

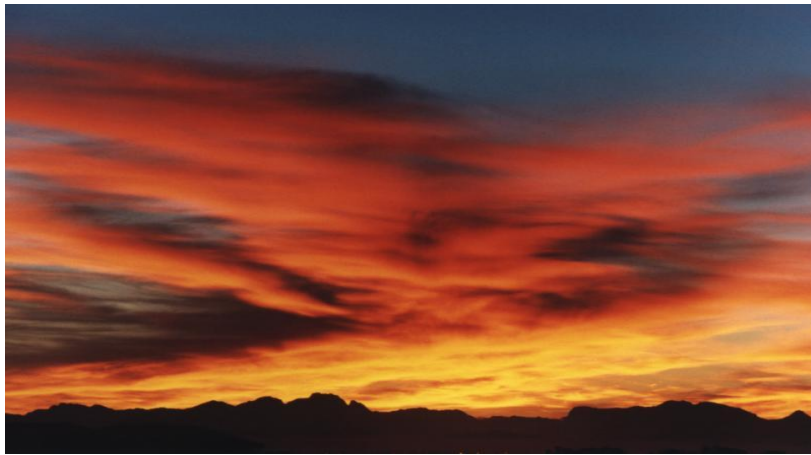
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THE SECOND COMING OF THE LORD

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Excerpts from THE NEW REVELATION of JESUS CHRIST

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„For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” (Matthew 24:24-31)

“For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father’s glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what he has done.” (Matthew 16:27)

“For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day. But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation. And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in

marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Remember Lot's wife. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it. I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body is, thither will the eagles be gathered together." (Luke 17:24-37)

"I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8)

"And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." (Luke 21:34-38)

"At that time men will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens." (Mark 13:26-27)

THE NEW REVELATION

From 1840 to 1864, and from 1870 to 1877, **JESUS CHRIST** dictated to the Austrian musician **Jakob Lorber** and to German **Gottfried Mayerhofer** the greatest and largest spiritual message ever offered to humanity.

The revelations were received by the two scribes of the Lord through **Inner Word**, meaning Lorber and later, Mayerhofer heard them very clearly in the region of their heart and wrote them faithfully down, without adding any personal contribution. They were perfectly awake, they didn't experience any states of altered consciousness, nor were they some mediums for automatic writing whose hands were guided by a spirit-entity.

The writings of Lorber and Mayerhofer, comprising tens of volumes are known as **THE NEW REVELATION**, the extraordinary spiritual teaching that **JESUS CHRIST** brought to mankind, almost 2000 years after his earthly life. The following are surely not all the prophecies and predictions that can be found in the works of the New Revelation concerning our end-times and the Second Coming of the Lord. The Scriptural prophecies about this event thus benefit from a strong support, but also from an explanation and an important development in the following texts. Amazing predictions dating from 19th century concerning our contemporary scientific and technological civilization are also easily observable.

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Sermon 1

First Sunday in Advent

Chap. 1 from **The Lord's Sermons** (through Gottfries Mayerhofer)

Luke 21, 25-26: *" And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars; and upon the earth distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken."*

(November 23, 1871)

„This is that text from the Gospels with which the ecclesiastical year usually begins. It is read to the believers at church every year, explained in one way or another, so as to best serve the preacher's purpose. Even if many of them do speak of signs and miracles, only a few know what these signs actually consist in and in what way they will announce the time to come. Most preachers choose their explanations of this text from the political life thus endeavoring to explain what is spiritual with worldly examples. This is quite as futile an effort as if one would try to explain the spiritual world through the material, whereas it should be the other way round, since the happenings in the world are the result of spiritual upheavals.

Behold, My children, when in those times I spoke of signs and predicted to the Jews the destruction of their temple, only few of them believed My words because they did not know Me. Now, when I am telling you the same, there are quite as many doubters and non-believers expecting the signs from a different side than where they will actually be coming from.

At that time I predicted the destruction of the temple of Jerusalem and the end of the Jewish people as an independent nation. I told them that the way in which they were observing their religious laws was contrary to what Moses and the Prophets had wanted to give them, and that an end must be made to this conception and practice by means of the true interpretation for the sake of which I had come and sacrificed My life.

They did not want to relinquish what through habit had long since become their faith or religion. For them the temple in Jerusalem represented the spiritual edifice of religion. However, since things were so bad in that temple and religion was preached and practiced to suit the interests of priests and Pharisees, this material temple had to be destroyed if mankind were not to rot in the muddy, stagnant water of their lowest passions. Another, spiritual, everlasting temple, for which I laid the foundation-stone during My life on earth, could only be built on the ruins of the former. As from that time and since My ascension, signs have been given, and still are being given, until My Second Coming, admonishing people to convert, but it never seemed to be the right time to destroy the present temple, namely Rome and its establishment. Even if a ray of light heralding the future illumined the heart of many a person, in Rome it stayed dark and kept getting darker instead of lighter .

What once happened in Jerusalem, where the armed Roman power during a long time respected the religion and customs of the Jews and gave them a free hand, has happened also with Rome until this day. The mighty, with the sword in their hand, well aware of the nuisance in Rome, did not want to make an end to it, but preferred to use it in their own interest. However, just as once the Jews brought about the destruction of the temple and their own downfall through their presumptuous and rebellious attitude, the edifice of the infallible on Peter's chair in Rome will collapse through the presumption and blindness of his own assistants and will have to make room for My teaching as once before.

What happened when I first came to the earth as a man will happen again. There will be signs - happy they who understand and heed them for their own benefit and that of their fellowmen!

Spiritually that which has been predicted will commence - and actually has already commenced - with exactly the same symptoms as once during My pilgrimage on earth. Wars and uprisings, the persecution of My followers, fear of the future and all kinds of diseases were the early signs then and shall not be absent today. Not that I am sending them, but men work their own destiny through non-comprehension of My divine words that shall remain unchanged forever. The wind of spiritual freedom is blowing also today, penetrating all human hearts. The human rights that have been disregarded for so long want to be respected and no longer trampled underfoot by just one class - the more powerful.

It says that even a worm will turn when trod upon. Well, the mighty of the church and the world have trod on the worm long enough, endeavoring to completely subjugate it and let human dignity begin only with them. But they went too far. This they feel and are now - in their fear of the consequences - looking for means to stop this development. But in vain! As once in Jerusalem, also these mighty of today will reap what they have sown.

At that time I advised My followers to be moderate in everything, to retain their souls and bodies pure and not to misuse them, so that they may stand purified before the Son of Man when He shall come.

The same admonition applies also today: "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation!" Keep yourselves pure, gain strength through your faith in My love and My divine care which, even if it allows the most terrible things to happen, will never punish those who have followed My teaching with child-like trust and practiced it with faithful zeal.

The signs of the time will pass you by when you have learned to adapt your body to a minimum of physical needs, but instead are more concerned with the building up of your spiritual being. Then - as once My followers did - you will praise My greatness, love and mercy even over smoking ruins of worldly splendor and battlefields, where matter has been defeated, but the spirit liberated. Amen"

The Latter Days - Sermon 53 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday After Trinity

Matthew XXIV, 15-28: ***"When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out***

of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: But for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together." (May 4, 1872)

This is the last Gospel I shall explain to you. It deals with the latter days of Judaism, also the final conditions among mankind and even the last events at the end of the visible world which, transformed and rising to higher levels, will commence a new cycle.

I once predicted to My disciples the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem, the first act of the end of the Jews as a people. They had then lost their importance as a people and were no longer worthy of living together in a country of their own on this earth, after having endeavored to destroy the greatest kingdom that has ever existed, My everlasting Spiritual Kingdom. They had been chosen from the very beginning through their religion and their prophets to become that nation into the midst of which I could descend to the earth, but afterwards they proved themselves quite unsuited to embrace and spread My teaching.

The light of truth was conveyed only to My disciples and a few elect of that nation. The others rejected it and preferred the darkness and sticking to the dead letter, a trait they have not got rid of to this day, although they are compelled to live dispersed among all the other nations.

History tells you clearly how everything I predicted really came true soon after My ascension to My Kingdom. Thus ended with the temple, which spiritually had already been destroyed long ago, the history of a people I had chosen from among many to be the carrier and promoter of My eternal truth.

I had also predicted to My disciples how, in the course of time, My religion, My teaching, would keep growing stronger in its fight with Judaism, in its progress benefiting its followers more and more, whilst Judaism with its cult, instead of progressing, has remained stagnant and its followers are still today waiting for the Messiah with the same worldly ideas as they did almost two thousand years ago. Already then I had endeavored to enlighten them with regard to their wrong concepts, but their obstinacy was My greatest opposition.

Everything in My creation keeps progressing. Everything changes and in this change perfects itself. Only the Jews did not want any innovation or change, and so they can blame only themselves for their lot - being despised by all nations since they serve only that which is the most inferior thing on earth, mammon. Thus he who strives after material instead of spiritual values punishes himself, for My Kingdom, even though it appears to be material in its visible form, is only spirit and not matter.

What happened to the Jews at the time Jerusalem was destroyed will happen again at the end of today's mankind. There will again be the horrors of war and destruction, only in a different form. And just as in

those times the few that believed in Me had a better lot or, if it was hard, were better able to bear it thanks to their firm faith in Me, thus it will be in the time preceding My Second Coming. Then, too, faith and trust will have disappeared on earth because mankind, or at least the majority of men, will be favoring the world and its pleasures, as can already be noticed everywhere.

Therefore, the purification of the spiritual sphere of the soul must be undertaken in accordance with what I said of the fig tree in the Gospel. When it starts to come into leaf and develop sap, it is the time preceding the summer, the time prior to development and fructification, which spiritually compares with the time of testing and separation, when man has to account for the spiritual values entrusted to him.

Natural events, accidents and diseases preceding this time are the last efforts to save whatever can be saved, that not all may suffocate in the mire of selfishness. The arrogant human heart can only be made pliable through misfortune and blows of fate.

Like reality, truth must present itself in a naked form, unembellished by illusions. Only thus can it have a healing effect. And when the material world presents itself undisguised in its transient and deceptive nature, when it rejects a man mockingly, scornfully turning its back on him who wanted to caress it, only then - usually too late - can the spiritual begin to effect its influence; only then are better thoughts and purer emotions awakened. Thus I, as a loving Father, have to guide man towards recognition of the true value of things so that he may find Him Who is permanent peace.

It is obvious that these ever-increasing efforts are being opposed with all available means, that believers have to put up with ridicule, revenge and persecution, that false as well as true prophets will endeavor to teach the people and that, in the end, most will be totally confused. As it was before the deluge, My admonitions will be futile with many, and only few will mend their ways. However, when events precipitate, most people will be saved spiritually, and then they will thank Me that I have saved them through such severe measures from the general destruction.

When all these unfortunate happenings will befall mankind, as once happened to the Jews with the destruction of their temple and Jerusalem, - whose fault will it be? Am I a God of revenge, Who wants the blood and misery of so many thousands? Or are not they responsible who want to bend everything to their own will and would like - if at all possible to upset even the great laws of the material as well as the spiritual world?

I have it written down here for all the world to know! As I once predicted the downfall of the Jewish people, which also came to pass, you have here in 53 sermons plenty of admonitions and predictions wherein I have made it quite clear to you what is going to happen, and how and when it will take place, in order to guide My erring children onto the right path. Already at that time I told My disciples: "The Gospel of the Kingdom of God will be preached in all the world!" - and it is this work which I now give you as a token of My love and grace.

The time of abomination and desolation is to be understood in a spiritual rather than a material sense, for what is said in the Gospel as, for instance: "Let him which is on the housetop not come down!" and so on, means: Let go all that is worldly and stick to that which is imperishable, spiritual! There you find the anchor that can securely hold the vessel of your life in the storms of material misfortune and spiritual distress! Without this anchor you will find no rest, no peace!

Therefore, gather around Me and hold fast to Me and My teaching! For, as is written: "Heaven and earth shall pass away." Yes, heaven and earth will pass away; they will dissolve into other elements from which other forms and other worlds will arise. The whole of creation will go through the same process as the Jewish people, which with its traditions and its religion was the basis for My teaching.

I have put My Spirit into everything in creation, even the smallest atom, to enable matter to develop into something greater and higher. Thus the Jewish people was the best suited element within which I could descend to the earth and - as in the entire visible creation - complete My great spiritual task. However, just as the Jewish people, after its mission, ceased to be a nation and as mankind, after its purification, will cease to be a carrier of all the selfish desires, because there has to be made way for something better, the whole of creation, which so far is still the basis of My love for all created beings, also will one day have to cease being the manifestation of My divine thoughts.

When the created beings will have matured to a stage of spiritualization where even the finest matter must appear gross, then this world, so rich in wonders and beauty, will be too gross a carrier for the pure spiritual and must be dissolved. The entire creation must be adapted to those dwelling in it. At that time the Son of man will appear in glory - as I once stated - because also the created beings will have attained a spiritual condition that will make it possible for them to bear this brilliance and glory. Then the highest spirits and angels will be gathering the elect from the four winds and from one end of the universe to the other.

