognizes that high above all that exists and lives the spirit-world is reigning and

that matter and the material life, called transience, are only mediating factors, which, although they must be there as a means to an end, are not the quintessence of life.

This is the veil of Isis, whom the ancient Egyptians venerated as the goddess of truth and of whom they said that no mortal could lift her veil.

They were right; for whosoever, lifting this veil, can and may look into the face of divine truth, knows for certain that, firstly, he has looked at something immortal and that, secondly, being immortal himself, only he can grasp and understand the same. For him, physical matter has ceased to be a burden. It is merely an envelopment which, in step with the recognition of truth, becomes lighter and lighter and more ethereal. And even if matter is separated from the Spiritual through physical death, it is not a forcible separation but only a light, gentle passing from one state to another, which must be painless since the bonds of spirit and body, spiritualized, do not have to be torn apart, but only gently loosened so as to release the last obstacles for the inner psychic man whose spirit already here in the earthy body has become purer, enabling him to confidently soar up to a higher, spiritual life.

To facilitate this to you, My children, is the purpose of all My words. For in the beyond a spirit-world with different conditions and different circumstances awaits you. In qualifying you for this new calling awaiting you in the future I do not shun the effort of making you understand that there is only one God, who is nothing but love, and who likewise wants to educate you only for love. For love is the ultimate purpose of all that is and comes into being. My creation can be grasped only with and through love, and love is the only thing that impresses on My beings the spiritual nobility whereby they may be called "My children"!

A loving heart understands the language of My nature, the language of My spirit-world, and knows how to explain matter, its life and its form in accordance with the law of love!

**Therefore, above all, learn to love!**

Cast out all other attributes from your hearts, and your spiritual eyes and ears will be open to receive My spiritual life of love. Learn to first grasp the content of My words spiritually, and you will then understand why I had so much patience with you to make you loving children of a forever loving Father!

In this way you spiritualize your Self, bringing it close to Mine, and achieve the maturity to pass on in tranquility and peace also to others what is living in all fullness within you.

Do remember this well and accept this word as a new proof of My grace and My never-wavering patience in leading back the lost children to the hearth of light after they have been walking in darkness long enough.

Thus, this word on Spirit and Cosmic Life shall serve you as further proof that you have by far not the proper comprehension as yet for My words and I still find it necessary to add to all that has been said, so that all the secrets of My creation may be clearly revealed to your eyes and you may precisely through them recognize Me, their Creator, as such and as your Father. For the more you grasp Me and My words spiritually, the more you spiritualize your own Self, preparing yourselves in this manner for the transition to higher levels, which without this cognition could not possibly be attained, for life is short and eternity is long. That is why My concern for the sojourn in the latter, for the trial-life in the former has to be regarded merely as a probation school or trial-period.

So use the earthly probation school to equip yourselves with that which you will once need there as a basis. Use the short span of time and My words, which I always give you in abundance, so that the harvest will be a credit to the sowing and you, prior to entering the spirit-life, know what actually constitutes life, what spirit-life, cosmic and what material life.

Only thus armed with spiritual knowledge your progress will be easy, and you will grow in cognition and wisdom, depending on how you will fulfill these conditions.

A spirit must know the extent of the difference between a sham-life and a life that is true and real in order to be able to judge in what way the obstacles impeding him are apt to further his progress instead of holding him back.

Only endowed with this clear insight can a spiritualized person calmly face the future, for he does not expect heaven to come from without, but carries it within himself. This is why worldly disturbances are for him no disturbances, but only stimuli that will solidify and strengthen his faith on his course.

Thus you must be steeled through what you gain inwardly by battling so that you will be able to fulfill your mission towards yourselves and others.

As long as you yourselves have only a half-faith, a half-trust and little patience, you are still far from recognizing the great driving wheel of the spirit-life, which, while moving everything, tries to gather also you into this movement towards ire universal goal.

So follow My advice, ponder My words well, consider from whom they are and to whom they are directed!

I, as the Father of all My created beings, leave no stone unturned to help everyone and to lighten his path. However, if he does not want to be helped, the adverse circumstances accruing from that will not be charged to Me, but only to him

“Ponder everything, and retain what is good!”

This is what I once said, and this is what I am calling out to you lest you should fall if the time of temptation should come when, left to your own devices, you will have to blame yourselves for the consequences.

As matters stand, the spirit-life is the fundamental basis of all there is, the material life being merely its visible factor. Whosoever confuses both or even denies the former, will finally become aware that through his denial the matter is not closed, but that through it, the spiritual eye will only become totally blind and the soul deaf to all the voices of the surrounding nature.

If the process of the spirit-life were not so awfully fast, one could say as you often do in the proverb: “Comes time, comes counsel” However, this calculation is misplaced here. For the time lost brings back nothing and the new time always brings something new, unlike that which is past, and so it is the foremost law to use the time, lest the result of future realization be remorse over the squandered time. Therefore, My children, do take everything more seriously, take My words more seriously, take things concerning your time more seriously lest My words will be preached to deaf ears!

Your Father intends this to be for your instruction and for your spiritual progress! Amen. (Secrets of life, chap. 23)

## **Satan’s soul**

“We already know that a soul may be re-divided, because she is composed of countless particles of intelligence. This will occur either for total dissolution or in specific partial concentrations, in accordance with the kinds and various numbers of the united individual intelligences within, so as to assume corresponding formations.

There are many examples of this phenomenon in and upon the Earth. Look at the various metals, plants, and animals, which clearly provide you with many such examples whereby psychic or astral connections may shape themselves into the most peculiar formations. They are no more than external material pictures of internal soul forms, because the external form can only correspond to the internal one; as the internal power of formation, thus is the effect of the external form.

Such a division of the soul occurred when the first human pair was created, when out of one soul two souls came, because nowhere is it said that the Creator breathed life into Eve; instead, Eve came forth from Adam with a body and a soul. Into this second soul was also placed an immortal spirit; thus out of one human being and out of one soul came two, and yet they were one flesh and one soul. A division of the soul may easily be recognized in children, because the soul of the child is taken partially from the soul of the parents. The resemblance of children to their parents is proof of this. And what is foreign is what is dissimilar.

In the spiritual world, this divisibility is much more pronounced, and it manifests itself through countless strange phenomena. A soul whose conduct is not sufficiently trained in accordance with the Gospel appears in the spiritual world in the most varied of forms, down to animalistic forms, because the soul in her earthly life squandered parts of the specifica that were necessary for her complete formation. These specifica are no longer present when the soul departs from the body. That is why the form of the soul, outside of the body, can only be highly incomplete. Many souls that are overmuch inclined in one or another sensuous direction, and thereby attract an overabundance of specifica which their being can no longer accommodate, appear in the spiritual world as a multitude of the most peculiar and often ghastly aberrations.

When a human being here on Earth has an especially strong sensuous inclination, this inclination will reveal itself in the soul, because of the over-abundance of such substantial intelligence specifica, which, in accordance with the spiritual order, no longer belong to the pure human form of the soul. In some human beings these abnormal inclinations of the soul are already recognizable in the earthly body. Indeed, this is not always the case, since the body does not react as easily as does the soul to foreign specifica. This will happen to the soul very early in life, or when the soul, as a consequence of parental sins, has inherited unsuitable specifica; then the specifica will appear noticeably in such a body, since the body is considerably more receptive at an early age.

The descriptions which have been given so far clearly prove that the soul may not only be divided again when she is materially firm, but also when she is already firm and free. It was mentioned above that the whole Earth belongs to Satan's soul. This not only applies to the Earth alone – all the other celestial bodies are also developed from this one soul. This one soul is now dissolved in countless parts in these celestial bodies.

The spirit is not divisible. Wherever he be placed in a large or a small soul, he remains there as a unity. Even if Lucifer's soul was once very large, it was only possible for one spirit to live in her. And this one spirit, which fell through his own volition, cannot dwell in the countless parts of his former primordial soul. His dwelling is limited solely to this Earth, which is inhabited by you.

All the other celestial bodies, although they are parts of his former soul, are free of this inhabitant. That is why the human beings of those celestial bodies, even though they are better by nature than the ones on Earth, can never completely reach the godlike heights, as can the children of Earth. In the Spirit of God, the Earth is the most distant and the very last, and that is the reason why, should she reform, she can become the highest and most godlike.

That is why I, the Lord, chose the Earth as the scene of My highest mercy, and created upon her soil all heavens anew. Every human being that is born on Earth receives a spirit from Me, and may, in accordance with the prescribed order, acquire the consummate filiation with God.

Human beings on other celestial bodies receive their spirits from the angels, because every angel is a child of God. Therefore each had to endure the path of the flesh on this Earth, just as did I Myself and every Archangel. This is why an angel has the creative power within, which he may take out of the abundance of his love and light and place in the new, developing human beings of other planets; and he may in this manner rear children in his name, like a god. These children are therefore only emulated, not true children of God. But they can acquire God's filiation through an incarnation upon this Earth.

Behold, it is a disadvantage for human beings to be on Earth, because they live so close to the most evil of all spirits, who causes human beings so much anguish. On the other hand, human beings have an infinite advantage: they possess a mighty spirit from God, with which they can, if they only wish to, fend off this wickedness and thus become consummate children of God.

Someone might raise the objection: From whence were the spirits of human beings on other planets taken at the time when there were no human beings on Earth? Can it be safely assumed that other, much older, celestial solar bodies were inhabited by human beings billions of years earlier than Earth?

These objections may be answered thus: As mentioned before, the much older celestial bodies are descendants of one and the same soul. The larger the plant, the longer it takes to bear fruit. Place a grain of wheat and an acorn in the soil and ask yourself:

Which seed will bear fruit first? In a few months the grain of wheat will bring forth other grains of wheat, yet the oak will require many years. Infusoria can live through several hundreds of generations in one minute. The elephant requires over two years to bear its young, and approximately twenty years are required before they are procreative and conceptive. Now examine the difference: How many generations of infusoria would live when compared to one generation of elephants?

This example should enable you to understand that a primary sun, which is older by several decillions of earth years (a 1 followed by 60 zeros) than the Earth, which is several quintillion (a 1 followed by 30 zeros) years old, is considerably larger than the Earth in accordance with that proportion, and will much later broadcast its seeds to maturity. My intentions are well calculated, so that the fruits of all celestial bodies will reach maturity when the central point of spiritual creation has developed so far that its spiritual surplus of life may be implanted into the fruits of other celestial bodies.

However, it is true that human beings existed on the primordial sun Urka before the Earth was expelled from her sun. But these human beings have a different life span than the humans on Earth. When a human being on Urka is only ten Urka years old, he is already older than this entire Earth. This example should enable you to understand that the first born of this celestial body are still alive to this hour, and some that are born on Urka at this moment will live as long as Earth exists. It was definitely possible, in the time given, for Me and all the angels to endure the path of the flesh, and they, as My children, have already taken from the abundance of their life for a long time and implanted it into the children of other celestial bodies.

From everything that has been said thus far, the divisibility of the soul should be obvious to anyone who has a spirit and therewith light, especially the divisibility of the primordial soul that was created first of primordial spirit. And it should also be obvious that this Earth is the particular part of his primordial soul, which is now the only part that is inhabited by the primordially created spirit." (JL - Earth and Moon, chap. 53)

## The law of the division of the soul

“It has already been partially indicated, when the mineral and plant kingdoms were described, how telluric specifica continuously ascend in countless amounts which seize, unite, and order themselves in accordance with the will of the spirits that are placed above them. And, in a manner of speaking, all phenomena on Earth are each a part of Satan’s soul.

His division is in such a state in accordance with a secret law, that Satan himself becomes the first accomplice to his dissolution. Through his power, he wants to free his soul, and give her her former expansion or scope. That is why, internally, he burns continuously in his compressed, telluric, specific soul. Through this continuous burning, he wants to change seemingly firm matter back into a fully subtle substance. This effort will be allowed under orderly restriction, and for this purpose the organism of this Earth is so set up, and put in such an order, that the evil spirit must remain as continually and equally active in his perseverance.

He labors under the illusion that he has almost entirely liberated his imprisoned soul through this activity, and that is why he constantly ejects psychic specifica from the interior of the Earth. He knows little or nothing about the fact that these specifica are intercepted by mighty spirits and put in order in new consummate human forms. The specifica that come from that place are, of course, of a purely hellish kind and are fundamentally evil. That is why they must ascend through an immense number of levels of creatures, and thoroughly ferment before they are suited to the organization of a human body and a human soul. The hellish attributes of these specifica show themselves clearly in the many beings which precede the human being. Observe the poisonous nature of almost all metals, the toxins in plants, the poison in animals, the great rage, especially in the carnivorous animals, and the horrible treachery of poisonous vermin – and the hellish wickedness of these creatures will not escape you. Yes, even among human beings this purely hellish attribute expresses itself in a very high degree, so much so that frequently there is little or no difference between many human beings and the Prince of Darkness.

This purely hellish evil was, through the descent of the mightiest specificum, the “Word of God,” first exposed to a new fermentation by which the hellish evil is being changed into heavenly good. But this does not occur all at once. The specifica in the essential soul of a human being are indeed already heavenly pure, when she has been penetrated by the spirit. However, the body or the flesh of a human being is still evil in all its parts, still hellish. That is why this flesh must endure many humiliating trials, until it gradually becomes an assimilative part of the soul, which had already become pure at an earlier time. This is why the body must die, in order to dissolve. The body must pass over in all its parts into all kinds of worms and, as such, again die and dissolve, and, following that, pass over into countless infusoria. These infusoria enter into the being of plants. The plants then decompose into various states: partially in earth, partially in fire, partially in the stomachs of animals. This continues until the last atom be dissolved and free; with some human beings this takes several centuries, and with some of the more conceited – those fools who love their flesh – even many thousands of years, until the bodies they leave behind have met with total dissolution. The essential, pure hellish yeast of everybody will remain imputrescible for all times as Satan’s most essential main belonging, so that he will remain with a lasting body. Whatever of the soul’s substance may adhere to it, no matter how small, will be taken and incorporated in the soul of a human being.

That is how the whole soul of Satan will be gradually resurrected through many human beings, of which each and every one is more consummate than the entire earlier great spirit, that is, Satan. That each soul may receive a complete divine proportion, God will implant in her a new spirit from

out of Himself. The soul may, through this process, become an entirely new being. This is the new creation which is altogether newly formed in the fire of divine love. The old creation will relapse into her dust and her unconsciousness grows continuously larger and will become more solid, and then will become the foundation of the new creation. (Earth and Moon, chap. 54)

## Satan's repatriation and redemption

"Many people might say: If this is so, it does not bode well for the hoped-for reformation of the first-fallen spirit and his cohorts, because if the most abject part of his soul, the dregs and slag of all matter, remains behind as the foundation of a new creation, then his spirit will also be held captive in this slag, because a spirit never abandons his soul, be she substantial or material.

I say: Yea, it does not appear well for the reformation and repatriation of this spirit and his cohorts. There exists, however, a spark of a possibility, but it is so small that it could hardly be perceived even with a microscope. Only on the main examination of this spirit will it become apparent, when he recognizes that all of his psychical substance has been taken away and has proceeded into the magnificence of God. Then there will no longer be a sun nor an Earth in the vast realm of Creation, because all visible bodies will have surrendered all of their prisoners. And physical matter will not be found anywhere, only the spiritual of a new Heaven and a new Earth. The old Earth will shrink like an apple that has gradually dried up. There will still be a remnant of all matter, namely the last slag of the genuinely Satanic, the most evil particles of psychical intelligence, which will not leave Satan's spirit and those of his cohorts.

To determine when this will occur would be of no benefit to anyone, because upon this physical Earth it will not be experienced by any human being. And in the spiritual world, what happens to the filth will be of very little concern to a perfect spirit. What will happen is that this spirit will be thrown in the firmest of slag-shells into infinity, and his fall will never find an end. He will fall into the depth of depths, into the ocean of fury, and there he will find more torment the deeper he sinks into the ocean of fury, which becomes ever more violent and which has no bottom. Although this ocean of fury is the fire of all fires, it will not be able to dissolve this lodging.

And there it will be as it is written: "All wickedness has sunk into the eternal abyss, and it was devoured eternally, and there will be no longer any wickedness in all the spheres of infinity."

As long as this Earth exists, it is possible for every spirit to embrace the path of repentance, humility, and reformation, and this includes even the worst spirit. Should, however, this time pass, the possibility of a return for times eternal becomes an impossibility. It will be yet quite a long time before the Earth shall have surrendered all her prisoners, because the Earth still has significant size. Several millions of earth years will yet have to pass before the Earth will take her last examination in the fire of the sun. That which will lend itself to dissolution will reach its freedom. But that which the fire of the sun itself cannot dissolve will eternally remain slag as a prison for the Most Evil One – and that will be the last and the eternal death.

It is likewise valuable for you to know where the actual abode of the Most Evil Spirit is located in this body of the Earth. **The dungeon of this spirit is in the center of the Earth**, not in the heart or in any other of her organs. The seat of this evil spirit is essentially the most solid center, into which

everything presses, so that he will not move too mightily and thereby destroy the Earth. If he were given the least amount of freedom, he would not only destroy the Earth in the twinkling of an eye but the entire visible creation. Within him lies an immense force which can only be restrained by the heaviest of chains. Only I alone as the Lord was able to lay him in chains. Even though he is in bondage in this degree, he is able to breathe his arch-evil into the ascending specifica. This breath of will is so mighty as to be able to implant death into all specifica of the soul, to which all human beings on Earth will forever remain subject, because everything organic is destructible and all matter carries within itself death and destruction.

All this originates from the breath of will of the most evil one, whose wickedness is indescribable, and of which you will never have the faintest idea. If you had the slightest understanding of the actual evil of this spirit, that alone would be deadly. Everything you have heard about this spirit is comprised merely of distant shadowy pictures that are enveloped from all sides by My protective mercy. (Earth and Moon, chap. 55)

## **The dimension of the eternal creation. The necessary transition of all matter to spirit**

“[1] Says the Pharisee: “Lord and Master, there cannot be any further objections against all this, for the truth of what You said is only too obvious. However, in the end, all the human souls from this earth will become gods, where will they find enough space in which to move, act and rule in their divine freedom, independence and power? For also a spirit must live within a certain space and time, even if, thanks to his divine attributes, he is placed above space and time.”

[2] Says the Lord: “Oh, you petty and totally shriveled-up mind! Have you never looked at a starry sky? Do you still not know what the countless visible stars represent? Behold, if every atom of this entire earth produced 12,000 souls – a number which, at this time, even the best arithmetician could not possibly grasp – there would be hardly one soul for every solar world in the vast space of the creation, let alone the much more numerous earth globes of which often many thousands circle around a single solar world.

[3] Then imagine the endlessly vaster space of God’s heavens and the just as endless number of their hosts that also correspond to the worlds in material space and that, for instance, a hundred thousand times hundred thousands from this almost smallest earth can be assumed as already existing to this day. How many human races are yet going to come forth from this earth, only God knows, Who has the endless numbers clearly before Him, as a whole. If already from this earth, countless many hosts can be formed in the vast beyond, how many more there would be from all the countless worlds, many of which are of such a material magnitude that this earth could hardly be described as a grain of sand compared to them.