This will happen repeatedly, each time on a higher level involving greater beatitudes. I can reveal Myself to My spirits only to a point comprehensible to them. However, since I am infinite, conceptions of Me are infinite, too, and My Kingdom would not be infinite if a constant enhancement of the spiritual potencies were not possible.

All this I predicted to My disciples using parables, not only that they might know it, but to provide proof that My words are not transient and will remain true forever. Do not think that I came into the world for you alone and suffered only for the sake of the small earth and its inhabitants. My deeds are deeds of infinity! Also the Bible, which partly contains My words spoken during My years on earth, is not just for you, but belongs to all creation.

Even if millions of worlds do not yet know of My existence, the time will come when these words of God will reach them and be comprehended according to their spiritual level. Then those who are fully reborn in the spirit will shed the hard shell of the letter and literal interpretation, and the pure and profound meaning of God's words, the words of a loving Father, will speak to all creation, clearly comprehensible: "All of you love, oh love one another!" For I created the world out of love, and out of love I performed the greatest act of meekness on your earth; out of love I am purifying mankind through distress and suffering, so that My words, which I once spoke and have now explained in this Gospel, shall remain true everlastingly. They have no other purpose than to make My children into that which many have been only in name.

As after a thunderstorm, so it will be after the abomination of desolation, and the sun of grace shall shine again for all in its full brilliance. As the spiritual atmosphere will have been cleansed from all the poisons, everything will be ready for a new, active life, just like the refreshed earth after a thunderstorm. Amen."

The context of the Second Coming

"[20] Now we come to the explanation of the fifth word that I have spoken on the cross. These words of comfort: **"Even today you will be with Me in Paradise"** I spoke to Dismas who hung at the cross at the right side of Me. However, these words were not only meant for him, but for everyone who accepts My teaching and lives according to it. Why I promised Dismas only Paradise and not Heaven I already made clear at the beginning of this booklet. Soon the time will come when only a few will be able to only acquire Paradise, for it is allowed by Me that people in their free will can do everything they want. And before the time of My great judgment will come, even evil spirits are given the freedom to turn to the initial Light for their conversion and return (by which of course the good angels are given the assignment to protect My children and to keep them from the traps of the Satan). Then the word will be fulfilled "There will come a time when, if it were allowed, even the believing would turn away".

[21] What kind of time will that be, will you ask? And I say to you: **this is a time of pride, arrogance, stinginess, sexual perversion, prostitution in all kinds of forms, which keeps all nations in its grip and which makes them sink ever deeper in their pool of sins out of which eternally no return can be expected without My help.**" (7 Words on the Cross, chap. 6)

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" At My second coming I will not be born somewhere as a child from a woman because this body will remain glorified in eternity - just as I in Spirit - and thus I do not ever need a 2nd body as you had in mind.

First **I will come invisibly in the clouds of the Heavens**, which means: first I will come close to men by truthful seers, wise men and newly awakened prophets, and in that time also woman will prophecy and young men will have clear dreams by which they will announce My coming to the people, and many will listen to it and improve their life, but the world will call them daydreamers and will not believe them, as this was also the case with the prophets.

[4] **So I also will awaken men from time to time to whom I will say by means of their heart to the pen, everything that now during My presence, is, happens and is being discussed. What will then be written once will in a short time of a few weeks and days be multiplied in many thousands of copies in a very artful manner which will be very well known by the people of that time, and so they can be conveyed to the people. And since the people of that time will almost generally know how to read and write, they also will be able to read and understand those new books themselves.**

In this way, the spreading of My teaching will then again be given anew and pure from the Heavens to all men on the whole Earth, much faster and effective than now by messengers in My name from mouth to mouth.

Once My teaching will be brought in this manner among the people who are of good will and have a living faith, and when at least one third of the people will know about it, I will also personally, visibly and bodily, come to different places, to those who love Me most and have the greatest desire for My return, and who for that reason will also have full and living faith." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, Book 21 - chap. 62. The Return of the Lord)

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(The Lord to His disciples:)“From now on **not fully 2000 years will pass** until the great judgment will be taking place. That will then be a last judgment on this earth. From then on Paradise will be established on earth and a wolf and a lamb will be living peacefully in the same fold and will be eating together from one bowl.

But not long before the judgment also the sign of the Son of Man will be visible in the heavens, that is, heaven within man will accept Me as the sole Lord of heaven and earth, and man’s soul will be praising and extolling Me.

That will, however, not yet be man’s perfection. Only when in the clouds of heaven, in a blaze of light and with a sound as of many trumpets of war and judgment , I shall, with all the mighty of the heavens, appear before all men in the living Word in the true heaven which is in men’s hearts, will the judgment of the world have come.

The righteous will then enter into My glory and the evil-doers will be consumed by the fire of My just wrath and enter the sphere of their evil works which has been prepared for all incorrigible devils. For let the one who spontaneously chooses hell be under its curse, just as it is cursed in itself. And as the good will remain good forever, so will the evil as such forever remain evil and, as a foundation under judgment , will forever have to serve Me as a footstool.

I Myself, however, will not judge anyone of My primordially divine personality; only My Word, which I have spoken to you, will do that. Once I shall have ascended into My Kingdom, I shall never again return to earth in the flesh, only in spirit, in the Word, and it will then be as it was in the beginning, when it said: ‘In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.’

Once I shall no longer be with you in the flesh, as I am now, but will be among you only in spirit, then I will also be able to give you all the power and might of My Spirit which, of course, I am Myself from eternity. In the spirit and its power I will remain with you to the end of time of this earth until it will have matured the last spirit under judgment . With this earth also the cradle for God’s children will cease to exist and from there on all will be judged spiritually.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VI/ 174, 7 on)

Who was Jakob Lorber?

“This scene lasted for about one hour, and all those who were present asked every possible question to the spirits who answered them in a very friendly way. Then I called John the Baptist and Elijah to Me, whom those who were present knew only in the personality of the Baptist. And I said loudly in the presence of all: “You have been My predecessor in this great time of My coming to the people, and you will again be My predecessor when that great time will arise about which I have spoken. But the people will not recognize you then, despite that you will know who you actually are, because that last temptation in the flesh that you can expect will become the foundation for the building of the dawning kingdom of peace.

[2] The people at the time of your next life will care little about your word, but it will be written in their soul with burning letters so that they will nevertheless feel it when they will be free of their body. That word of you will be My Word, and I will demand an account of everyone who heard it but despised it.

[3] But you, My loved ones and faithful ones who are gathered around Me and are surprised about the things that clearly happen now before your eyes, will form the tribe of those who will form the new elect people, and you yourselves will contribute to its foundation in My name as a great brotherhood that draws strength from My Spirit to perform great deeds.

[4] And so, I let you go now to make a start by which the lost son will be forced to come back home after he did not want to listen to the calling voice of the Father. Amen." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 25 chap. 55)

Prophecies of the New Revelation. Other references and explanations about it

"[3] Because in the distant future I will also awaken helpers and by the spirit in their heart I will dictate to them everything what has happened now and what has been taught since the time that I have began My mastership and made you as My first disciples, and also what will happen next and still a lot of other things. And since this will be possible to Me in the distant future, it will be all the more possible with you to dictate by the spirit of your heart everything which I consider necessary to write down." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 19, chp 27)

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"[5] When this chair will have become moldered and will have no more firmness, I will return and My Kingdom with Me. Then also you will come with Me to the Earth and will be My witnesses before those with whom we still will find the true and pure faith.

[6] But at that time also a great purification will be necessary, so that the people will know Me again and will only believe in Me. But about that which I have now revealed to you confidentially you still should keep silent now. The time will come when it will be proclaimed aloud from all roof tops. [...]

[14] And as the great world sea can be compared to all creatures of the whole Earth, so the great kingdom of spirits can be compared to the different earthly life conditions of the people on this Earth. Every individual person is as a little brook, a community is a somewhat bigger brook, a big brook is already as a people, the river is a nation, and the sea represents in the first place, and more specifically at its extensive shores, all nations of the Earth who develop into the same element. The ocean, which has no shores as such, represent the people in the spiritual kingdom, which carries infinity in itself and is consequently by its entire living condition the foundation of all there is.

[15] All the created natural life depends on, as already explained, the continuous movement of the world sea. The more the sea comes to great activity through heavy storms and currents the more life

activity it will wake up with all the created beings of the solid Earth and will consequently bring also a better growth.

[16] Correspondingly, when men become, concerning their inner life activity, lukewarm, lazy, sleepy and without light, then immediately great movements will arise in the endless great spirit world, and these will then cause by their influence also all kinds of movements and waves among men who still live on this Earth. Then one nation rises against the other, one teaching fights against the other, and this will continue for a long time until men will be led to the greatest possible life activity.

[17] As a result, it will then also become clearer and lighter among them. The apparent need makes them inventive and forces them in this manner to an ever greater and more orderly activity. Because of that, the nations will learn to know each other, who before hardly knew anything of each other, and in time they will become useful for each other, and in course of time the light will increase among them and will in the first place bring about a greater longing for an almost tangible proven truth of life.

[18] When finally the need will become more general and the people will be no more satisfied with the pure authoritative belief, which is all the time a cause of the dark and lazy superstition, **then the time will have come to give them a great and tangible light of life, full of clearness and truth.**

[19] And look, a lot of people on the whole Earth who nowadays are as if seized by a deep sleep by all kinds of laziness and darkness of life, must thus be led into a heavy stormy movement until they can be awakened after a long series of periods of time to a point where in this awakened condition they finally begin to feel what they are lacking." (Chap 10. The order in the household of God - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN - Book 20)

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"Since egoism as antithesis to My love and love as such has become the main hobby of today's mankind and since as a result of this foolish behavior My patience is beginning to run out, **this Word** (the New Revelation) **is being given you again so that before the general decline many may still be saved from completely losing their human dignity, their sole share in the spiritual world.**" (Secrets of life, p. 90).

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"If however, it should one day be necessary, I shall anew awaken men whom I shall inform of all that has happened here and what the world has to expect because of his incorrigible wickedness.

How all this will happen, I shall, when again dwelling in My heaven, reveal in veiled pictures for all the world to you, My brother John, still in this world." (reference to Revelation of John) (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol. 1, 217:14-15)

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[1] (The Lord:) "I said, that you will see wonderful things of the rarest kind; now, except for the light ball which was brought by Raphael from deep within High-Africa, nothing further has happened, although the middle of the night has already been crossed. Earlier on I have drawn your attention to this, that for a short while I will open your eyes, so that you as an introduction can see how the world actually looks like.

[2] However, before I do this, I say and instruct you all, that you absolutely cannot tell anybody about your visions; since for this mankind of the world will not nearly be ready for a very long time, and basically it is also not necessary for the salvation of their souls, that mankind of the world learn about something like this! If only they very much wanted to accept, to love God above all and their neighbor like themselves, everything else, as far as necessary, will be revealed to them anyway.

[3] But you, as the first fundamental pillars of My teaching, must by yourself secretly know more than all the others together, so that you after a while surely not be tempted to renegade from this My teaching.

[4] Nevertheless, all this will still not get lost, and **if a thousand and nearly again thousands of years has passed and My teaching has been completely buried in the dirtiest matter, I will during that time again awaken men, who conscientious will write down word-for-word in a large book what has been discussed here by you and by Me, and will be given to the world, by which many eyes will be opened again!"**

[5] Nota Bene: You, My servant and writer, now think, that I did not mention it at that time?! Do you also want to become weak in your faith, as you are still weak in your flesh?! See, I say it to you, that I even gave your and a few others names to Cyrenius and Cornelius, and who are now the joyful witnesses of everything what I tell you in the pen. But at the end I also will give to you the names, who from now on in 2,000 years will write down and do even greater things than you are now! Remember this for the time being and write down everything in full faith!

[6] About this Cyrenius was very surprised and Cornelius asked Me about the men to whom this will be given.

[7] And I gave them the standing and the character and even their names and added: "One of them, to whom will be revealed more than to you all now, will in a direct line be a descendant of the oldest son of Joseph and will therefore according to his body also be a true descendant of David. Thus he will be of the same weak flesh as David, but therefore even stronger in the spirit! Good for them, who will listen to them and arrange their lives accordingly.

[8] But even the other great-awakened will mainly be descendants of David. Since such things can only be given to those, who even regarding the flesh descended from there, from where also I descended according to My flesh; since even I descended from David via Maria, the mother of this My body, because Maria is also a completely pure daughter of David. However, **during that time the descendants of David will mainly live in Europe**, but they nevertheless will be completely pure and true descendants of the man according to the heart of God and therefore able to be carriers of the greatest light out of the heavens. They surely will never sit on an earthly throne, but even more will wait for them in My kingdom, and I surely will always think of My brothers! But also most of My disciples, who are here, descend from their fathers side from David and are therefore in all seriousness My bodily brothers,

accept for one who is not from above but purely from this world. He was not supposed to be among them, and still he has to be there, so that that, what has been written, is being fulfilled!"