[4] Considering what has been said, it should become a little clearer to you, whether an ever so endlessly great number of true children of God could become too numerous for the entire eternal and infinite heaven. Do you believe that a number limited by your human intellect would satisfy the eternal, great God for all eternity? Count the creatures of this earth alone, think of the endless fertility and reproductive ability of plants and animals, and from all this you will gather that with God, everything tends toward endlessness and no one can say that is unnecessary.

[5] For if God had not placed this ability into plants and animals, you would, in no time, be without bread and meat, without milk, without wine and fruit; but because a grain of wheat planted in the soil bears fruit a hundredfold, you have sufficient bread and all the other things. If God, in accordance with His supreme wisdom and endless might, continuously brings forth no end of things, can anyone say that God's eternal and unlimited creating is something unnecessary? Already your own daily material needs teach you the contrary, for you could not exist without food. – Do you now understand why God incessantly creates so many things?" [...](THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 6, chap 226)

## **Secrets of matter**

"The purpose of this word shall be to better elucidate and explain this to you, so that you may even more clearly recognize that My words are really the words of a God, a supreme Creator and an ever-loving Father.

You see, I have told you in the previous word that everywhere in matter it is only imprisoned spirits, offshoots of My own divine self, that constitute the entire visible creation and the essential part in that which exists. I told you that the material is of secondary importance or the necessary envelopment, so that individual spirit-parts in the entire universe can be made into as it were independent, separate beings.

This was the first reason why everything was created. The second reason was to subordinate the created to a universal purpose and establish a spiritual reason as to why everything was thus enveloped in matter. It explains also the eternal urge on the part of everything existing towards change, towards freeing itself from imprisonment and to rise to higher levels where more liberty, more spiritual enjoyment are possible and permitted.

Hence the urge and drive in everything created to break its form and rush instinctively towards a better existence. It is this endeavor and urge which manifests as life and which, where it occurs, for this very reason constitutes the three phases of creation, that means coming into being, existing and passing away.

Through this tri-unity, which also correspondingly expresses My actual personal trinity, as love, wisdom and divinity, and which is likewise inherent in every created being in the form of spirit, soul and body, life manifests as visible activity. This activity, putting the visible seal upon My creation, proves that it must be a Being higher than all those created, which only in this way can manifest itself to its beings. It tries to make understandable and conceivable only through visible life the invisible spiritual to all beings whom it had endowed with reason, intellect and heart. Thereby the beings may understand from where they came, why they are here and what may be the purpose of their existence and the goal of their life, whether material or spiritual.

However, since this life, as I have shown you, originated from Me and is destined to again return to Me, all its visible manifestations must have a proper purpose, a spiritual reason, why thus and not otherwise, which Why can lead, and often has led, the keen observer in My creation to many a wrong conclusion!

The purpose of again entitling this word "Life" is now to solve these misapprehensions and unravel the seemingly inharmonious, because this word has been understood by you neither in its profundity nor according to its extent and significance. This is of concern to Me, for the time is near where I do not want any benighted creatures in My creation but only beings with spiritual vision who understand Me and My creation. Therefore, the veil shall fall from the apparently

unfathomable and another cover shall be removed, which has up until now hung over your spiritual eyes.

Look, My children, when I created the world or the whole universe, the purpose of My binding the spirit-particles was not that they, by means of their inherent urge, should merely change matter so as to attain to a better existence. Not at all. While the bound spirits must assist in the spiritualizing of matter, they should prepare themselves for the next level through another spiritual school, should be educated through suffering, deprivations, conflicts of every kind. In this way, they would not only prepare matter for a better level, but for the time being would strengthen themselves spiritually, drawing nearer to Him, who, the symbol of the highest spirit-attributes, such as love, meekness, grace, has shown them the way in everything. Who even, by His descent to this small earth as a tiny earthly Man accepting the lowest social standing, nevertheless in the utmost lowliness and greatest humiliation gave proof of the highest spiritual character of a God, even sealing it with His earthly death and His resurrection!" (Secrets of life, chap. 24 - **Life in the Light of Love**)

### **Through countless forms of life to godlikeness**

“07] See, we have on the earth of the Lord, under its seas and other waters a, for you, incomprehensible large number of all kinds of plants, shrubberies, trees, animals and also minerals, that even the most famous scholar of this time is not able to write them down and pronounce them! With the whole earth they form a combined wholeness and everything works towards a single principal purpose, but, nevertheless, here on earth and in the earth they are so different in kind and differently ordered, that it would be impossible for you not to distinguish them at first sight, so that you in the end could not take a fig tree for a thistle shrub, an ox for a lion, a swallow for a hen, a fish for a tortoise and lead for gold.

08] On earth you will notice these differences very easily; but in ether, in the air and in water you cannot notice them, and this neither with your sight nor with your hearing, nor your smelling, nor your taste, nor by your feeling via your whole nervous system, despite all the countless different kinds of forces and the primeval materials and elements in the ether, water and in this air as produced by them, are more defined different from each other, than you can notice on this material world.

09] Thus, behind the substance of the ether is the, to your senses, not visible spirit-fire, a forever prevailing force, which, emanating from God, forever fills infinite space and forever on acts and creates. God Himself is the eternal primeval spirit in His center and fills the forever from Him emanating infinity with His great thoughts and ideas, which, filled with His love become beings carrying the same spirit-fire as He Himself, through His wisdom take on ordered form and through His will become separated and as if independent from each other. In these beings the ability is placed to reproduce and develop forever and on the step-ladder of the eternal order of God in time become one and rise to godlikeness.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 7, chap. 72:7-9)

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“02] It is true that on this earth all life is perpetually exposed to all kinds of enemies and must always be battle ready to assert itself as life. This battle however applies only to matter under judgement by the omnipotent will of God, which always has to suffer the most then, when its inner spiritual life which we call soul, separates itself from the loose matter and rises to a more perfect degree of life.

03] Behold, all matter of this earth - from the hardest rock up to the aether high above you - is soul substance, however in a necessary and thus consolidated state. Its destination however is to return to a unbound, pure spiritual being, if it has reached, by this isolation, the necessary life independence. But to reach this continuously increasing self-activity, the soul freed from bound matter must go through all possible levels of life and must in each new level of life wrap itself anew in a material body, from which the soul again attracts new life- and activity substances and makes it her own.

04] Once a soul in a body - which her spirit out of God can clearly see - being it the soul of a plant or that of an animal, by the necessary ripening has achieved the ability to rise to the next higher level of life, the soul's spirit in the beyond continuously developing the soul, arranges that her further unusable body is taken away from her, so that she then, already equipped with higher intelligence, can build for herself another body, wherein she again for a shorter or also longer period of time can work herself up to an even greater life- and activity intelligence, and this process continues up to a human, where she, as already totally free, reaches in her last body full self-consciousness, the recognition of God and love, which unification we call the new- or rebirth in the spirit.

05] If a human soul has reached this degree of life, she is perfected and can as such a perfect independent being and life not be destroyed and devoured anymore by the most general divine all-being and all-life.

06] The surest sign of the already attained life independence of a human soul is and consists therein, that she recognizes God and even loves Him with all her strength. For as long a soul does not recognize God as a being separated from herself, the soul is still blind and deaf and not free from the power of the divine almightiness; she then still has to fight immensely to free herself from such chains. But as soon as the soul begins to recognize the true God as outside herself and begins to properly perceiving Him intrinsic through the feeling of love, she then is already free from the bonds of divine almightiness and belongs then also already more and more to herself and is therefore self-creator of her own being and life and thereby an independent friend of God for all eternities of eternities.

07] If so, the actual being loses actually nothing if the further unusable body is taken away from her, so that it can reach its final destination even quicker.

08] What is it about the body of this rabbit with which the eagle satisfies its hunger, - at the same time freeing the soul of the little animal, so that it already has the full ability to rise to a higher level of life? The eagle also has a soul striving for the same destination. In the flesh and blood of the rabbit exists also still more coarse soul substances. They will be united with the soul substances of the eagle so that the eagle's soul thereby becomes a little softer and more intelligent and after the loss of its body can already become something of a human soul, gifted with a considerable amount of light, courage and power.

09] On this earth it just has been the way for growing up of the children of God. Life is and stays a battle with all kinds of enemies for as long it has struggling succeeded to become a winner over all matter out of its own power. And as such you should not be surprised about all the material life enemies; since they are not enemies of the actual life, but only enemies of the material virtual life, which actually is no life at all, but only a tool of the true, inner, spiritual soul life, and is the means whereby she can work her up to the ever increasing, truest actual life freedom, which would not be thinkable possible without this temporary middle-life.

10] God of course can with His almightiness produce a spirit with perfect wisdom and power out of Himself, and this in one moment countless many, - however, all such spirits would not have any independence; since their will and actions are nothing else than those of the divine Itself, which

must uninterrupted flow into them that they are, move and act according to the divine will. For themselves they are absolutely nothing, but pure momentary thoughts and ideas of God.

11] Should they however in time become possibly independent, they must go the way of matter or the judged and thus fixed will of God, in the manner as you have it before your eyes on this earth. If they have this, only then they are independent, self-thinking and voluntary acting children of God, who indeed also always do the will of God, but not because it has been imposed on them, but they recognize such as highly wise and decide by themselves to act accordingly, which is then for themselves life rewarding and provides for them only then life's highest bliss and happiness.

12] You see, My dear friend, this is the way things are and because they are like that, you can increasingly recognize and admire the one, true God's highest wisdom, since you can see from that, how God out of His very own love and wisdom can form and raise His very own thoughts and ideas to independent, Himself perfectly resembling children!" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 6, chap. 133:2-12)

## **The substance of the soul and its gradual liberation from the matter**

"1] [...] everything, and still more, that the Earth contains, from its center up to far above the highest region of the air, is soul substance. But that substance stands for a certain time until it is liberated in very different conditions of judgment, from hard to soft. And because of that, it becomes, for the physical eye as well as for the feeling of man in this world, visible and tangible, as completely dead matter, harder or tender. To these belong firstly all kinds of stones, minerals, different soils, water, air and every still unbound matter in it.

[2] Then there is the whole kingdom of the plants, in the water and on the ground, together with its transition to the animal kingdom. In that kingdom, the judgment is already milder, and the soul substance stands already more in the stage of a certain liberation compared to its former hard condition of judgment. The soul substance that was formerly as if chaotically mixed together is now, for the sake of the development of intelligence, sorted and formed as independent entities, and so you can see a great variety in this second kingdom.

[3] While the soul substance had to go through a greater sorting in the second kingdom because of its special development of intelligence, it must be brought to an ever greater unification of separate intelligences in the third kingdom of the animals – which has a much greater diversity – in order to come to a clearer and freer individual intelligence. That is why in that animal kingdom numberless soul substance particles of all kinds of different small animals combine to one bigger animal soul, for example that of a bigger worm or an insect.

[4] Once they have lost their material casing in which they were closed up, numberless different kinds of insects unify again to an animal soul of a bigger and more perfected kind. And this continues up to the big and perfected animals, which are partly wild and are later partly gentle – and only after the last unification of those animal souls will arise the human souls who are provided with all possible intelligent abilities.

[5] When man is born in this world and still has to carry a body for the sake of his complete liberation, then it is extremely wisely arranged by God that he as a complete soul cannot remember all the necessary former conditions in separate forms of existence that he as transition had to go through. He can remember them just as little as your eye can see and distinguish the little separate drops of the sea. For if this would be given to a human soul, he would not be able to bear the unification of so endlessly different particles of soul substance and intelligence, but would try to dissolve himself as soon as possible, just like a drop of water dissolves itself on a red-hot iron.

[6] In order to preserve the soul of man, every remembrance *of former forms of existence* must be completely taken away by the arrangement of the body that encloses him, until the time that he becomes innerly completely one with his spirit of love from God. Because that spirit is as the glue by which all those endless different soul particles of intelligence are solidly unified with each other as an eternal indestructible complete being. Then they will shine through, recognize and understand each other in all clearness, and they will glorify and praise God's love, wisdom and might as a perfected being that is similar to God." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, vol. 10, chap. 21)

## **The hidden spirit in the plant**

"05] We now know, that your large garden consists only of one type of soil and is watered with one and the same water. The air in your garden is and stays also the same, and the light and the warmth of the sun also stay, without change, one and the same and can, at least over the total surface of your garden, not differ with regard to the lower or greater strength and force of it, except for the difference which the seasons - but always in equal distribution - distribute over the whole garden.

06] Now, if all preconditions to grow the many different plants, shrubs and trees are exactly the same, the same causes were supposed to bring about exactly the same effects with all plants, shrubs and trees with regard to form as well as shape and taste and smell. And yet, what tremendous differences!

07] If you chew the pip of a lemon, it tastes bitter. Where does the fruit get the pleasant acid? And so the story continues along the row for all species. Everything is in its own way greatly different from the other. Yes, how does this corresponds with one and the same nourishment? The grapevine looks different from a fig tree, and which difference exists in every respect between the fruit of a vine and the fruit of a fig tree! Again you place the seed of an ordinary pumpkin and this of a melon into the soil. The first brought you the fruit of a normally scent- and tasteless pumpkin, while the melon seed paid your noble trouble with a fruit sweeter than honey, despite being everywhere the same earth, the same water, the same air and the same light and very much the same warmth from the sun.

08] If you think about it a little further, obviously you have to ask yourself and say: 'Yes, how can the same forces bring about so many different effects?' I say to you, that all the endless many soul substances are first present in the ether, then in the air and in the water; but the sharpest human eye and the very most sensitive sense of taste and smell will not find in one nor the other primeval general element anything of a taste or smell of any plant and its sweet, sour or bitter fruit, - not mentioning a single word regarding form and color. Now, how does it thus happens, that each different seed attracts from the same earth, from the same water, from the same air, from the same light and from the same warmth, only those primeval substances and embodies them in itself to its own way, which the same and unchanged seed has attracted and embodied already several thousands times thousand years ago?

09] See, even in organic matter pure spiritual starts to appear and shows to the awake and keen observer, it can only be a true something if pure spiritual, and that this what the senses of the outer-person sees and observes as something, is actually nothing, but only this, was is hidden inside a seed kernel, is truly something, because it is pure spiritual. This rests in a for your eye nearly not visible very small shell, embedded in the bud, which is surrounded by the outer seed-kernel. This pure spiritual enclosed in the indicated small shell is a with love, light and willpower filled thought or an idea in its full isolation from the countless many other in themselves and for themselves differentiated and separate concluded thoughts and ideas."

“01] (Angel Raphael:) “This quite separate spirit within the small bud-shell, in possession of its clear intelligence and awareness of its power, which is actually itself, easily recognizes when the seed, which is its material dwelling it has built for itself, gets into a position and circumstances, where the pure spirit can begin its activity.

02] When the seed is placed into the moist soil and the outer substantial-material shell gets soft, because its soul-substantial parts starts to correspond with the outer it surrounding similar parts of the moist soil, the pure spirit immediately starts to make the right use of its intelligence and its willpower. It very precisely recognizes the corresponding parts in the soil, the water, in the air and in the light and the warmth of the sun, attracts them to itself and produces from them in accordance to its order this, what corresponds with its being, and so you see a plant growing out of the earth with still the same properties. The herb or outer flesh of the plant from the roots to the highest top of the stem has only been produced by the spirit, so that the pure spirit can creatively multiply itself in the new seed kernels and as such multiplies its I to infinity, although the spirit who already has been active once, rises by himself upwards and in unity with the soul-particles attracted to it, it will transform itself by developing into higher and more advanced forms and beings.

03] And what I have told you now about the plants, is also applicable in a smaller scale to all minerals and in a higher scale to all animals and finally above all to man. Primordially this is applicable to the development of all world bodies, all shell globes and the whole great cosmic-man, which the Lord Himself has sufficiently shown and described to you.

04] From all this you can now recognize, that all truth and reality exists only in the pure spiritual, and that all matter is nothing else than the persistent will of the spirit, which it in time can soften, more and more dissolve and finally to transform it into a substantial-soul body similar to itself over a shorter or longer period of time, depending if the soul-substance as a result of its awakened free will, more or less shows its compliance for the inner, living order of the spirit.

05] Observe from now on carefully the whole of nature, and you will find in it, what I have just explained to you! Because for the short time we are together you cannot expect from me, that I specifically explain to you all minerals, all plants and all animals separately, to what extend they contain pure spiritual and to what extend they contain pure soul-substance. It is sufficient that I now clearly explained to you the mutual relationship between which is all pure spiritual, soul-substantial and finally all matter. Since the rule I now have given to you, is applicable for the whole of eternity and for the whole of infinity; if you understand the alpha, you will understand the omega. What lies in between, is precisely identical to both of them, - except for the countless different forms.

06] And now, - since I have revealed to you various things in a very extraordinary way and manner, you can very openly express how you have comprehended this with your mind. We still have some time and can talk about this some more. And thus you may now speak and let us all know, how you have understood this matter!”

“07] So that from the pure spiritual everything there is, can originate and can continue to exist, this pure spiritual must above all be a true something, so that from it everything else can arise as a result. Thus, in the seed kernel only the spirit which rests inside the small bud-shell, is a true something, while the rest of the seminal body is nothing, but only is what it is, by the inner residing spirit. This spirit works according to its inner residing intelligence and through the power of its will, and from that originates a plant, a shrub, a tree, an animal, yes even a whole world.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 7, chap. 73:5-9; 74; 75:7)

## **Comparison between the beings and the universal intelligence**

"[1] HOWEVER, man who is gifted with an individual life-consciousness considers the endless space of creation and the unknown countless things which it contains as dumb, dead and without intelligence. Why this seems to be like that to man has a wise reason, which is that his life-consciousness must acquire the full godlike life's independence. For that, by My will, man is completely separated from the universal life-consciousness with its endless and highest intelligence, so that the life-consciousness of man would find itself in it and by that, as if by the external revealed way, he also would develop and strengthen himself for its eternal independent existence.

[2] However, as long as man tries to acquire his life's independence by himself he hardly has any notion that he is completely surrounded by sheer life and the highest life's intelligence and is also – as far as his body is concerned – permeated by it. Otherwise he would in fact not exist at all. However, when he is ready for it according to God's revealed will, because his inner spirit has completely permeated him, then the whole person is in free contact with the highest life and its enlightened intelligence in the universal infinity of God, without losing his individuality and personality by that. Then he discovers no more a dead and dumb space or dead stones, but then for him everything becomes life and light and intelligence that is aware of itself.

[3] The fact that this is so is in the first place proven to you by My omniscience that has been tried by you many times. Indeed, how could I know endlessly many and all things if the space between Me – that means My individual-personal Being – and for instance the sun or another still much further distanced object, would be without life and intelligence? And secondly, it is also proven by the wisdom of a lot of people who – without leaving their place – know many things concerning something that exists on another place at a great distance and how and what happens to it, or what will happen in the future.

[4] The 7 Egyptians are a vivid example of it. Who informed them that I was here? By this great and universal intelligence they became aware of it in themselves, as well as the way that guided them to this place. If the space between here and Upper-Egypt would be without intelligence, then they could impossibly know what is and what happens here.