[9] Says Cyrenius quite amazed: "Thus only to the descendants of David You will always reveal Your will? Are Mathael, Zinka and Zorel also descendants of the great king? Since You also reveal to them the same as to the descendants of David!"

[10] I said: "Friend, this here does not take place in a manner of a secret revelation, but by way of an open word perceptible to every flesh ear! But it is something completely different to receive the secret, inner word, which comes from My word into the heart of him, who hears it in himself; and for that a certain prepared line of people is required, whose inner is capable, to endure the omnipotence and all-power of My word! Since every unprepared would already be destroyed and killed by only one word coming directly from Me. Once it has been written, then people with a good will and a good sense can read it; it will not only not kill them, but strengthen for the eternal life.

[11] But if evil world people would read it, to mock about it, they also would be destroyed and killed, although it is only written! Now you also know how these things are standing; and I say now, that you be prepared, to see the wonders of origin, being and permanence forever!"

[12] Says Cyrenius: "Lord, we are prepared to see, what Your great and very special mercy will show us; but only a very small question I still want to be answered by You, if it is permitted!"

[13] I said: "Just keep on asking, and I will answer you!" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 44)

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"It is obvious that believers will have to endure scorn, vengeance and persecution, that false, but also true prophets will be seeking to indoctrinate the people and that in the end there will be a complete confusion of concepts for the majority. Many will not heed My warnings, just as it was prior to the Flood, and only few will be converted. However, **when the events precipitate, the majority will still be saved spiritually, and they will thank Me for having saved them from perdition by such harsh means.** Whose fault will it be when all these unfortunate events do befall mankind? Am I a God of revenge, or is it not rather the fault of those who strive to bend everything to suit them and even would like to abolish the great laws of the material and spiritual worlds if they only could. **I am having this put down on paper for all the world to know, and as I once predicted the fall of the Jewish people which also came to pass, you too have now here plenty of warnings and predictions"** (Lord's Sermons, 53).

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"For after Me the gate of heaven will always remain open, and what we are now discussing here will after more than a thousand years be possible to be heard and written down, as if all this were happening before the eyes of those living nearly two thousand years after us on earth. And in whatever area man will in the future have any doubt, he will be able to obtain clear advice from the heavens. For from now on everyone will have to be taught by God, and who is not taught by God will not enter into the kingdom of truth and light." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN III, 15:6)

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[1] But I tell you that it will be always difficult to stay solely with the pure, naked truth. Worldly wisdom, which will greatly increase in some places, will not comprehend that I can be the very same spirit as He Who once on Sinai under lightning and thunder gave Moses the laws and also dictated the five books to him, and Who with His wisdom, might and power maintains and governs the whole of infinity! Some of you are not even able now to comprehend this fully, although you are witnesses to all that is happening here and has also elsewhere happened, namely, that I am fully One with the Father in Heaven. What then, will those great in the worldly wisdom have to say when such testimony from the thousandth mouth will reach their ear?!

[2] Therefore, it will only be given to the simple, but not to the worldly wise, for what is great before the world, is a abomination before God.

[3] The simple, modest man who is still of a comparatively pure heart has obviously also a freer soul and in that soul a freer spirit and therefore, understands quickly and easily what is of the spirit. But the worldly-wise whose soul is full of worldly interests and has no longer any awareness of a divine spirit within will, of course, not grasp and understand what you for the greatest part easily understand and fairly fully grasp. There is a good deal that you do not grasp as yet, but after all I shall have been lifted up you will fully understand it." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN III, chap. 16)

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"And now behold, you My lazy and very inefficient servant, you are still very hard of hearing, for I must dictate to you every word individually, and you still do not understand Me and keep asking Me often twice, thrice, five times, even up to tell times, and every time I faithfully repeat each word to you. Therefore, pay more attention that we may make better progress, for **soon the world will need this work of My great grace to be completed**. Let Me, your holy Father, who is all love within His entire being, tell you this." (The Household of God I, chap. 11)

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"And now, you blind scribe of this **My new and living Word** within you, as also within all of you, look at Adam what he was like in Paradise. He was a perfect man, with one exception, endowed with many abilities, a perfect lord of the earth. All his perfections were but a gift from Me and he kept them until the time when he just once forgot Me, after the angel had become invisible to his eyes.

30. And behold, all that which Adam possessed as a gift will I give all of you as a permanent gift and countless more and endlessly greater treasures, that is, Myself. And all that is Mine shall be yours too if you love Me, and nothing but love Me!

31. But where is your love for which I paid such a high price and which I would like to call Mine forever? Oh, there is not much of it left on earth! It is so easy and so gentle, but you do not want it and do not seek it where it is waiting for you and reject the high prize it holds." (The Household of God 1, chap. 11)

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"[10] Finally, in much later times and shortly before a great judgment , again seers will be awakened who will have the great task of only short duration to purify the considerably contaminated teaching that it may be preserved and not rejected by the then clearer-thinking humanity as an ancient deception by the priesthood. These third laborers in My vineyard will not be working through miracles, but solely by means of the pure Word and the Scripture. They will not be receiving any other extraordinary revelation, except the one of the inner, living Word, in feeling and thoughts of their heart. Their strong belief will be clear and rational, and they will raise the withered human vines of My vineyard without performing miracles and so will also receive the same reward from Me, which you, as full-day workers will receive. For it will be much more difficult for them to believe firmly and undoubtedly what happened here over a thousand years before their time.

[11] Even if great revelations happen only at long intervals, God always sees to it, that as soon as the great revelations begin to become contaminated, newly awakened seers are given to mankind and that in such a way that no one's free will suffers any compulsion. Actually, the great revelations are so far apart, so that men's free will may have the greatest possible scope for action.

[12] **When in the end the world will again have diverted men too far from their spiritual path, there will be no other alternative, but to send a great revelation, which is always followed by a judgment, because it is, in itself, a grievous judgment for mankind.** As long as you do not set fire to the dead wood, it will not burn, but the fire will ignite it. And behold, what the fire is to the wood, a great revelation is to men." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VI, chap. 176)

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"From all this you see that the main shortcoming with you and the main obstacle with your progress is everywhere the weakness in trust.

None of you have as yet understood why I uncover and explain to you all the depths of My creation, all the innermost aspects of My divine self. Behold, My dear ones, the reason for all this is, to instill into you the very thing lacking in all of you, meaning, the trust in Me. For when together with Me you traverse the immeasurable spaces of My infinity, when I open up to you My spiritual heavens, giving you an inkling of what is there being kept and prepared for you; when I reveal to you My own self, which is nothing but love and in return wants only love; when I prove to you down to the smallest atoms that I, the Creator and Father, sustain everything with the same love, I only want to prove to you that a Being possessed of this might and strength, as which I am showing Myself to you, should surely be worthy of trust and that, compared to My omniscience and omnipotence, all your activity and behavior must be considered as below the level of Zero.

Ponder these few words; they are very important, like everything flowing from My mouth. Enter deeply into the meaning of that which all of you were given, and you will not only find consolation and peace but, and this is the main thing, you will more and more realize your own standpoint and then, consolidating what is unstable, be able to draw closer to Me.

Not a word I send you through My servant was, and still is, without its own purpose. Also these three words I was just now bringing before the eyes of My scribe because right now it is beginning to be somewhat unstable in your company. There is no true spiritual life present. Many of you are again living

only for their businesses and pet interest, almost wholly forgetting Me and My teaching and only remembering it when by chance one or the other has made a speech to that effect.

Be watchful and pray, lest you fall into temptation. Do not make fun of My grace! I do not, as some believe, bestow it on those who only concern themselves with Me and My teaching when they have nothing else to do. They should take care, for they may be struck by lightning out of a blue sky and be forced to realize that they had considered as a matter of secondary importance that which really should be their main concern.

Whosoever knows nothing of My teaching and sins against it, is not so culpable. However, if someone has read My teaching and, half believing, shows no true trust in its activation and no confidence in the attainment of the actual purpose, I shall be forced to wake him up through a direct jolt lest he drop off to the sleep of worldly things, thereby forgetting My spiritual school. Today I still admonish; who, apart from Me, knows what I shall do tomorrow? The piece of ground on which you live and peacefully walk about enjoying your life, is hollow under your feet. This thin shell covers terrible chasms and you with firm faith and trust look up to Me with great confidence and hope that I shall not let this thin shell give way, thereby letting all of you taste death unawares. Calmly you lie down above these chasms with the firm trust and confidence of again rising the next day hale and strengthened while perhaps under your feet to you incomprehensible baffles of the elements are taking place. Why do you have such trust in this case and not in spiritual matters? You see, because you believe I shall not do it! And why shall I not do it? Because you put your trust in a loving Father, who will not without reason punish His children with destruction. What, then, is your confidence? It is that, what you hope for, namely, the constant granting of My grace to you, may not waver.

Now, since in this respect you put such firm faith, trust and confidence in Me, do allow also Me to demand of you, if not at this rate of divine forbearance, then with human indulgence, to have also in spiritual matters a firmer faith, greater trust and greater confidence; and to understand that all I have already bestowed on you happened only for your benefit and by no means for My entertainment, but only in order to confer on you the honor of being able to become My children.

You demand of Me unlimited grace, and I demand of you unlimited love. With the exchange of these two conditions it is only you who gain, since I want to accord you a might that shall make you lords of all that was created!

Since I promise you such great graces, I am also allowed to wake up those on the road to Me, should they fall asleep while walking, through gentle nudges as I am now doing to you. Then you will realize that one must not walk My paths with one's eyes closed, but with open eyes and ears so as not to miss the right way and go astray.

So again, let all of you consider what I am giving you here. Be watchful and pray, lest you fall into temptation! Let this be your device towards a steady growth in firm faith, trust and confidence! Amen." (Secrets of life, chap. 12)

The teaching at the return of the Lord

"[...]And see, what happens here now corresponds to that last and darkest time [B2] in which My teaching will degenerate into a 1.000 times greater pagan service of idols than any other pure godly teaching has degenerated until now, and in which they will build altars and temples for deceased people

who will be declared holy and blessed by the priests, even for their decayed bones, and in which they will give godly honor to them.

[9] To you, My disciples, I have openly said and shown at different occasions that My Kingdom is not of this world and that you also should not be worried about what you will eat and drink the next day, but that you should try to spread the Kingdom of God and its justice among the people and should not let yourselves be paid for that by obligation, but only accept what the love of men will give you in My name, for you have received everything from Me for nothing, and for nothing you should also give it to others.

[10] I have also said to you and to the other 70 disciples whom I have send out to Emmaus to proclaim to the people the gospel from the Heavens, that no one should have 2 coats, no bag to put something in it, and also no stick to resist an enemy, because My name, My word and My mercy should be sufficient to everyone.

[11] So I have also faithfully and openly said to you and to many other people that you should condemn no one in order not to be once condemned yourselves, and that you also should not curse nor damn anyone and should never persecute anyone with hostility in order not to endure the same, because with the measure with which you yourselves will mete, you also will be paid back.

[12] Yes, you should pray for those who hate and curse you, and do good to those who try to harm you, then you can expect the reward from Me, and in this manner you will pile up glowing coals on the heads of your enemies and will make them all the sooner your friends.

[13] Look, I have instructed you to teach, to live and to act under the banner of true and active neighborly love and I also told you that they always will recognize you as My true disciples for the fact that you will love one another as brothers, as I am loving you Myself, and that My real followers will always be purely recognized at the works of unselfish neighborly love.

[14] But look, it will not be so during that very dark time, but it will just be completely the opposite of this teaching which I truthfully have revealed to you."

(7. James asks for the spiritual meaning of the awakening of the dead young man - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

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"[1] THEN such a condition will take place among men, also the time will have come to give them what they are lacking. Only during such a time I will come back again among the people in this world, and then I will do generally what I am now doing more specifically for only a few witnesses. I put now the seed into the soil, and by doing that I am not bringing peace among men, but the sword for the battle and for great fights and wars.

[2] Only the person who will accept My teaching and will live accordingly, will find in himself the light, the truth and the true peace of life, although with that he will, for the sake of My name, have to go through many battles and persecutions, which you all will also experience personally. But when I will come in this world for the second time, also the fermenting, the fighting and the persecuting will cease

among the nations, and the original relationship between men and the pure spirits of the Heavens will become common and lasting.

[3] By what I have told and explained to you now, you can easily know and see why it is allowed that in time there will be, next to the small, true chair of Aaron on which I am placing you now, there will be a false and long lasting chair in the midst of the heathens, and how and why even the false prophets and teachers in My name will be allowed.

[4] But you and your true descendants should not heed when they also will hear the call from the mouth of the false ones, according to which Christ would be here or there. For I will never more move into a temple that was built by human hands, but only in spirit and in truth of those who will seek Me and will pray to Me and will only believe in Me and consequently will also love Me above all. Their heart will be the true temple in which I will abide and in which I will also speak to them, teach, educate and guide them. Remember this very well now for yourselves, so that you will not be offended when it will all happen this way, but will remember that I have announced all this to you in advance, and also the reason why." (11. About the return of the Lord - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 20)

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"[9] In the future, until the end of the world, I will send My messengers from the Heavens, so that My word would not be destroyed and would not be too much slandered by the evil children of this world. But they^[21] also will be more or less persecuted for the sake of My name, till the time when I will come back as a flash of lightning that from sunrise to sunset^[22] will very brightly illuminate everything that does good or bad things on this Earth.

[10] In that time I will let a big sifting come over the whole face of the Earth, and only the good and pure ones will be saved."

(97. A prophecy of the Lord about the Last Time, THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23)

[B2] Possibly Middle Age - see following description

^[21] *The messengers.*

^[22] *Sunrise: east – sunset: west*

The false prophets and the role of sciences

"[1] One of the so-called Jewish Greeks said: "Lord and Master, at Your second coming to this Earth will there also be a teaching given to the people? If You will again come with this teaching, then they also will say: 'Oh, go away with that teaching that caused so much misfortune on Earth.'"

[2] I said: "Friend, the teaching that I am giving to you now is God's Word and remains eternally, and therefore the people about which we are talking now will only receive the teaching from Me that you have received from Me, but **at that time it will not be given to them in veiled form, but completely revealed according to its heavenly and spiritual meaning, and from that the New Jerusalem will exist that will come down from the Heavens to this Earth.** Only in its light it will become understandable to the people how much their predecessors were misled and deceived by the false prophets, just as the Jews are now deceived by the Pharisees.

[3] Then they will not blame Me and My teaching anymore for all the great misfortunes, but the extremely selfish and imperious false teachers and prophets. In the light of their sciences and many technologies they will very well perceive whose spiritual children they are.

[4] When the very bright light of the New Jerusalem will shine over the whole Earth, the liars and cheaters will be completely unveiled, and the reward for their work will be given to them. The higher one of them thinks to be standing, the deeper will be his fall. Therefore, beware already now for the false prophets. Did you well understand this now?"

[5] Then also My other disciples said: "Lord and Master, why do You actually not give us Your teaching also unveiled as You once will give in the far future to the mentioned scientists and technologists of all kind? I think that the people need this kind of New Jerusalem also now"

[6] I said: "I still have many things to say and to reveal to you, but all of you can still not bear it, but when the Spirit of truth out of Me will come over you it will guide you into all truth and wisdom, and then you will be completely in the light of the New Jerusalem.

[7] However, if you will then be capable to transmit the light to your disciples, that is another question which you hardly will be able to answer, assuming that you will understand and realize that every teaching must firstly be given in a certain way to children and that it should be more free than coerced, and secondly that it cannot be expected from anyone to read the Scripture when he does not know the letters.

[8] You cannot suspect in the least what kind of great and extensive sciences and technologies men will once achieve, and how much every superstition among the people will be cleared by that. Where in the whole world can you now find a pure science that is based on the principles of the well-calculated truth, and where can you find a calculated technology of such a science?

[9] When there is now among the people any science, and a technology that is derived from it, it consists of more than $\frac{3}{4}$ of blind superstition. On such rotten fruit of the tree of knowledge that is still not blessed, no higher heavenly truth can be placed. And if you would place it upon it, there will appear a fruit that one could surely throw as food for the dragons, but could not be given as food for the people.

[10] See and remember well: out of such fruits, also the false prophets with all their erroneous teachings and false signs of wonder will arise and will spoil more than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Earth. For when they will make effort to unite My teaching of truth with the sciences that exist now among the people, which are mixed with all kinds of superstition and insignificant achievements of technology - thinking that this teaching of truth will become more acceptable to the people - then obviously they will spoil My teaching more and more, and the sciences and technologies that are full of superstition will sink thereby even deeper into the ancient night than since the very beginning of men. Finally for a time they will become exclusively

the property of the false prophets, and so with that help they can more easily and on a larger scale win the people that were kept blind.

[11] But it will not stay like that, for at the right moment **I will awaken men for the pure sciences and technologies, and then they will proclaim it from the rooftops to the people how the servants of Balaam have done their wonders. Thus the pure science in all things, and also the pure technology will become the invincible forerunner and advocate against the old superstition, and when the Augean stables will be cleansed by that, I will be able to come back easily and very efficiently to this Earth.** Because **My pure teaching of life** will unite easily with the pure science of men everywhere and in this manner a complete light of life will be given to men, because one purity can never soil the other, just like one truth that is clear as the sunlight cannot soil the other." (Chap. 58. The new time – THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

The gradual cleansing of sciences and technologies

"[1] Now you think of course within yourselves: 'What will be possible to Me in that time, namely to cleanse science, I could also do now, and through that the pure teaching, united with the pure science and its technical inventions would pass on to the people like hand in hand, and then the false prophets, who want to perform here and there, will certainly not be able to do any business to satisfy their selfishness.'

[2] But to this I say to you: it would be very good if it would happen that way, but still it will not happen as you were saying with good intentions, for in that case I will have to take away the free will of men and transform them into mere machines with the almightiness of My will. And to what benefit would that be for the eternal salvation and life of their souls?

[3] Do you still not know that everything that is under the law of coercion, which exists in the almightiness of My will, is in itself judged and dead? I have explained this to you so often and in detail already so many times, and despite that you still relapse into your old worldly reason.

[4] Look, if I now in this time would immediately awaken thousand times thousand scientists of all kind among the people, who would possess the purest science in all things and would also be developed throughout according to that science, then they would be even more persecuted by the people of today than you who will soon become the spreaders of My teaching and will be persecuted by the dark worldly people because of My name. Because the knowledge of the people, which – as already said – is for more than $\frac{3}{4}$ mixed with the deepest of superstition and with which men are acquiring their material benefits, is much more difficult to cleanse.

[5] On many occasions I have well, visibly and in detail explained to you the different things, appearances and events, as I also have done for other people who had a good will and a receptive heart. I have revealed before your eyes and ears the whole starry sky in such a way that you surely know now what our sun, the moon, the planets and the numberless other stars are and what their characteristics are, and several of them I let you visit by opening your inner spiritual eyes. And so you possess now all the purest knowledge in a lot of things.

[6] But just go and teach it to the blind people in the manner in which I have taught you, then you will all too soon experience how difficult it is to dissuade people from their old knowledge and their mystical prejudices.

[7] Moreover there are numerous people who were made dumb by their selfish priests and rulers in such a way that they would consider such clarification of knowledge as an unforgivable crime against the gods, and they would seriously harm those who seduced them to commit a crime against the gods.

[8] In order to bring about a complete cleansing of the sciences in the course of time and the resulting technologies, first My teaching should be proclaimed to them, and the many idols together with their priests and temples should be destroyed.

[9] Once this has happened and My gospel has been proclaimed to the people – even though through many false prophets – then they also will be able to cleanse progressively their sciences and technologies, and these will then be a lightning which will brightly enlighten everything that is on the Earth, from sunrise to sunset. With ‘sunrise’ the spiritual should be understood, with ‘sunset’ all what is natural.

[10] If you have understood this, then do not ask again if this or that will already be possible now.”

(Chap. 59. The gradual cleansing of sciences and technologies - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

The corpse of the old faith

"[1] I said: "It is really remarkable how little you still understand things. I have already so often explained to you why the earthly time cannot be calculated precisely and with certainty as you think, like I could tell you very exactly in advance and up to a moment when this or that mountain and its rocky tops will be destroyed by a lightning. Because in that case we are dealing with judged matter, which is in everything completely dependent on the power of My will, but with men who have a free, self-deciding will, it does not happen in the same way. The reason of it I have already often shown to you and you finally will understand it once, and therefore you should not come to Me with the same questions each time.

[2] But if you absolutely want to have determined the ‘where’ and ‘when’ more precisely, then remember what I will tell you now: where there is a corpse, there soon the free eagles will gather."

[3] The disciples said: "O Lord and Master, now You have again said something which we cannot understand. What is the corpse and what are the eagles, and when will the corpse be, and where will the free eagles come from?"

[4] I said: "Just look at the rotten and unbelieving institution of Pharisees, then you will see the corpse. I and all who believe in Me, Jews and gentiles, are the eagles who soon will eat up the corpse completely. So also, the night of the sins of the soul are a corpse around which the light of life is spreading itself and destroys the corpse with all its hazes and illusions, just like the morning does with the night.

[5] As this is now happening before our eyes with the Jewry that is now without truth or faith, by which it has become a very big corpse that will be finished in about 50 earthly years, so it will also happen in later times with the teaching and the church that I am establishing now. It will become an even more terrible corpse than the Jewry now, and then also the free eagles of light and life will come over it from all directions, and with the fire of the true love and with the power of the light of truth they will consume it as a corpse that wants to spoil everything. And that can still happen before 2 full 1.000 earthly years after My life as I am now bodily present here amongst you, will have passed by - which I also have already explained to you at other occasions.

[6] Then you were wondering, just like now, why this will actually be permitted by God. However, I also have already often, like also this time, shown you that I cannot and may not guide men with My almighty will to whom I have given a completely free will, a free self-determination as well as all the other created beings, small and big in the whole of infinity, because if I would do that, then man would not be a human being but would be just like an animal or plant or stone that is judged by My almightiness. Hopefully you will realize and understand this now and will not ask Me so easily about things which are obvious for all those who think somehow clearly.

[7] If already now in this time, while I am still walking around in a body on this Earth amongst you, and am teaching, there are already a number of people who travel around in My name and who also spread My teaching for their material benefit but who are also mixing it with their own impure seed from which soon between the meager wheat in the field of life and its truth much bad weed will grow up, will it then be surprising when in later times in My name still more false teachers and prophets will rise up who are not called, and who, with the sword in the hand, will shout with mighty words to the people: 'Look, here is Christ!', or 'There He is!'

[8] When you, and later your true, pure successors will hear and see that, then do not believe such shouters. Because at their works they can be quite as easily be recognized as the trees from their fruits, because a good tree brings forth good fruits. At thorn bushes will not grow any grapes and at thistles no figs.

[9] Of what the Kingdom of God consists, and the only way on which it can manifest itself in man himself, and where it happens, I have just told the Pharisees in your presence. So you surely will realize and understand that you should not believe those who shout: 'Look here!', 'Look there!' For as the spirit is inside man, and all the life, thinking, feeling, knowing and wanting originally comes from it and penetrates all fibers, in the same way is also the Kingdom of God, which is the true kingdom of life of the spirit, only inside man and not in one or the other manner outwardly or outside of man.

[10] Whoever will accept it in him in this manner and will understand it according to the full, living truth, can never in eternity be misled by a false prophet. But whoever in his mind looks like a weathercock or a reed in the water, will of course with much difficulty find the harbor of life that is filled with peace and that is illuminated by the truth. Therefore, be no weathercock or reed, but true rocks of life over which the storms and the waves of water have no hold. Did you well understand this now?"

[11] The disciples said: "Yes, Lord and Master, now we have again well understood You, because You have very clearly and with understandable words explained this matter to us. But when You often speak to us in very concealed images, we can do nothing else except saying: 'Lord, where?' and 'how?' But we also thank You now, as always, for this mercy that You have given us, and we ask You to have always that much patience with us."

[12] I said: "If I would be like men, My patience with you would surely have been many times too little, but because I am as you know Me, full of the greatest patience, tolerance, love and meekness, you will never have to complain about My patience. However, be also that patient, meek and humble as I am with all My heart, and love one another as brothers among each other, just as I also love you and as I always have loved you, then you will by that show to everyone that you truly are My disciples. Let no one of you think that he is more than his fellow disciple, for you are all equal brothers. Only I am your Lord and Master and will also be and remain like that in all eternity and also during all the times of this world. For if the Father would have no patience with His children, then who else would there be to have patience with them?"

(Chap. 39. The end time before the 2nd coming of the Lord - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

The condition of faith before the Second Coming of the Lord

"[2] I said: "Simon Judah, because of your mighty faith I have given you the keys to the Kingdom of God and **have called you a rock upon which I will build My church, which will not be conquered by the gates of Hell**. You would be a new Aaron and sit on his chair. Yes, you will also be, because you will be, together with your other brothers, a spreader of My word.

[3] But when after several hundred years this will be known by the heathens, they will claim in Rome that you have established that chair over there. And the nations, who will be forced to it by fire and sword, will also believe those false prophets that you as a first prince of faith have placed this chair of faith in Rome from where you are ruling in My name the whole Earth and its princes and nations. But look, that will be a false chair, out of which much disaster will be spread over the whole Earth, and almost no one will then know where you have placed the real chair, the chair of love, truth, living faith and of life, and who your real successor is.