[5] The soul of a human being is in his body only separated by a very thin wall that is in no way connected with the universal life's intelligence, and in his natural condition this is sufficient for him to have mostly no idea of what is and what happens close by, as if it were behind his back. And he does not even understand 1.000 times a 1.000 part of what is happening before his eyes. All this is because of the very thin separating wall mentioned before, that exists between his particular and the universal endless spatial life. If this separating wall would be very impenetrable and extensive, what would such an enormously isolated soul still know of what is existing around him on all sides?

[6] However, the fact that a soul – for reasons only known to Me – is separated by a stronger and denser wall of separation from the universal supreme intelligent godly life, you very well can see with the mentally deficient, the dumb and the so-called stupid. Such a soul is thus only capable of a very poor development or sometimes even not at all.

[7] Why also this is allowed I know very well, and some of My old disciples know it partially also. The rest of you however will come to know it later.

[8] Souls of animals and plants however are not severely separated from the universal godly life in space and are therefore capable, by their inner feeling to do that for which they are destined according to their capacity and arrangement. Every animal knows the food that is good for him and knows where to find it. He has his weapons and knows how to use them without any practice.

[9] So also, the spirit of the plants knows exactly that element in the water, in the air and in the earth that is beneficent for its specific individuality. The spirit of the nature soul of the oak will at no time draw the elements to itself that the cedar needs for its existence. Indeed, who tells a plant to draw only that element that is intended for it? Look, all this is the work of the highest and universal life's intelligence of space. From this, every plant and animal soul draws a special necessary intelligence and is further active according to its instructions.

[10] But if this is so – something that every person can always clearly see from his experience – then it is obvious that the endless space and everything that it contains is one life and one supreme intelligence. The human soul can only see that unconsciously because he can create his lasting life's independence by his separated intelligence, which is immense. This is something of which no soul of an animal or plant is capable of, and therefore it has no separated existence as such, but only a mixed and therefore, up to the human soul a countless times changeable existence of which it also cannot retain any memory, for after each mixture and changing of being it goes over to another sphere of intelligence.

[11] Even the soul of man as the highest empowered mixture of mineral, plant and animal souls, has no memory of his former forms of existence, because the specific soul elements in the earlier mentioned 3 kingdoms do not have a strictly separated intelligence, but for the benefit of their kind only a kind of intelligence that was taken from the universal godly life in space. Although in a human soul all the countless specific former parts of intelligence were united with each other, and this leads to the fact that the human soul can certainly recognize all things out of himself and can evaluate them intelligently, but a specific remembrance of the former levels of existence is not imaginable or possible because in the human soul there was only one human being that came into existence from the endless many separated souls.

[12] However, when man is completely permeated with the Spirit of life and light, he will perceive such an order in himself, just like I am eternally and always perceiving this in Myself, namely that everything exists out of Me and that I am everything in everything. And do tell me now, friend Lazarus, if you have well understood all that. And all of you are also free to give your ideas about it."

(THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 18, chap. 77 - Comparison between the beings and the universal intelligence)

## **The evolution of soul life. The substance of the soul and his gradual liberation from matter**

All life is constituted such as to be able to grow and increase constantly, because there is unceasing inflow from Me." (God's Household I 185, 20)

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"Everything arises from and consists in God, everything is in Him, everything is the endless abundance of His thoughts and ideas, from the smallest to the greatest." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 6, 226: 8)

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"All matter takes form and decomposes again. This is no other impulse than that of the spirit awakened from being bound and asleep in matter. There could be no progression from stage to stage, no progress towards perfection, if at the very heart of matter there were not the spirit, aroused by external circumstance." (Lord' Sermons 314)

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"Everything that has been created is designed to pass through a long sequence of all kinds of forms and finally into free and independent life."

"Every form represents a certain level of intelligence ... and in this way intelligence increases until man is reached." "The forms are for a limited period the collectors and bearers of a life that is all the time becoming more consolidated and intelligent." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 6, 53:5-9)

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"[6] Now the captain could no more keep silent. He quickly went to Raphael and said: "Listen, wise and mighty citizen of a better world than this Earth. Generally I am very satisfied with the often beautiful arrangement of this Earth of ours, how it is formed and how the plants are ordered, but what concerns the animals, in the kind of circumstances in which they live and are active among each other, absolutely not.

[7] It was taken care of that all the plants and vegetation would take their food from the soil, from the water, from the air and from the warmth of the sunlight, and so they would excellently flourish. Only the animals, and for a great part also us human beings must catch animals, kill them and eat their flesh in order to feed our body.

[8] Look, this makes the heart and the mind of man unmistakably wild. This is what I noticed in Rome all too often with the often terrible bullfights and other fights of wild, devouring animals in especially built and arranged cages. For in Rome and also in a lot of other places such fights with animals are kept to ever stir up the eagerness for war and the brave fighting spirit and keep it alive, especially for the soldiers and the citizens.

[9] And from who did men learn that wild waging of war where no trace of the love for God and of the love for fellowman can be found?

[10] Here, look down there in the water. What did those poor fishes actually do wrong that they often are caught out of the water and eaten up by thousands by the greedy water birds? Can all those numberless different sorts of animals in the air, on the Earth and in the water not feed themselves just like the tame house animals with the also numberless different sorts of plants? Must all kinds of flesh eating animals of prey search their food in the flocks of the meek animals and thus provoke men to a wild battle by their cruelty which is implanted by the might of God?"

[11] Men had to invent artificial weapons to fight against the devouring beasts. By that he learned how to fight, kill and conquer, but did he by that win anything to make his heart and mind nobler as God advised him?

[12] Now look, I very often thought about this subject and was not able to receive even a half satisfying solution from any wise person for this true sphinx's mystery. Everywhere it was said: "The wise gods will know why they have allowed all this."

[13] Yes, this is certainly so, but did men win anything by that for their heart and mind? Yes, for the hunting, fighting and waging of war they won a lot, and then also to give laws to rule and to be often as cruel as a hyena in their justice regarding those people who sinned against their laws. But for the

rest, really not many good things appeared from the fact that they learned to fight – first against the wild animals and very soon after that also among each other.

[14] You are wise and powerful from the Spirit of God in you. Teach me now also in the right manner about this matter which seems very important to me.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 22, chap. 100)

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„[2] Look, on a celestial body where it is the people’s destiny for what concerns their soul and their spirit to become perfect children of God, everything must be exactly arranged as it is arranged on this Earth.

[3] Although your eye can see and your reason can recognize nothing else except judgment, persecution, robbery, murder, death, decay and perishability, but it is not as you imagine these things, but quite different.

[4] Firstly the laziness, which is an inevitable attachment of the matter of the body, is the greatest enemy of the soul who must become more and more awake and active, for only through that can he become completely similar to the Spirit of God in him, and thus become similar to God. And the hotter the countries are where people have built their houses, the more they are threatened by this first enemy of the soul.

[5] If in such countries there would not be all kinds of animals that are troublesome for man, and if he did not have to take care for the nourishment of his body, then he also would not take care for the development of the powers of his soul. He soon would look like a sea polyp or like the roots of a tree that have nothing else to do except to suck to them the nutrients that are suitable to them, from the water, from the soil and from the air through its organic-mechanical system.

[6] Look, this is the most important reason why all kinds of things were created for man on this Earth which will wake him up to various activities – firstly for his body, and then also for his soul, which is the most important.

[7] For what concerns the second reason, every thinker can easily discover this for himself. Just imagine the Earth as a completely uniform big globe. On its vast surface there would be only completely the same brooks, lakes and seas. No mountains, no other animals than sheep, no birds except chickens, and no other water animals than only precisely the same kinds of fishes everywhere. In the same manner on the earth’s surface there would only grow one kind of grass as nourishment for the sheep, as well as only one kind of fruit to feed the people and the chickens. Furthermore also only one kind of fruit tree and one kind of tree to build a simple dwelling hut. And so there also would be only one kind of stone everywhere, as well as only one kind of metal of which men would be able to make the simplest utensils for their livelihood.

[8] Now say for yourself how much progress the people could make in the development of their concepts, ideas and imaginations in such a world.

[9] I do not have to explain to you how extremely meager their reason and mind would look like, while they have to become more elevated and purer. But I point your attention on the very poor state of development of the soul and the spirit of the living human beings on Earth who live in regions where there are no mountains in the wide environment, where only here and there some uniform grass on the ground is growing, and furthermore some meager shrubs that are pining away at the shores of a few ugly brooks and lakes that look like pools.

[10] Such regions are not unknown to you. What does the development of the spirit of those inhabitants look like? Look, for the greatest part they are wild. And why? Because they cannot

come to any development of their concepts, ideas and productive imaginations for the development of the reason and mind, because of the lack of an as great as possible variety of the things and creatures that surround them which are necessary for the higher development of the soul.

[11] On the other hand, look at those people whose country is richly provided with all imaginable varieties, and you will discover that they have developed. If not in the sphere of the deepest inner life of the soul and spirit, then nevertheless in the sphere of the outer mind, reason and imagination, which man needs if he wants to pass over to a higher development of the inner life of the soul and spirit. For if you want to climb a mountain for the beautiful view, there firstly has to be a mountain, and when there is one, then while climbing you should not be satisfied with the half height of the mountain – although it will already give you a very wide view – but moreover make the effort to also climb the highest tops in order to enjoy the full view from there.

[12] So also, once men whose reason, mind and imagination are greatly developed, should not be satisfied with this half height of life, but make the effort to reach its full height.