[4] Although this chair will stand for a long time, much more than a 1.000 years, but it will not reach the age of 2.000 years. Just count, if you can count." (Chap. 10. The order in the household of God – THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 20)

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(The Lord to Peter) "[25] Verily, I say to you: all your successors who are not prepared by Me, but trained only by people in certain world-schools to follow your office, will not be looked at by Me; since only the anti-Christ will qualify his disciples in this way.

26] Those whom you will lay on your hands and baptize them in My name, will be filled with My spirit; it is them whom I Myself at all times will chose as your successors and will confirm them by the true granting of My spirit.

27] However, during later times there will be only a few, because the anti-Christ will expand his regiment too much; but when he thinks to be the highest in the world, he will be brought down forever! Have you understood this well and clear?" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 6, chap. 150)

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"[1] BUT what concerns My question about the condition of faith with men in the still faraway future, when the Son of Man will come again to the Earth, in the manner that I have often told you, I say that in general He will find even less living faith than now. For during that time men will have made great progress in many sciences and all kinds of technologies, mostly because of their tireless investigating and calculating under the twigs and extensive branches of the tree of knowledge, and they will achieve great things with the powers of the nature of the Earth, which are now still completely hidden for men, and they will say: 'Look, that is God – there is no other one.'

[2] So the faith of those people will have almost completely disappeared. Thus, with those people I will find no more faith at My return.

[3] Another great part of men will be in a still much denser and darker idolatrous superstition than now all the heathens on the whole Earth. For a long time they will have their teachers, representatives and protectors among the great and mighty ones of the Earth of that time, but the children of the world who will be well equipped with all sciences and technologies will suppress the very dark superstition with all force, and will bring the great and mighty ones of the Earth into extreme embarrassment, because through science and all kinds of technologies the people that was kept blind with all force will realize that they were only kept in hard bondage for the sake of the worldly fame and the comfortable life of those great and mighty ones who had no faith themselves. And when I will come, also with them I will find no faith.

[4] In that time of great darkness I will not find faith with them because they were the most foolish and most blind helpers of those who dominated them, who could very well perceive for which purpose the completely blind ones could be used for, and that those who could see would never tolerate that, as did the completely blind ones. But once the blind will also be made seeing by the scientists and technologists, then they will become followers of those who liberated them for the greatest part from the hard bondage of the great and mighty ones. And if I then would come and say: 'Listen, nations of the Earth, I have come now again to you and will show you again the right way to the eternal life of your souls,' then what will those men answer who are without any faith?

[5] They will answer Me: 'Friend, no matter who you are, stop that old, worn-out stupidity that has luckily evaporated, for which many streams of often completely innocent blood has fled since the time that it appeared for the first time. If that so-called good Father in Heaven, who we do not know and for whom we feel completely no desire anymore, is such a great friend of blood, then He certainly will easily be able to change the great ocean into blood and extremely delight in it. However, we absolutely do not need anymore such life's teaching, which instead of the promised Kingdom of God has only brought sheer Hell among the people on this Earth, which is already meager anyway. We adhere now to the sciences and technologies of all kind, and thereby we live in peace and rest, even though that on which we trust is only timely, a timely but peaceful and quiet life is much more dear to us now than a Heaven with all its beautiful bliss that was bought with countless sufferings and many streams of innocent blood that fled and which is moreover still doubtful.

[6] With such words of men at that time, My question, if at My return on Earth I will find any faith, is very justifiable.

[7] 'But' – you think now within yourselves – 'yes, whose fault will that be? Maybe of Hell? Lord, in that case, destroy it. Or maybe of the false, selfish prophets, who will be used as pretext by the different great and mighty ones who will soon come up as mushrooms out of the humid soil, and who will go into all directions over the Earth with war, and will torment men? Lord, in Your name, let those false prophets never arise. But if You want it that way, You also should agree that You will not find any faith among men when You will return again.'

[8] On this I say: although the shortsighted human reason thinks correctly according to its understanding, and in a worldly human sense not much can be objected, but God, the Creator and eternal Maintainer of all things and beings has in His turn very different views and plans with all that which He has created out of Himself, and therefore He knows the very best why He allows some things to happen among men on this Earth.

[9] Finally all superstition will be wiped away from the face of the Earth with the arms of science and technology, by which still the free will of no human being will be hindered in the least.

[10] By that, in the course of time, all faith will become lost among men, but that condition will only last for a very short time.

[11] In that time only I will bless the old tree of knowledge, and by that the tree of life in man will receive again its old power, and from that time on, there will only be one Shepherd and one flock.

[12] He who has understood this now will also understand My question if I, during that time, will find the same faith as now on Earth. Such faith as now I will certainly not find anymore during those future times, but a different one. Of which it consists, you cannot imagine now, but nevertheless, once it will happen as I have told you now beforehand."

(Chap. 57. The condition of faith in the future - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

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"[1] DURING that time, true faith and pure love will extinguish completely. Instead of that, a faith of delusion will be forced upon the people with the most severe criminal laws, just like a malicious fever forces death upon the human body. And if one or the other congregation that is strengthened by My Spirit will come up against the false teachers and prophets who have an abundance of gold, silver, precious stones and other great earthly goods, and who haughtily, imperiously and selfishly as they are, will present themselves to the people as your only true successors and as My substitutes in order to be most honored, and if that congregation will show them that they are exactly the opposite of how they present themselves to the people with the most insolent and God-forsaken impertinence by forcing them to only search the salvation of their souls and the truth with them, then there will be battles and wars and persecutions, as did not take place yet since the beginning of men on this Earth.

[2] But the very worst and most dark condition will not last long, and then it will happen that the false teachers and prophets will finally give themselves the deathblow [B3]. Because then My Spirit, that

means the Spirit of all truth, will awaken among the people who are tormented in many ways, the sun of life will begin to shine tremendously and the night of death will go down in its old grave.

[3] That dark time, which I am describing now, I have predicted to you already several times, and I mentioned it only now again so that you would discover more easily the correspondence between what happened tonight and that future time.

[4] Look, this little city, which is almost surrounded on all sides by gentile villages and little places, is still inhabited by a small number of Jews who have, just like a few orthodox Samaritans, a more pure Judaism and for who the laws of the temple are for the greatest part an abomination. They can see the bad and unclear way of acting of the temple very well, although they cannot resist it. Their neighbors are gentiles who also do not think highly about their idols, but for the sake of appearances they must still do as if these were important to them. But actually they only believe in nothing else except in a good profit that they can seize in one way or another.

[5] Look, that time, which I predicted, will happen, but then on a large scale, worldwide.

[6] A pure congregation will continue to exist in the same manner as this little city, first surrounded by people without any faith, who will only practice all kinds of profitable business and who will not care about My pure teaching and still less about the infamous paganism of Rome at that time. Under these circumstances that pure congregation will then also begin to look like a sad widow.

[7] My pure teaching will look like a widow who was really sad and whose dead son I have awakened to life again, and the faith means the dead son whom I have revived. He was killed by the malicious fever that corresponds again to the worldly mentality that is full of pursuit of profit, which also these people were beginning to do, more exactly because of the abhorring and evil deception of Jerusalem, and besides that, also because of the total absence of faith of the gentiles who are around this village, who during that predicted terrible future time will carry the name 'businessmen'.

[8] Because of all that, the formerly pure and although still young faith – because it only became established about 16 years ago by a Samaritan who came to live here and who was the husband of this widow – is lost by the fever of the worldly mentality, because he died and we met him as being dead.

[9] But then I come Myself, convert the gentiles and come with them to this place during the saddest evening of this congregation. I revive the dead faith again and give it back to the widow, thus to the pure teaching of God. And after this deed of Mine all gentiles will also come to this place, accept the newly awakened faith in one, only true God and will arrange their life according to His will that He has made known to them.

[10] However, the blind girl whom I made seeing again represents the completely unbelieving business world of that time of which I am talking about now, and it will be sparse and scanty, to such an extent that the too proud and splendor-loving kings will demand with all force heavy taxes from the people, even about what they eat and drink, and because of that, there will be great need, high cost of living, lack of faith and love among the people who will cheat and persecute one another.

[11] But – remember this well – when the need will be at its highest point I will come for the sake of the few righteous ones, to eliminate the misery from the Earth, and I will let **My pure light of life** shine in the hearts of the people [B4].

[12] And with what I have said now I have also given you, My dear brother James, the clues that you desired from Me, and you who are a powerful thinker will easily discover the rest.

[13] Although the soul of man will not feel happier when he knows the sad future before its time, it will nevertheless also not harm him when he will train himself in the correspondences, and will perceive by that how everything that is visible and what happens in this world stands in very close relationship with the inner, hidden world of the spirits, that encloses in itself all times and spaces as in a continuous revealed present and how those 2 are related to each other. Have you all well understood this now?"

(8. About the spiritual circumstances of our time - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

[B3] *Development of sciences...*

[B4] *Probably, the New Revelation*

The paganism before the Second Coming

"[10] Unfortunately, in later times it will however happen that confessions of guilt before the false prophets will be more practiced than they have ever been among the Pharisees and arch Jews, and this will lead to the fall and the judgment of the false prophets who work in My name. Because those will tell the people – as the heathens are doing – that God has given the authority only to them to forgive all sinners their sins or to hold them accountable for them. In this way, in return of big offerings, they will declare their blind favorite ones to be blessed and holy for all the Heavens.

[11] When that will happen, the time will soon be near wherein the great judgment over the new paganism will take place. Therefore, be careful with the open confessions, so that they would not too easily imitate you with an even more wicked mentality than it is the case now with the Pharisees and arch Jews.

[12] I also have told you once – and more precisely to My old disciples – that you can forgive those who have sinned against you, and that to those to whom you have forgiven their sins here on Earth must and will also be forgiven in Heaven. However, if you, because of an unmistakable incorrigibility, would have a good reason to hold them accountable for the sins that they have committed against you, then they also will be accountable for them in Heaven.

[13] We already have seen before that you have only the right to hold sinners accountable for the sins that they have committed against you when you have forgiven them already 7 times 77 times before.

[14] If you as My nearest disciples are only receiving the right from Me to hold accountable for or to forgive on the mentioned manner the sins of those who have sinned against you, then it is clear that no priest can ever have the right from God to forgive or to hold them accountable for the sins who have been committed against them.

[15] Of the one for instance who has sinned against Caiphas, Caiphas can also forgive the sins or, dependent on how the case looks like, hold them accountable for it. However, the one who has sinned against Herod, he has nothing to do with Caiphas, nor he with him, but only with Herod. The one however who sins against the temple, should see how he could put matters straight with the temple.

[16] But by this I do not mean of course the temple as it is now, but as it was during former times, for now also I would be a sinner against the temple, just like all of you are, and therefore we also do not have to make a confession of guilt to the temple. Because now, we are the supreme true temple of God, and the one down there has become a den of murderers. For this reason, the harvest of its evil fruits that it has sowed on its fields will begin soon. Then one will not harvest grapes or figs from its thorns and thistles.

[17] However, how the situation is now with the temple – mind you, in the name of Jehovah – **so will once – and even much worse – the situation be in My name with the new paganism.** But the harvest of its fruits will turn out to be much worse than the harvest of that temple down there.

[18] It will certainly not be your fault concerning the new paganism, just as it is also not the fault of the prophets when the temple down there has become now the way it never should have been. But all guilt will be from the side of the people whose comfortable laziness did not allow them to walk independently on the ways of the truth, but instead they preferred to let others – namely **the so-called priests** – walk on the ways of the dirty sacrifices that were given to them, who however are also not walking on the ways of the truth but only on the ways of deceit and lie. There, one completely blind person will lead the other, just as long as the two will come to a pit and then both will fall into it.

[19] Now that you have heard this from My mouth, you should also understand it according to the full truth, and let yourselves never be tempted by the laziness of the highly ranked ones. For he who does not want to work, will also not eat of the meal of life.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 18 chap. 87)

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"[12] The scribe said: “Lord and Master, by Your goodness and mercy, everything which seemed to me the most important has now already been cleared up. But since You Yourself have now made mention of an extremely great judgment over all the heathens, would You still not like to indicate the time more precisely when all this will happen.

[13] It is true that also Daniel and Isaiah have talked about it in obscure images, and You Yourself have explained 2 complete chapters of Isaiah that were referring to it, as well as the certain ruin of Jerusalem, but You have not mentioned anything special about a certain time. Since we have now heard already so many things of You, would You not like to tell us about it, more precisely about the last judgment over the heathens of the whole world, as well as of what kind of judgment it will be and which signs will precede it. For without certain warnings You never will bring a judgment over the people.”

[14] I said: “My dear scribe and friend. You truly have asked a very good question, and I will answer this for all of you, but you must not confuse the paganism of that time of which I was speaking with the paganism now in this time. The temples of idolatry of the present time will indeed have been destroyed a long time ago, but instead of them, numerous other ones will be build by the antichrist, and this even in My name. And their priests will let themselves be exceedingly honored as My replacements on Earth,

and they will make effort to gather all worldly treasures. They will fatten themselves, but the people will be in great need spiritually and physically.