[13] You will understand what I want to tell you with this. And here you have a second reason why God has provided this Earth with such great variety of all things, creatures and phenomena, of which you up till now, with all your Alexandrian development, hardly know the smallest stroke of the little alpha.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23, Chap. 2. The most important reasons for the variety in the creation on Earth)

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"[1] THERE is however still a third reason which is already known by all My disciples, and you also will come to know this more precisely in the future than it can be explained to you now, for your inner reason would not be able to grasp this. But as an indication, I can tell you this for now: that everything, and still more, that the Earth contains, from its center up to far above the highest region of the air, is soul substance. But that substance stands for a certain time until it is liberated in very different conditions of judgment, from hard to soft. And because of that, it becomes, for the physical eye as well as for the feeling of man in this world, visible and tangible, as completely dead matter, harder or tender. To these belong firstly all kinds of stones, minerals, different soils, water, air and every still unbound matter in it.

[2] Then there is the whole kingdom of the plants, in the water and on the ground, together with its transition to the animal kingdom. In that kingdom, the judgment is already milder, and the soul substance stands already more in the stage of a certain liberation compared to its former hard condition of judgment. The soul substance that was formerly as if chaotically mixed together is now, for the sake of the development of intelligence, sorted and formed as independent entities, and so you can see a great variety in this second kingdom.

[3] While the soul substance had to go through a greater sorting in the second kingdom because of its special development of intelligence, it must be brought to an ever greater unification of separate intelligences in the third kingdom of the animals – which has a much greater diversity – in order to come to a clearer and freer individual intelligence. That is why in that animal kingdom numberless soul substance particles of all kinds of different small animals combine to one bigger animal soul, for example that of a bigger worm or an insect.

[4] Once they have lost their material casing in which they were closed up, numberless different kinds of insects unify again to an animal soul of a bigger and more perfected kind. And this continues up to the big and perfected animals, which are partly wild and are later partly gentle – and only after the last unification of those animal souls will arise the human souls who are provided with all possible intelligent abilities.

[5] When man is born in this world and still has to carry a body for the sake of his complete liberation, then it is extremely wisely arranged by God that he as a complete soul cannot remember all the necessary former conditions in separate forms of existence that he as transition had to go through. He can remember them just as little as your eye can see and distinguish the little separate drops of the sea. For if this would be given to a human soul, he would not be able to bear the unification of so endlessly different particles of soul substance and intelligence, but would try to dissolve himself as soon as possible, just like a drop of water dissolves itself on a red-hot iron.

[6] In order to preserve the soul of man, every remembrance of former forms of existence must be completely taken away by the arrangement of the body that encloses him, until the time that he becomes innerly completely one with his spirit of love from God. Because that spirit is as the glue by which all those endless different soul particles of intelligence are solidly unified with each other as an eternal indestructible complete being. Then they will shine through, recognize and understand each other in all clearness, and they will glorify and praise God's love, wisdom and might as a perfected being that is similar to God." (3. The substance of the soul and his gradual liberation from matter - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23)

## **The development of the soul up to man. The real soul evolution**

"[8] Man lives from 2 kinds of worlds which he has to unite in himself. On the one hand he is the cornerstone of the outer, material creation in which he is called the crown of creation and he is praised as such. On the other hand he is the starting point of the pure spiritual world which with him has reached the first stage of complete free self-awareness. So, on the one hand he is the beginning and on the other hand the end of a chain, and he has to find in himself, by his for that purpose given life and the free development, the right link with which he can make those 2 chains as one. I will explain this further to you.

[9] All beings, from the smallest creature, form step to step ascending series, in such manner that one step will always complete the other, will show greater perfections and can by that also develop an ever greater intelligence.

[10] Look at the animals where lower sorts exist that seem to have no other goal than to maintain their body and serve as food for other animals. When there is an enemy of their body and life, they stoically surrender to their fate and do not fight back and are also not capable to do that. Look at the many insects and lower amphibians.

[11] However, further up you can see that the intelligence is already so highly developed that those animals are more conscious of the dangers that threaten their bodies, and also know how to escape from them through all kinds of cunning tricks.

[12] With animals that are further up you can see that this quality is even more developed, and so they are provided with suitable weapons like sharp claws and teeth to get rid of their enemies, but at the same time they become also enemies of other sorts of animals. Now there is a struggle from both sides where cunningness and cleverness are utilized, for the killing of the bodies but also for the progression of the intellect so that the character that develops gradually and that acquires specific qualities for the ever ascending animals can be formed.

[13] Now a borderline is reached from which the animals are inclined to join man, and then you call them **house animals**. They usually are more submissive or more tame as you say. They can develop a very far-reaching intelligence and can be trained. By that they look in a certain way more like man – not in their outer form but for what concerns certain characteristics. You often can observe real astonishing actions of animals that show reasoning and also a certain discernment so that you are

amazed and say: the animal lacks only the power of speech. Look, these are animals that in their spiritual development only need to make a step to become a human being, like an infant who has also only to make a certain step in years in order to become a person with reason. But with the animal that goal cannot be attained because the form of the soul is not perfected yet while with a child, who often seems much dumber and clumsier, the form of the soul is present and capable for a further development, like in every grain of seed in which lays the image of the future plant."

(THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 25, chap. 33)

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"[1] ALL these sorts of animals, which are multiple in order to make possible an optimal variety in character abilities, are however under a fixed law which takes care that they can develop themselves in that one certain direction, namely the one of the highest possible intelligence. This means: they are not capable to act differently than the limits of the form of their soul will permit. For instance, no matter how clearly you will indicate to a bird that it still would be better not to build an open nest but perhaps a woven house, he will nevertheless stay with his nest. And you can be sure that since the existence of the different sorts on Earth every sort built their homes exactly as they still do today. This is in a certain way because of a limited horizon (the form of the soul) that cannot be extended. It is just like a child who cannot learn the difficult higher arithmetic as long as he still does not understand the initial basics.

[2] The different forms that the animals must go through correspond to the time periods or years of development of man. When the highest animal intelligence is developed – mind you, this is not concerning the outer form but only concerning the development of the soul – then those developed intelligences can flow together to become a human soul. So this contains now in the first place the highest developed intelligences that mutually complement each other, and then, since he is the next step in the development of many lower lives, he must be a reflection of the total lower life in general, because he contains all this in himself. So he is now completed for what concerns the outer form and the inner form that is capable for development. The crown of creation, the human form, with a germ that is capable for the highest possible development, is reached in the newly born human being.

[3] Now begins the second task: man must reach the highest possible free awareness in the knowledge of his Creator and in the development of the inner man.

[4] Up to now the form of the soul was dull, did not care about spiritual things but only about material things. Only the right of the strongest was important to him. But the deity wants His work that was led here with difficulty will now also begin to know Him and will try to come closer to Him out of love, and not out of fear for His power. How can this be achieved?

[5] The deity must veil Himself to reach that goal. That means that He must put His creature in circumstances that gives him the possibility to recognize the deity freely from himself or not. By that, the deity may not use any coercion, for otherwise fear, which has to be avoided, and not love will influence the direction of the will. Just think how you would feel to be surrounded by servants who would only serve you out of fear instead of out of love. That little plant of love can only come into existence when the human soul receives proof – by the ever increasing clearness and insight of things – of the great love and wisdom which the deity gives him and which stirs up admiration and love in him.

[6] A leader is now given to the human soul, because the pure soul alone, which cannot be further developed as perfected form, would not notice anything higher than himself if a spiritual feeling – the awareness of a power – could not flow in, which humbles him down and urges him to seek his

Creator. And this is the divine spark which is laid in him as spirit and which has to develop together with him, has to penetrate in him more and more through a right education and must lead him into all knowledge through self-teaching.

[7] This true marriage, which starts already when man is born, is however greatly disturbed because, although the soul is developed by the inevitable physical development, the inner spirit stays mostly only like an embryo in him. The purpose of life is however to let them develop together at the same time so that the one depends in the right measure on the other.

[8] That divine spark comes from God and contains initially all the truth and the right knowledge. By that spark, man stands in very close connection with the initial Spirit of God Himself and he can penetrate in all secrets and the wisdom of God Himself. But very few people are aware of this. And to lighten up this awareness – which flashes up only weakly– to full certainty and to knowledge, is the goal of My work as Teacher. And the way that leads to it is given by My teaching.

(THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 25, chap. 35. THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FORM OF THE SOUL UP TO MAN)

## **The plan of creation and salvation revealed**

“NOTA BENE: Many will ask the question here why I actually called the souls of My disciples out of their bodies to make them witness this event. This was because of 2 reasons.

[2] Firstly, when they wake up, they should not remember this during their life on Earth, for that would have been unnecessary for them, even harmful for their further development, and secondly because the soul can only perceive his former levels of development in his free condition. What matters is the last mentioned, so that these souls could completely recognize Me as their Lord and Creator and would ask Me to protect them. Lucifer had to realize that he was losing more and more followers and that his power became ever weaker.

[3] Now here is the moment to understand the following and explain very clearly who and what Lucifer actually is, how one should visualize him and how he can be overcome in every individual, for only when these most important questions are correctly and clearly answered is it possible to understand the creation, My descend to this Earth, and My suffering and dying. So, while putting aside every other opinion, let the world listen to the great secret of My plan of creation and salvation.

[4] When the deity had found Himself through processes that will always remain hidden to you, and became aware of His creative and all-encompassing Spirit, a mighty surging and pushing arose in Him and He spoke in Himself: ‘I want to put My ideas outside of Me, so that I will be able to see from this what My powers can do.’

For as long as there is no activity, the deity can only know Himself in a small measure. It is only through His works that He becomes ever more aware of His power and rejoices in it (just like every master artist can only see from his own products what is in him and rejoices in it).