[15] Look, when that paganism will predominate, then the great judgment will soon be poured out over the new harlot of Babylon." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, Book 18, 87)

The judgment over the epicures

"[1] You know that someone who has become rich in earthly goods has most of the time also become in his heart as a stone of insensitiveness and without love. What does he care about the many thousands of other people who are tormented by hunger, thirst and still other disasters, for he is well provided for, has never felt hunger or thirst and has an abundance of treasures to please him with every other pleasure, so that he does not have to taste any boredom or any other displeasure.

[2] But then, where does such a person stand in his inner spiritual sphere of life? I say to you: on the point of eternal judgment and its death, and his whole circle of acquaintances is not far away from it.

[3] Besides that, remember what I will proclaim to you: when there will be a lot of Epicures on the Earth, a general judgment over all the people on this Earth will also soon be allowed by God. Then we will see if somewhere there will again be men who will stand up with the measuring stick in their hand and dare to say to their fellowmen: 'Look, I have measured this big piece of land, I have indicated its boundaries and declare this as my complete inviolable property, and he who has the brutality to dispute this or will only say: 'Friend, everyone of us has the right to snatch this imagined right out of your hands, as long as he has the power and the means to do it', I will punish with death.'

[4] I say to you: at that time such people will never exist, for when next time I will come again on this Earth to keep judgment over such dead epicures, but also to give the reward of life to those who out of love for God and their fellowman have suffered much misery and distress, then the Earth will no more be measured with any measuring stick for the benefit of one person only, but wherever one will stand, he will also reap and provide for his need. And the people will well support one another, and no one will say: 'Look, this is my property and I am lord over it.' Because then men will perceive that I alone am the Lord, and that they all are brothers and sisters.

[5] It is true that this should also be the case among the people now, but in this middle period of development of men who are still not purified by the big fire of life, it will stay allowed, but from now on, it will not be a full 2.000 years anymore. After that, the spirit will predominate strongly with men and on the Earth no more 'mine' and 'his' will be seen, nor will be talked about it.

[6] You, who are now My friends, possess a big piece of land of the Earth that has been measured to you. Ask yourselves who measured it to you as your legal property, and the answer will be: the laws made by men, and your money and other treasures to which again only men have awarded an idle value to it.

[7] From God's point of view, the whole Earth belongs to all men in equal measure, as this was the case in the beginning. Wise men should divide it according to the need of the people and should teach them

to cultivate it, and then the fruits should be partly distributed by the wise men and the surplus should be kept in warehouses and storehouses that are arranged for that, so that no one in the community should suffer need.

[8] But if the rich and mighty will draw everything unto themselves, a lot of people must by that become very poor and live their lives in great misery and distress, because everything belongs to the few rich and mighty but nothing to the poor, except what the rich and mighty want to give them in a scanty measure for the heavy work that they have done for them.

[9] However, these things cannot change for the moment. Therefore, you, rich and mighty, you should be true friends regarding your poor brothers and sisters, and show them love. Feed the hungry, quench the thirsty, clothe the naked, comfort the sad ones and free the prisoners who by your greediness are unnecessary pining away in the dungeons of their bodies by your power and your laws, but even more so in the dungeons of the night of their soul. Go and free them, then I will free you from the power of death and judgment.

[10] Be in the future only My manager with your earthly goods, then in return I will give you eternal life, for I have the power for it and can give it to whom I want. With the same measure with which you will mete, you also will be meted by Me. (Chap. 30. About future events - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 20)

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[1] (The Lord:) "Therefore, let everyone be full of meekness and humility, and thereby you will show each other the greatest and truest human honor and live together in peace and harmony.

[2] Ambition and pride, however, bring forth discontent, vexation, contempt, resentment, anger and, finally, vengeance, war and its evil consequences. The arrogant and ambitious person is also full of selfishness and greed; and because he wants to gain everything for himself alone, in order to enhance his worldly importance, this sadly results in thousands around him possessing nothing and having to live in the greatest poverty and need. This was the case at the time of Noah and will be even more so in the latter days of the new heathendom.

[3] This evil and totally hellish state among men is the judgment they will be preparing for themselves. The vast number of the poor and oppressed will finally rise against their arrogant oppressors and get rid of them. That will be a second Deluge through the fire of wrath of the in the end too mightily oppressed poor.

[4] Also a natural fire will at that time devastate many places, for out of extreme worldly greed men - like noxious worms - will be penetrating into the depths of the earth, there to seek - and also find - all kinds of treasures. However, when they will have reached the mighty deposits of the earth's buried forests, which they will be using for firing, the melting of metals and many other things, the final judgment they have prepared for themselves will be at their door."

[5] Those who will be living in the large cities of the earth's kings and mighty will have to suffer most.

[6] So do remain at all times meek and humble and thereby in the true love for your fellowman, then there will not be any judgment among you, for where in those days people will be living within My order, no final judgment will come to pass." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 8, chap. 51)

The coming judgments

"[1] THUS, let everyone be full of meekness and humility. By that you will give each other the greatest and most true human honor, and live and have dealings with each other in peace and quietness.

[2] However, thirst for honor and pride will awaken resentment, offence, contempt, grudge, anger and finally vengeance, war and its evil consequences. The one who is proud and is thirsty for honor is also always full of self-interest and greed, and the sad consequence for the fact that he only wants to acquire everything for himself to increase his worldly honor, is that hundreds and thousands of people around him have nothing and must live in the greatest poverty and need, as it was the case during the time of Noah, and will be the case even more during the last time of the new paganism.

[3] But this evil and complete hellish condition among the people will be the judgment that they will cause themselves. The enormous number of poor and oppressed people will finally rise against their extremely proud oppressors and will make a short work with them, and this will be a second deluge by the fire of the finally too badly and too heavily oppressed poor people.

[4] But during that time, also a natural fire will destroy many places, for because of a too highly inflated pursuit of earthly gain during that time, the people will penetrate like malicious worms into the depths of the Earth, will search therein all kinds of treasures and will also find them. However, once they will have reached the mighty layers of buried ancient forests of the Earth and will use them for the glowing and melting of metals and still for many other things, then also, the latest judgment which they will prepare for themselves, will be at the door.

[5] Yet, the people who will then live in the great cities of the kings and the mighty of the Earth of that time will have to suffer the most.

[6] Therefore, always stay meek and humble, and by that in true neighborly love, then no judgment will be called over you, because where during that time the people will live according to My order, there will be no last judgment. I have told you this now beforehand with the purpose that you will also tell and proclaim it to the people, so that finally no one can bring forward the excuse that he had not been warned for the danger." (Chap. 99. The coming judgments –Book 17)

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"[1] HOWEVER, a certain measure was determined by Me in this world for everyone – what concerns that which is good and true as well as what concerns that which is evil and false.

[2] If a good person has completely reached that measure by his zeal, then all further temptations will also cease, and then he will pass into the full light from the Heavens from one level of life's completion to a still higher level, and so forth unto infinity.

[3] But when an evil person has made his evil measure full, then all further admonitions will also cease, and then he sinks from that moment on ever deeper away into an ever darker night and harder judgment of his already dead life and existence, and by Me he will not be considered differently than a stone to which no life but only the judgment and the eternal compulsion of My will is visible, which the elders have called 'the wrath of God'.

[4] However, how much time a very hard stone will need before it will somehow become softer and become a kind of soil that will still remain unfertile for a long time, that is a question that even the most perfected angel who lives in the highest heavenly light cannot answer, for only the Father knows that, who is in Me as I also am in Him.

[5] But when too many people will have reached the full measure of their evil, then the time of their unpunished evil actions will be shortened by Me for the sake of the still few good ones and chosen ones, and then their own judgment and their death will devour them before the eyes of the few righteous ones, just like it was the case at the time of Noah, and of Abraham and Lot, and also partially at the time of Joshua, and as it still will be repeatedly the case from now on.

[6] The beginning of that will soon be experienced by the Jews, as well as later by other kingdoms with their rulers and nations. **And in not completely 2.000 years there will again be a very big and general judgment**, leading to salvation of the good ones and to ruin of the worldly great ones and the complete loveless people.

[7] How that judgment will look like and what it will imply, that I have revealed already several times to all My disciples who are present here with Me, and after Me they will proclaim it to the nations of the Earth. Happy the one who will take it at heart and who will arrange his life accordingly, so that he will not be taken by the judgment. (97. About the measure of good and evil – THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 20)

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"But I tell you now as well that before My return to this earth a lot of weed and dry grass and all kind of useless and infertile brushwood will be destroyed; because **where there are two almost one will be accepted and the other one eliminated** – basically a grand screening of more than half."
(Gifts of Heaven 3, 99:3)

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"Do even the wise laws of Rome not say: 'Volenti non fit iniuria'? [He who consents does not suffer injustice.] Or should I perhaps, out of some kind of love for My adversaries, dispose of My eternal light of life and truth and put on the garment of lie and deceit? Hopefully no one of you would want that! But even for such souls who had condemned themselves, I have told you two comforting things: one time in

the parable of the lost son, and later, on a similarly controversial matter like now, when I told you that in the house of My Father are a lot of habitations – but in order to express Myself here more clearly: **a lot of schools for education and correction**, where even the most rejected human devils from this world can be converted and improved.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol.10, chap. 10)

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“The period of purification will last **four weeks** at the shortest because there will be hours where more will happen than before in a century. – The longer period is fixed for **four months** because there will be days with a significance greater than before in a century. – Another appointment is set for **four quarters** (3 months) because in a week there will happen more than in antiquity in a full century. – And still a largest period is fixed of **four years** and a little more, because months will now come in which more will happen than in antiquity in seven centuries.” (Gifts of Heaven 3, chap. 10)

The first 2 kinds of fire of purification

"[1] THEN the innkeeper, the father of Kado, stood up and said: “O Lord and Master, then how will it look like in the time of which You have said that the people will then be purified by fire before Your return, and what kind of fire will it then be?”

[2] I said: “Yes, friend, that fire will be: great and general need, distress, misery and sadness, of a greater magnitude than the Earth has ever seen. Faith will extinguish and love will cool of, and all poor races will lament and languish, but still, the great and mighty and the kings of this world will not help the supplicants because of their great pride and by that also because of a too great hardness of their heart.

[3] So also, one people will rise up against another and will attack them with weapons of fire. Because of that, the rulers will come into great debts that cannot be paid off and will afflict their citizens with unaffordable high taxes. Because of that, there will be an excessive high cost of living, famine, many malicious diseases and epidemics and pestilence among the people, the animals, and even the plants.

[4] There will also be heavy storms on the mainland and on sea, and earthquakes, and the sea will flood its shores in many places, and then the people will come into great fear and anguish because of the expectation of the things which will then come over the Earth.

[5] All this will be allowed in order to turn the people away from their pride and their selfishness and their great laziness. The great and those who think of themselves to be mighty will be chastised with boredom and will by that be forced to come into action to free themselves from this torment.

[6] And look, this is **the first kind of fire** by which the people will be purified for My return.

[7] And in that same time, also **the natural fire** will play an extremely important role. The fire will drive on the ships over all the seas with the speed greater than that of the wind. Also, men will make with their sharp intellect iron cars and roads, and instead of pack animals they will harness fire to the cars[1],

and with its great power they will drive off far over the Earth, faster than an arrow that has been shot off.

[8] In this manner they also will be able to control the lightning¹ and make it the fastest transmitter of their wishes and will from one extreme of the Earth to the other. And if they – the proud and greedy kings – will war against each other, the fire will render a great and decisive service, for by its great power, iron masses in the form of a sphere[2] with a heavy weight will be flung with the speed of lightning to the enemy, the cities and strongholds and cause great destructions.

[9] With these weapons the inventive people will come to the point when soon no nation will be able to start a war against the other, for when two nations should attack each other with such weapons then they easily and quickly will exterminate each other up to the last person, which would certainly not give a true victory and gain for neither one of them. Those kings and their generals will soon realize that, and that is why they will rather tolerate each other in peace and good friendship. And if somewhere a very proud and ambitious disturber of the peace should rise and would attack his neighbor, then the peaceful ones will unite themselves and chastise him. And in this way the ancient peace will be set for the people on Earth and will be established durably.

[10] If one will count, from this My actual presence, almost 1800 (?) and almost 90 years, there will hardly be any more war on Earth[3], and more or less in that time, also My personal coming on this Earth will take place, and the greatest enlightenment of men will begin.

[11] Although there still will be wars among the more primitive peoples of the Earth, but these will also soon become impossible among them. I will drive them together with the help of My righteous and mighty kings and generals and let them pour out My light among them, and then they also will be changed into peaceful nations dedicated to the light.

[12] Look, this is the 2nd kind of fire by which the people will be purified.”