[5] So the deity wanted to create, and spoke then to Himself: ‘In Me there is all power of the eternities. Let us therefore create a being who is equipped with all power, equal to Me, but in such a way that he will have the qualities in him in which I can recognize Myself.’ And a spirit was created who was equipped with all the power from Me to make visible to the deity the powers that are in Me.

[6] In this spirit, the deity Himself wanted to determine the fixed point of His own active power – just like a human being, when he walks, will only find a fixed point of support on the firm ground of the Earth to activate his power to move forward. The resistance of the Earth itself is good, it is even the means by which the power actually appears and by which a moving forward can take place.

This power that was delivered, which was placed in the new spirit that came into existence, was the antipode – wanted by the deity – which means the contrast of all those qualities that you call divine.

That antipode is therefore not undivine, but makes it only possible to spread the right light of knowledge.

[7] Because it must be possible for every quality, when perfect, to be viewed from two sides. My perfection can be found where both sides fall into one point. Descending and ascending from this center point, they both lose themselves into infinity.

[8] Take love for example, the highest law and the most noble quality in the center of My heart. Everyone will easily perceive that a very loving person can increase further in his love, for it is clear that already on your Earth a more loving person can always be found. And nevertheless you will see that very loving people will also have the right antipode in them by which they are also capable to refuse, out of love and for wise reasons, all kinds of wishes if by that they were to harm those who came asking.

[9] If a being were created and placed on that border from which he freely can develop himself into both directions, it is easy to realize that he more and more will be able to develop the possibility in himself to refuse. He will by that separate himself more and more from the middle border and will finally loose himself into the most endless depths of the antipode, meaning in extreme hardening. Thus, when you look at a bad person you always can imagine a person that is worse, with less love, who will loose himself in egoism because of the extreme separation.

[10] Now, if I created a being who possessed all – mind you, without exception – just poles of My divine qualities, it does not mean that I completely did away with them, so that I as God would in a way only exist out of one half. It only means that I created a being whom I placed on that mentioned border, equipped with My almightiness with which he thus was active and whom I gave the freedom to develop himself upwards or downwards. And from that complete power I let him work freely.

[11] That first light of knowledge – meaning the knowledge of the possibility to develop oneself upwards or downwards – should keep the being in the center out of his free will, be active from there in very close connection with the divine initial Spirit and always create new beings with his own creative power, so that the Creator as well as the creature could truly delight in it and savor in that joyful activity a higher degree of blissfulness.

[12] Now if I tell you that the name of this first created spirit was 'Lucifer' (meaning 'Bearer of light'), you will also understand why he was named that way and not otherwise. He carried within himself the light of knowledge, and as first spiritual being he was well aware of the limits of the inner spiritual polarities. Equipped with My complete power, he now called other beings to life who were equal to him in everything. They also felt the deity and saw the same light of knowledge lighting up in them, and they also were active with their own creative power and were equipped with all the power of My Spirit. However, special powers of My initial Spirit were expressed in them, this means that for what concerns their character they became similar to My 7 most important qualities, and so their number was 7.

[13] One should not think that the 6 other qualities were then lacking if their character was similar to one of the 7 qualities, but their being possessed a special characteristic which made them the carrier of that special quality which they particularly developed, for already in the very beginning I

took care that My created beings would depend on each other by necessity – the best way to prevent them from becoming proud regarding each other.

[14] Lucifer, who surely knew that he represented the antipode of God in himself, thought now that it would be possible as it were to suck up the deity, and he fell into the misconception that he, as a created and so a finite being, could absorb the infinite into him, for also here the law was valid: ‘No one can see God (the infinite) and keep his life at the same time’. As a result of that, he could feel the essence of the deity and hear His commands as long as he was standing in the right center point, but he never could see Him personally.

[15] Now because a finite being can and will never understand the infinity, and can by that, regarding this point, easily fall into errors and by going down harden himself in these, Lucifer fell, despite all warnings, into the delusion that he could absorb and capture the deity. Through that, he left his right position, distanced himself from the center point of My heart and fell ever more victim to the wrong wish to gather around him his beings – who existed by him but out of Me – in order to rule over the spaces that were inhabited by all kinds of beings.

[16] Now there was a discord, that means a separation of groups which finally resulted in the withdrawal of the power that was given by Me to Lucifer, and with his followers he became powerless and his creative power was taken away.

[17] Of course, the question came up: ‘What will happen now with that multitude of fallen ones who were as if dead, that means without activity?’

[18] There were only two ways. The first way was: to destroy Lucifer with his followers and then create a second one who would probably be subjected to the same error since a more perfect spirit, completely set free out of Me and therefore not dependent of My will, could not be created. To create machines without will that execute what I command was not difficult. But to acquire the light of self-awareness was up to now the only way. Since also the other spirits were created by, that means via Lucifer, and who remained loyal to Me, they belonged to his sphere. A sudden destruction of Lucifer would thus also have resulted in the destruction of all living beings.

[19] Imagine a person who put his children and grandchildren around him who spring from him as mediator, but who actually still owe their life to Me. If the deeds, thoughts, and so on, of this person were destroyed forever, then also his descendants would be destroyed since otherwise the remembrance to him would still live on in them. Only a complete erasing of everything that ever came into contact with him – independent whether this was good or bad and deserved to be destroyed or not – would make a complete forgetting possible.

[20] But why should Lucifer deserve this since his fall took only place because of a misconception by which the possibility existed to do away with that misconception? Why would those beings who remained loyal have deserved their destruction? And finally: where would be My wisdom if since the very beginning I would not have known and foreseen about the possibility of the fall and that therefore to repeat the course of creation had to be excluded? And most of all: where would be My love if it would not hold back a destruction but rather find ways by its wisdom to bring the lost beings back to the light of knowledge so that as a result they would remain in the right balance of the polar qualities?

[21] So only the second way remained which you can see before you in the material creation.

[22] Imagine a person who absolutely does not want to realize that the king of the country is a mighty ruler since he, although equipped with all power and authority by that king, never saw him personally. He rebels against him and would raise himself to be king. In order not to bring the subordinates to ruin who remained loyal to him, the king grabs him, removes his splendor, takes away his authority and throws him in a locked chamber, just as long as it takes to let him come to

reason, and he will do the same with the followers. They will be freed according to how much the followers will do penance, realize their error and firmly adhere to the king who shows himself now also visibly to them.

[23] This weak earthly image shows you what I have done, because the material creation means that imprisonment. However, to understand the following you must awake the feeling of your soul, because the human reason falls too short to understand this.

[24] A soul is composed of numberless particles of which each one of them comes from an idea that originated from Me, and once he has found himself he cannot become anything else anymore than what he is because he then corresponds to the character that he accepted. When a crystal is crystallized, its characteristic cannot be changed anymore, and it crystallizes either as rhomboid, hexagon, octagon, and so on, according to the form of its nature, that means depending on how the parts accumulated around its life's center.

[25] Now when there has to be a change because the crystals did not end up completely pure, they have to be dissolved by warmth (love), to crystallize them out again during the cooling off of the warm love water which is the same as giving up their will. Now again new, beautiful crystals will form, and every careful chemist will in this manner know how to obtain the most beautiful, clearest and biggest crystals that correspond to his purpose.

[26] Look, such chemist am I. I dissolved the crystals that became impure (Lucifer and his followers) in the warm water of love and I let those souls crystallize out again to make them pure. That this happened by the ascension through the mineral kingdom and the plant kingdom up to man is known to you. But as the soul of Lucifer encloses the whole material creation, also that has to express itself in the form of a human being. That is why always all unions of spirits unite in one person, expressed by the leader of that union, and they form what is called his sphere. There is nothing similar on the material level which expresses this clearly. That is why I say: open up the feeling of your soul.

[27] Now it will also be clear to you that Lucifer thinks that he must act the way it happens, so that matter could be created – a misconception because it is not matter that is the end goal of My creation. But the only goal for the beings who were placed outside of Me is to know the truth in freedom, to love and to understand the deity. Matter is only the means for that. Lucifer wanted to hold on to this second misconception and lost himself in the outer limits of his polar qualities while he lied to himself that he had to maintain matter because of that. Enough freedom was given to him to penetrate matter, that means to consciously contemplate in himself so that he as very first created spirit would realize what kind of suffering he caused to his companions and that by that he may turn around. But this he did not do and only from then on he wanted to rule as a king of matter that belonged to him. That is why he darkened as much as possible the human crystals, which came to development again, to maintain his kingdom, because the battle with God seemed great, exalting and life sustaining to him.

[28] The human crystals that also had to be set free again in order to attain to the goal could be inclined to him or to Me, and during their life they repeatedly fell into his nets. Look at paganism in which he let himself be honored as king, and honor his polar qualities, which also contain great wisdom, as gods.

[29] Now one will ask: Why did I allow all this? This remains incomprehensible when one does not look at the final goal, and that is: to freely recognize oneself in God.

[30] If it pleases a leader of a nation to live wrongly and he drags his followers with him, what is the quickest way to reach the goal to bring the right light to all? Indeed, when the leader of the nation himself will give up his wrongdoings, because his followers will quickly follow him. But by trying to

turn his followers away from him individually, just as long as he will stand alone, the goal will be much more delayed.

[31] For Me it is always: take on the kernel, and if it cannot be changed, then make a detour.

[32] Since during the imprisonment – think now about the image of the king – the reproach was always made: ‘If I just could see the king, I would believe in him’, this became the reason for My incarnation, firstly for those who fell, and secondly to make the deity personally visible to those who did not fall, and so to award their faith.