(33. The first 2 kinds of fire of purification - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 20)

[1] <http://www.ausbcomp.com/~bbott/cars/carhist.htm>

automobile history

¹ *Electricity.*

History of communication:

<http://www.connected-earth.com/Galleries/Telecommunicationsage/Thetelephone/Firststeps/index.htm>

Television: <http://www.tvhistory.tv/History%20of%20TV.htm>

[2] <http://intergate.cccoe.k12.ca.us/abomb/physics.htm>

"Considered a gun-type bomb. A disc of uranium 235 is shaped with a center section missing. The center bullet, is place down the barrel from the larger ring mass. A conventional explosive is used to propel the center section into the larger ring section. The two sections then come together forming a critical mass and starting the reaction (little boy)"

<http://www.nrc.gov/materials/fuel-cycle-fac/ur-milling.html>

"A uranium mill is a chemical plant designed to extract uranium from mined ore. At conventional mills, the ore arrives via truck and is crushed and leached. In most cases, sulfuric acid is used as the leaching agent, but alkaline leaching can also be done. The leaching agent not only extracts uranium from the ore but also several other constituents: vanadium, selenium, iron, lead, and arsenic"

Iron – could denotate the minerals associated with iron, as known at that time

[3] as everything in specific prophecies – is not mandatory

The Lord explains the history of Daniel – The fourth animal and actual technology (including the Internet)

"[1] Said one of the twenty who was a scribe of the temple: "Lord, since all things are known to You and also are possible for You, You could explain a little to us the Prophet Daniel, especially his seventh chapter! Indeed, this strange seer provides a peculiar explanation about his vision of the four animals, but the explanation is just as vague as the picture he saw which filled the seer with horror. – Could we not receive a closer explanation about this vision from You?"

[2] I said: "O, certainly; but also for that, this is not the place for it, since these people only know very little or even nothing about our writings. In addition also you have penetrated your, say, transcendental spirit far too little and still have become too little one with it to understand the vision of Daniel and grasp it in its foundation. For even if you narrowly would understand the first two animals, you would not be able to understand the last two, since their being and effectuating is saved for future times. How could one explain to your still natural mind something, which has not even occurred yet on this earth and will only take place after many centuries from now on?"

[3] The only thing I can tell you, is that the four strange animals do not represent four side by side existing kingdoms, of which from the last still ten new kingdoms will arise according to the number of the ten horns, on which still an eleventh horn grew in the center of the head of the animal, causing the tearing out of three of the previous horns from the animal, but rather indicate from the beginning of mankind on this earth four great subsequent people-periods, which studies of the past requires a lot of chronological historical knowledge and for understanding its future a fully opened spiritual eye is needed, which can see beyond time and space in the light of light and life of life.

[4] See, as such the last animal will have teeth from iron and devour everything around it and the eleventh horn has eyes like human eyes and a mouth and speaks great things!

[5] Yes, I say to you that it inevitably will happen like this; but even if I tried to explain it to you a little, you would understand as little about My explanation as Daniel fundamentally really could understand the explanation given to him by the spirit.

[6] Daniel's devout soul was quite well suited to see such visions like in an animated dream, but he could not understand them, since his transcendental spirit out of God could not and has not yet become one with his soul, because I was not there yet in the flesh to make such complete unification possible. This full unification will only then become fully possible, if I have ascended to My old and afterwards also My new home country.

[7] From this you quite clearly can see that My explanation about the whole seventh chapter would be of absolutely no use to you."

[8] Said now Peter: "But Lord, if at another opportunity we will be completely alone again, You could give us a few hints about it! For I now say myself: The prophets, namely the four big ones, have written down a lot, just like Moses, Elias, David and Salomon, but for whom? Except for us, no even so wise scribe has understood them properly, and also we understand very little about them, and those who will come after us will surely not be much better off. And still these books are written for mankind and for no other creature. What use are they to the people if they will never understand them?"

[9] I said: "O, there you are greatly mistaken! If those books of inner spiritual wisdom would have been written so that every natural world mind would understand them at a first glance, people soon would put them aside and not even looking at them anymore. What use would it then have for them?!

[10] But as such the books contain encompassing spiritual from the simplest creature to the deepest heavenly-divine and therefore cannot ever be fully understood by no natural world mind, but only by the pure, perfect transcendental spirit of man.

[11] The very non-understanding of such scriptures awakens the spirit in man and shows him what and how much he still lacks for his life's completion. He therefore will quite often take such scriptures into his hands and think about them, whereby from time to time the one or the other will become more clear to him.

If he thus by his troubles and zeal found a small light of the spirit, he will become more and more strenuous in his studies of the inner, spiritual truths and in this way will gain more and more light and also attain a closer connection with his inner, transcendental spirit and will then also be able to provide his fellow-man with a more brighter light which will be very beneficial to them.

[12] However this would never occur, if these scriptures would have been given in a purely natural way; and if it would have been given in this way, no spiritual and heavenly-spiritual could have been imbedded in the words as I have shown you already quite often.

[13] What would you say if I tell you that shortly **after 2,000 years, calculated from now on, firstly this My teaching will be in a much worse state than now the worst paganism and will be even worse than the most stupid what the Pharisees in Jerusalem are now prescribing, which from now on will not last longer than 50 years?! What will you say if I reveal to you that the people of that time will invent and produce large artificial eyes whereby they can look into the great depths of the starry sky and will set up completely different calculations as the Egyptians have done?! Yes, the people will make roads of iron and will drive with fire and steam in cars made of iron, as quickly as a shot arrow flies through the**

sky! They will fight each other with firearms made from iron and will carry their letters by lightening into all the world, and their ships will move through the power of fire on the large oceans of the world without sail and oars, so quick and easily as an eagle glides through the air, and still thousand and again thousands of things of which you cannot have any idea.

[14] And see, all this is contained in the fourth animal and cannot be understood by you, because you also cannot understand what I just now have explained to you! But in the spirit you will be able to understand all this shortly and you will not be able to give to anybody another explanation as I have given it to you at this very opportunity. Nevertheless will I give you later at a more suitable opportunity a closer explanation about this. But for today we have sufficiently done right and good and thus want to take our bodily rest!" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 14, chap. 72)

The 3rd and 4th fire of purification

"[1] **3rd kind of fire** will consist in the fact that I will awake already a few 100 years earlier ever clearer enlightened seers, prophets and helpers who will in My name, just as clear and truthful, teach the peoples everywhere about everything and will thus free them from all kinds of lies and deceit, which through false prophets and priests, even in My name, will clear the way for their downfall, and with that they will start, in a not too distant future, their evil beginning, and here and there they already have started it in My present time.

[2] They will, just like the other pagan priests, perform false signs and wonders and will deceive many people by which they will provide themselves with great earthly treasures, riches, might and great prestige, but by the 3rd fire and its most bright light they will lose everything and go completely to ruin. And the kings and princes who want to help them will by that lose all their might, their wealth and their thrones, for I will awaken My kings and generals against them and will give them the victory, and so the ancient night of Hell and its messengers among the people on Earth will come to an end.

[3] As this night now consists in the pagan, blind and useless ceremony, which they call divine service, it will also exist in those times, but by the 3rd kind of fire from the Heavens it will be entirely devastated and annihilated because the lie will not be able to stand victorious in the battle with the light of the truth from the Heavens, as less as the natural night can stand before the risen sun. It must flee in its most dark holes and depths, and those who stand in the light will search no more for the night.

[4] I have shown you now the 3rd kind of fire that has an extremely destroying effect on the darkness of men, and so I also will show you a **4th kind of fire** by which the Earth, the people and all creatures will have to be purified by My 2nd coming. This kind of fire will consist of all kinds of great natural upheavals of the Earth, more precisely on those places of the Earth where men have built too big and beautiful cities in which the greatest pride, lack of love, bad morals, false administration of justice, power, prestige, laziness and with that also the greatest poverty and all kinds of need and misery will prevail, caused by a too strongly grown-out Epicurism of the great and mighty.

[5] In such cities, through excessive pursuit of profit, all kinds of factories will be build on a large scale, and instead of human hands the work will be done by fire and water, together with thousands kind of

artful machines that are made of metal. The heating will be done by means of the ancient coals of the Earth that men will acquire in extremely great quantities from the depths of the Earth[4].

[6] Once such activity will have attained its highest point[B1]by the force of the fire, the air of the Earth will become too strongly saturated on such places of the Earth with combustible kinds of ether, and these will soon ignite here and there and transform such cities and regions together with their many inhabitants into ruins and ashes, and that will then also be a great and effective purification. But whatever the produced fire will not have accomplished, that all kinds of great storms on Earth will accomplish, obviously only there where this will be necessary, for without necessity nothing will be burned or destroyed.

[7] By that, also the air on the Earth will be freed from its bad vapors and nature spirits, which will have a blissful influence on all other creatures on Earth and which will also benefit the physical health of the people, because the many malicious bodily diseases will cease to exist and the people will be able to reach a healthy, strong and old age.

[8] Because the thus purified people will be standing in My light and will lively and truly keep forever the commandments of love from within, the earthly landed property will also be divided among the people in such a way that everyone will have so much that, with the right kind of zeal, he never will have to suffer need. The heads of the communities and also the kings, being entirely submitted to My will and standing in My light, will take care that there will never exist any need among the people. And I Myself will once here then again there visit the people and strengthen and establish them in those places where the people will have the strongest desire for Me and possess the greatest love for Me."

(34. The 3rd and 4th fire of purification - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN - Book 20)

[B1] *Maybe, nuclear plants...*

[4] *Coals could be generic term for coal, natural gas, petroleum*

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„14] From now on for nearly 2000 years countless many seers and prophets will be awaken, while at the same time even a bigger number of false prophets and even highly haughty, power-hungry and all love bare false Christs will rise. But also the judgment s will continue and there will seldom be a ruler who because of his darkness will not together with his people, have to endure a severe judgment .

15] Towards the end of the indicated period, I will awaken even bigger prophets and with them also the judgment s will increase and become more widespread. There will occur great earthquakes and very destructible storms of elements, large price increases, wars, famine, pestilence and many other disasters, and as I have already remarked earlier, faith will - accept for a very few - not be among the people, and will be frozen in the ice of the people's haughtiness, and one nation will attack the other.

16] The people will be warned through seers and special signs in the sky, of which only a few of Mine will take note of, while the world-people will only regard this as effects of nature and spit on those who still believe in Me.

17] Thereupon the greatest revelation through My repeated return to this earth will take place; but this revelation will already be preempted by the greatest and sharpest judgment and be followed by a general thinning of the world-people through fire and its projectiles, so that I Myself can establish a completely different plant-school for true people on this earth, which then will last until the end of times of this earth." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 6 chap. 150)

The elimination of the deceivers and suppressors and the enlightening of the poor

"[...]Then those who deny God and the proud deceivers and suppressors will be wiped off the surface of the Earth, and those who believe and the poor will be raised up and be enlightened from the Heavens, as this is the case now, and as it will be the case again later in about 2.000 years. The time, in which this can, and also certainly will take place, is as easy to recognize as can be seen in the late winter when spring draws near and you look at the trees and see how their buds are swelling more and more and become more juicy and how the juice, just like the tears of men, will drop down from their branches and twigs on the soil, and in a certain way are begging for deliverance from the need of the winter in which so many trees were pining away.

[7] So once the heart of the poor people will become brighter by the light of the truth from God, and will swell, and when moreover by the merciless and limitless suppression the soil will become humid because of their tears, then the great spiritual spring has come very close .

(Chap. 91. About the necessity and purpose of temptations - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN - Book 20)

The Great Judgment

"Henceforth, **almost 2000 years** will pass before the great judgment will take place", Jesus tells his disciples and close friends." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VI, 174, 7)

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"The natural phenomena and events, accidents and diseases preceding this time are the last efforts to save whatever can be saved, that not all may suffocate in the mire of egoism" (Lord's Sermons, 53)

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"It is obvious that believers will have to endure scorn, vengeance and persecution, that false, but also true prophets will be seeking to indoctrinate the people and that in the end there will be a complete confusion of concepts for the majority. Many will not heed My warnings, just as it was prior to the Flood, and only few will be converted. However, **when the events precipitate, the majority will still be saved spiritually, and they will thank Me for having saved them from perdition by such harsh means.** Whose fault will it be when all these unfortunate events do befall mankind? Am I a God of revenge, or is it not rather the fault of those who strive to bend everything to suit them and even would like to abolish the great laws of the material and spiritual worlds if they only could. **I am having this put down on paper for all the world to know, and as I once predicted the fall of the Jewish people which also came to pass, you too have now here plenty of warnings and predictions"** (Lord's Sermons, 53)

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"(The Lord) 01] But in the end there will come a time when the people will achieve a great knowledge and skill in all things and will build all sorts of machines which will perform all human tasks just like living, thinking people and animals; but through this many people will become unemployed, and the stomachs of the poor, jobless people will go hungry. Then the misery of man will increase to an unbelievably high level. Immediately then people will be awakened by Me once again, and they will announce the truth of My name for more than two hundred years. Things will be well for those who then turn towards it, although their number will be only a small one!