[33] Herein lies the secret of My incarnation which had to break through matter that otherwise had to become harder and harder in case Lucifer would lose himself ever more in the hardness of his antipode. Therefore, My incarnation made this to stop and showed very precisely the way to be free from idol worship and the worship of the polar qualities. And also, firstly proof had to be given that death, by which people became attached to matter and its pleasures, can be overcome as the highest goal that can be reached, and secondly that life does not take place in matter but in spirit, and that the first mentioned is only a prison for the last mentioned.

[34] It is obvious that I prepared the most suitable country, people and family where My offering would certainly succeed, for otherwise Lucifer would have been able to conquer Me, and the history of the Jewish people is an answer to the question where this has to happen. (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 25, chap. 42)

## **About the spirit world in eternal, infinite space. The power of God’s children in eternity**

"1. Asks Simon of Cana, ‘Lord, would You not tell us where heaven, wherein the angels dwell, is actually situated, also how large it is and how large the world of matter, which You mentioned, might be?’

2. Say I, ‘Friend, you are blind if you do not see and comprehend this. If I mentioned that heaven was endlessly vast, how can you ask about its size? The spiritual Kingdom of Heaven is everywhere as endlessly extended as this endless universe of which you can see with your eyes but an unspeakably tiny fraction.

3. This earth, the great sun, the moon and the stars all of which are immense worlds, some of them thousands upon thousand million times larger than this earth - all that taken together is - compared to the endlessly vast creation of the material world, in magnitude and vastness not even as much as the smallest dewdrop compared to the immense ocean which is so vast that a good sailor would need more than twice the age of Methuselah to sail over all of its area. However, the material world up to now, as much as has already been created, still has a limit beyond which there exists an infinite, eternal space compared to the absolutely endless expansion of which, in all directions, the entire aforesaid creation of the whole material world is like a moment compared to eternity.

4. Thus, the spirit world is quite as endless as infinite space that does not end anywhere.

5. Although space has nowhere an end in eternity and is thus truly endless in all directions, there is in its most endless depths and distances not a single spot where the spirit of God’s wisdom and might is not as much present as now here among you. The true children of God, who will excel in proper love for God, the holy Father from eternity, and also in pure love for their neighbours, shall beyond in the great house of the Father obtain the might and the power to forever fill the infinite space with more and more new creations.

6. You, however, are still too ignorant and cannot grasp what I have now told you. But this I nevertheless tell you: No mortal eye can see nor ear hear and no earthly sense can ever grasp what beyond in the Kingdom of Heaven awaits those who become worthy of being called children of God.
7. For, before the eyes of true children of God the earths, suns and moons shall be floating like glimmering dust.
8. Therefore, do not be only hearers, but be doers of My Word.
9. Only the deed will let you recognise whether the words I have spoken to you, and am still speaking, are coming to you from the mouth of a man or from God's mouth.' [John 7:17]
10. But just as you are yourselves to be complete doers of My Word - if you are to be of an enlivening conviction as to Who is He that has given you this teaching and Commandment of love, so you are to also spurn on to the deed all those to whom you proclaim My Word, because as long as the Word merely adheres to the brain, it has no higher worth than the braying of a donkey, which also is audible.
11. Only when the word penetrates the heart does it become live, taking hold of the will, which is the focus of love, driving the whole man unto action.
12. Through such action a new man arises within the old and My word actually becomes new flesh and blood.
13. And only this new-man shall show you that My Words truly are of God, having today the same authority, power and effect as eternities of eternities ago; because everything you see, feel, smell, taste and hear is basically nothing other than God's Word.
14. He Who eternities ago out of Himself commanded the worlds, suns and moons to be, placing them in their extensive tracks, the Same is now placing you into new tracks of eternal life!
15. But I say to you furthermore that, he who receives you also receives Me; but he who receives Me receives also Him who sent Me unto you [Mt. 10:40] - which you ought to comprehend properly!" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 1, chap. 140)

## **The end of earthly matter**

[1] (The Lord) – Therefore I tell you all: Whoever will seek, find and recognize Me, and then love Me above all else, and his neighbor as himself with all patience and with all his strength, either here or at least then on the other side, will be My child, that is, My son and My daughter! But whoever will not seek Me, nor find or recognize Me, and therefore will not love Me and will also show a full lack of love towards his fellow man, will never achieve My childhood in all eternity! For My children must be perfect, just as I as their true Father Himself am perfect!

[2] But the children of the world, who later are quite likely going to be purified, will remain inhabitants of those worlds and communities for which they are suitable and in which they were purified. Yet they will never be free to enter the eternal Father's house in the center of the innermost Heaven as are My true children who, together with Me, will be judging the whole of infinity forevermore.

[3] But this Earth will bear many people after the predicted last, great purification, just as it does now; but these future people will be very much better than the present ones and will at all times have My living word.

[4] But when the Earth once, after a for you inconceivable number of years, will have released all its prisoners, it will be transformed in the sea of light of the sun into a spiritual Earth. For the lowest husk and shell which previously accommodated the living spirits and souls is like pumice; although it is no longer an actual life-element, it is still a heavy and broken organic matter harboring the lowest kind of directed spirits inside itself.

[5] What is one supposed to do with the substrate, if all intelligent life has freed itself from it? Should it float around fully dead in the endless space as a definite burnt-out lump of pumice, devoid of all further purpose? Or should it or could it nonetheless be something in the spheres of the living and perfected spirits of the most varied types? Yes, it should be something; for nothing can exist anywhere in the endless space, which is also My kingdom and My eternal house, as fully dead and purposeless! But in order to speak of a purpose, one must indeed unmistakably speak of a spiritual one, lasting eternally, since there can never be a materially eternal purpose anywhere.

[6] All matter, as something limited spatially and temporally, can only have a temporal purpose. But if such a thing has fully carried out its purpose in a certain period, and if a higher goal in life has been achieved with it as the means, and if it, the matter, as a former vessel, useful and suitable for a certain purpose, has become fragile, loose, holey and thereby fully useless for any further similar purpose – what else should happen then with the lump of pumice?

[7] Look at a bucket by a well! What becomes of it after it has served for many years to draw water? Can it as fully fragile and pitted still be used to draw water? No; therefore it will be taken off and burnt and thereby will fully disintegrate into smoke, air and some ash, which however is likewise disintegrated with time by the humidity of the air into a simple form of air and only then can be serviceable in the disintegrated state of the air as a good basis for the real spiritual being. And even if it is no longer one and the same water pail, nonetheless a highly tender and subtle shell globe structure can be created from it, which can be a carrier of the living water from Me.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 5, chap. 6)

## **The material worlds will once be changed into spiritual worlds. Children and creatures of God.**

[1] (The Lord) “That which through men’s reasoning happens – or is sure to happen – to the old water-bucket, will also happen in the distant future to the earth as well as to all other worlds, even the primordial central suns. They will become completely spiritual worlds carrying and harboring the blessed spirits.

[2] But such worlds will then not only be inhabited externally, but instead much more internally in all their inner temples of life corresponding similarly to their previous organic, material forms.

[3] Only then will men as perfected spirits learn thoroughly about the inner nature of the worlds that once carried them; and there will be no end to their joy and wonderment over their exceedingly wonderful and complex inner organic structure from the smallest to the largest organs.

[4] The small planets that have no light of their own, such as this earth, its moon, the so-called Venus, Mercury, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn, and still other similar planets belonging to this sun,

including the many comets – which later also become planets carrying human beings, partly through an actual union with a planet already carrying humans, and partly in their own right as matured planets, all these will disintegrate in the sun, after – by your concepts – eons of time.

[5] The sun and its many companions will dissolve in its central sun (of the local star cluster or ‘sun area’). These central suns, which can be of an enormous age and for which one eon (decillion times decillion) of earth years is what for this earth is one year, will dissolve in the central suns of the galaxies, which suns, in their over-all proportions – to express it in the Arabic way – are, of course, million million (= trillion or 1,012) times larger again. These galaxy central suns again will dissolve in the central suns of the super galaxies, which suns are again in the same proportion larger. These central suns of the super galaxies will finally be dissolved in the one primordial central sun whose physical dimensions, by your standards, are truly immeasurable.

[6] But where, then, will these find their final disintegration? In the fire of My will, and out of this final disintegration all the planets will then revert, though spiritually, to their previous order and service and then spiritually continue to exist in all their splendor and greatness and delight.

[7] Of course, you must not imagine all this to happen tomorrow, or the day after tomorrow; but picture in your mind’s eye all the grains of sand on the earth and imagine that each is one earth year, and the resulting years would hardly be sufficient to account for the duration of the material Earth. It is impossible to imagine the much longer existence of the sun and, much less, that of one of the central suns of the first order, the central suns of the second order, let alone the for you immeasurable duration of the central suns of the super galaxies, or even of a primordial central sun, and this all the less because the suns will keep bringing forth new worlds, the central suns new planetary suns and the primordial central suns whole legions of suns of every kind.

[8] But despite such incalculable lengths of time for you of the great worlds its time will one day nonetheless be over and then once again a period of creation will have taken its course and be completed. After that a new period of creation will begin in an endlessly remote region of space of creation. And you will be taking an active part in this, as well as in countless others following it, but only as My true children.

[9] For whoever does not achieve the childhood of God on the path that is shown, will remain, live and act and walk on his spiritual earth as an indeed complete, sensible and ever-blessed creature and will even visit other neighboring spiritual worlds – yes, he will be able to travel across the whole surface of the globe! But in all eternity he will go no further, and the need to achieve something higher in an active, living way will not burn in him.

[10] But My children will always be with Me and will think, feel, want and act along with Me as if with one heart! That will be the endlessly great difference between My true children and the creatures blessed with common sense and understanding. Therefore make sure that you will one day be found to be suitable and worthy to be My children!” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 5, chap. 7)