02] However, once the number of the pure and good will have dwindled as in the time of Noah, the earth will again be visited with a **universal judgment** in which neither people nor animals or plants will be spared. No longer will their lethal, the fire spitting weapons be of any use to the proud people, nor their fortifications and metal roads on which they will move along with the speed of an arrow. **For there will come an enemy from the air and destroy all those who have always done evil.** This will truly be a **time of shopkeepers and moneychangers.**

03] What I did only recently in the temple at Jerusalem to the money-changers and pigeon-sellers, I shall do on a large scale all over the earth and destroy all the selling and money-changing stalls through **the enemy whom I shall send to the earth from the vast expanses of the air like a flash of lightning and with a great thunderous noise.** Truly, against that one all the armies of the earth will fight in vain. However, the great, invincible enemy will not harm My few friends but will spare them for a new plant nursery which will produce new and better people.

04] Do understand this well! But do by no means think that I want it thus and that therefore all this is predestined. Nothing could be further from Me and from you! Yet it will be as it was before the time of Noah. The people will keep putting their worldly knowledge and acquired skills to increasingly evil use and, of their own free will, bring upon themselves and, finally, upon the whole earth, all kinds of judgment out of the depths of My creation. But then I will say along with you, My noble Romans: **VOLENTI NON FIT INIURIA!"** (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN vol 5, 108:1-4)

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"Not until true, pure love and the corresponding humility will rule and guide the nations, will it no longer be generally dark on the earth. There will certainly at all times be individuals who walk in the light, but always only few. As long as there are worldly-great and excessively proud and ambitious rulers in the world, the seed of pride and of the lust for power will continue to grow rapidly in all ranks of humankind and night, darkness, selfishness, envy, avarice, persecution and betrayal, as the true elements of hell, will not cease until the time of the Great Judgment, when I shall cleanse the earth anew through fire. After that time no king will rule any more, but only the light of God.' And upon the question of the innkeeper when this time will come, the Lord says:

[10] "You can accept as full truth that almost every two thousand years there is a great change on this earth. So it will also be, counting from now." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VI chap. 76)

A description of the 2nd coming of the Lord

"[1] AFTER this conversation among themselves the disciples turned to Me and said: "Lord and Master, You have said already several times that it will be given to us to well understand the secrets of the Kingdom of God, and You also have very clearly revealed to us already so many things, so that in the spirit we can well understand Your infinite creation and still 1.000 other things which no worldly wise person could ever imagine and which, even through personal investigation and seeking he will never be able to clearly imagine, for which reason all human knowledge was until now only piece-work. Please tell us now also something more specific about Your 2nd coming. In which time will You return, and where and how? Because we are of the opinion that also this is part of understanding the secrets of God's Kingdom."

[2] I said: "Also this I have told you already several times very extensively. But because you also are not completely permeated with My Spirit you still do not understand it fully. The year, the day and the hour I cannot tell you with certainty because **everything on this Earth depends on the complete free will of men**. Therefore, not even an angel in Heaven knows it, but only the Father and also the one to whom He wants to reveal it. Besides, it is for the salvation of the soul not absolutely necessary to know it very precisely beforehand.

[3] Would it be good for someone to know very precisely beforehand the day and the hour of his death? For very few who are reborn in the spirit, yes, but for numberless people it would be very bad, because the approaching hour of their death would fill them so much with fear, anguish and despair and become great enemies of life, in such a way that they would prematurely take away their life in order to escape the anguish of death, or they would come into such great laziness of life that little salvation could be expected for the soul. So it is better for man not to know all things for sure beforehand, namely as to what, how and when this and that can and also must come over him in this world.

[4] I say to you: the time will come that your spiritual descendants will ask, just like now here, when the day of the Son of Man will come, and will desire to see the day, and they will still not see it as you desire.

In that time many will rise and come forward, and with a wise face they will say: 'Look here', 'Look there' and 'That is the day'. But then do not go there to follow such prophets.

[5] The day of My 2nd coming will be as a lightning that goes from the east to the west, high in the clouded sky, and will illuminate everything that is under the sky. Before that will happen - as I have told you already several times - the Son of Man must still suffer many things and be rejected entirely by this generation, namely by the Jews and the Pharisees, and in later times by those who will be called the new Jews and Pharisees.

[6] As it happened during the time of Noah so it will happen in the time of the 2nd coming of the Son of Man. They ate and drank very cheerfully, they married and let themselves be given to marriage until the day that Noah climbed into the ark and the flood came and they all drowned. And it will happen in the same manner as during the time of Lot: they ate and drank, they bought and sold, and they planted and constructed. But on the day - as I have explained to you more in detail on the Mount of Olives - that Lot went out of Sodom it was already raining fire and sulfur from the sky, and they all perished by it.

[7] Now look, this is how it also will be and happen during the time when the Son of Man will be revealed again. Whoever will be on that day on the roof and knows that his household goods are in the house, let him not come down from the roof to get his household goods - which has to be understood as follows: **he who really understands those things should stay with that understanding and not leave that level out of fear that by that he might lose worldly advantages, because those things will be destroyed.**

[8] So also still another image: whoever is in the field (the freedom of understanding) should not turn around to what is behind him (old deceiving teachings and their rules), but should remember the wife of Lot, and should continue to strive forwards in the truth.

[9] I will still tell you more: during that same time there will be 2 in a mill and do the same work. The one will be accepted and the other left behind, which means: the honest worker will be accepted and the dishonest and selfish one will be left behind, because he who will try to keep his soul^[5] because of the world, will lose it, but he who will lose it for the sake of the world will keep his life and will help him towards true eternal life.

[10] And still further, I say to you: in one and the same night of the soul, 2 people will lie in one and the same bed. Also then, the one will be accepted and the other left behind, which means: **2 people will outwardly be in the sphere of one and the same confession of faith, but the one will be in the active living faith and will therefore be accepted in the living and lightful Kingdom of God, but the other will only adhere to the outer cult, which has no inner value for the life of the soul and the spirit, and will not be accepted in the living and lightful Kingdom of God, because his faith without the works of neighborly love is as it were dead.**

[11] And further: there will be 2 people in the field of work. **The one who will work without self-interest in the living faith out of love for God and out of love for his fellowman, will also be accepted in the true Kingdom of God.** But the one who will work in the same field as the Pharisees without inner living faith out of pure self-interest, will obviously be left behind and will not be accepted in the living and lightful Kingdom of God.

[12] See, that is how it will be and happen during the 2nd coming the Son of Man, and this is how it will manifest itself. When in the future you will be permeated deeper with My Spirit, you will also clearly

understand all that I have said now. At this moment however, I cannot explain it to you more clearly and more understandably."

[13] The disciples said: "Lord and Master, that is all right and we believe Your words, but where and when will it happen, counted according to earthly time? Surely, this You also can tell us."

(Chap. 38. The 2nd coming of the Lord - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

^[5] *his life.*

The Lord and His teaching at the Second Coming

"[2] At My second coming I will not be born somewhere as a child from a woman because this body will remain glorified in eternity - just as I in Spirit - and thus I do not ever need a 2nd body as you had in mind.

[3] First I will come invisibly in the clouds of the Heavens, which means: first I will come close to men by truthful seers, wise men and newly awakened prophets, and in that time also woman will prophecy and young men will have clear dreams by which they will announce My coming to the people, and many will listen to it and improve their life, but the world will call them daydreamers and will not believe them, as this was also the case with the prophets.

[4] So I also will awaken men from time to time to whom I will say by means of their heart to the pen, everything that now during My presence, is, happens and is being discussed. What will then be written once will in a short time of a few weeks and days be multiplied in many thousands of copies in a very artful manner which will be very well known by the people of that time, and so they can be conveyed to the people. And since the people of that time will almost generally know how to read and write, they also will be able to read and understand those new books themselves.

[5] In this way, the spreading of My teaching will then again be given anew and pure from the Heavens to all men on the whole Earth, much faster and effective than now by messengers in My name from mouth to mouth.

[6] Once My teaching will be brought in this manner among the people who are of good will and have a living faith, and when at least ⅓ of the people will know about it, I will also personally, visibly and bodily, come to different places, to those who love Me most and have the greatest desire for My return, and who for that reason will also have full and living faith.

[7] And I Myself will form congregations out of them, against which no worldly power will be able to oppose or resist, for I will be their Commander-in-Chief and their eternal invincible Hero, and will administer justice to all dead and blind worldly people. And in this way I will cleanse the Earth of its old filth.

[8] However, during the time of those new seers and prophets there will be great misery and need among the people, as has never been before on this Earth, but for the sake of My chosen ones of that time it will only last for a short time, so that their development towards bliss will not be hindered.

[9] But in this land where I am now persecuted by the Jews of the temple as a criminal from one village to the other, and which is trampled down by dark heathens, I will personally not first act, teach and comfort the weak again. But in the lands of another continent that is now inhabited by heathens I will establish a new Kingdom, a Kingdom of peace, of unity, of love and of continuous living faith. Fear for the death of the body will no more exist among the people who walk in My light and who will always be in contact with the angels of Heaven and associate with them. Here you have now a real answer to your question."

[10] The scribe said: "Thus, Asia, the old cradle of mankind and of many blessings from God, will not be fortunate anymore to see and hear You when You will return to this Earth? This is truly not a happy news for this continent."

[11] I said: "The Earth belongs to Me everywhere, and I know in which place My return will be most beneficial for the whole Earth. At that time however, men will be able to contact each other from one end of the Earth to the other, and this as fast as the lightning that strikes from a cloud. And through the use of the spirits that are bound in the fire and the water they will, riding on iron roads, cover the greatest distances on Earth, faster than the heaviest storms that drive from one end of the Earth to the other. And the ships will, by means of these same powers, cross the big ocean in a much shorter time than now the Romans from Rome to Egypt. So then it will be possible to spread the message of My personal return in a very short time over the whole Earth, and thus also to Asia.

[12] But then there is again the question: will the blind and deaf heathens of this continent also believe it?

[13] I think and say: this will hardly be possible before it will be purified by a great worldly judgment.

[14] There is a big country, far in the west that is surrounded on all sides by the great world oceans and which is, across the sea, nowhere in connection with the old world. From that country, first the people will come to know great things, and they will also come up in the west of Europe, and from that, there will be a bright shining and a shining in return. The lights of the Heavens will meet each other, recognize and support each other.

[15] Out of these lights, the sun of life will develop - thus the new, perfect Jerusalem - and in that sun I will come back to this Earth. And now we have talked enough about what will happen in the future."

(62. The return of the Lord - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 21)

The Second Coming of the Lord with all those who belong to Him

"[3] But since You were now so merciful to inform us beforehand as a sure fact that You personally and lastingly will come to men for a 2nd time to this Earth, then You still could tell us where on this Earth You will come back to men. What will be the name of that country, the place and that happy people?"

[4] I said: "Friend, on your question I cannot give you an answer that you would understand, for in that time many new places, countries and peoples will arise that still do not have a name now. But the fact that I will come back to Earth to that country and in that place where among the people there will still be the most and greatest living faith and the most and greatest true love for God and fellowman, that you can accept and believe as completely sure and fully true.

[5] However, when I will come, I will not come alone, but all those who belong to Me, who were already for a long time with Me in My Kingdom of Heaven, will come with Me in multitudes and will strengthen their brothers who are still walking in the flesh on the Earth. And so there will be a true communion between the already blissful spirits of Heaven and the people of the Earth, which will really mean a very great comfort to the people of that time."

(35. The conditions for the return of the Lord - THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 20)

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To give you a clear understanding of this process of spiritualization and to explain to you the significance of My resurrection, as well as My passion during My last days on earth, I have to remind you of the fact that **all My deeds and words, even the world events during the years of My ministry, would be recurring gradually until My now imminent second advent. But it will all happen in spiritual parallels and not actually to My person as it did then.** What, at that time, I had to suffer as the Son of man, applied also to the progress of My teaching, which now represents Me spiritually on your earth. This, too, was contaminated, mocked, and abused; then it was buried in your churches - as large sepulchers - and a heavy stone, the stone of empty ceremonies, is blocking it. There it was to rest for ever and be of use only to those who wish to benefit from it in their worldly life and not in their spiritual life. The course of world history is an exact counterpart of the years of My ministry. Just as there are in your life three important spiritual stages: childhood (corresponding to unconditional; faith), adolescence (corresponding to the forming of an opinion of what was believed), and manhood (corresponding to discrimination between appearance and actual fact), thus, also, My teaching went through all these phases, partly during My ministry, partly later after My decease, right to this day and to the future. In the beginning, I, too, compelled the world around me, partly through My miracles to believe and partly educating people like children. And once they began to understand Me, they found through their judgment the truth of what had previously only believed. That is, they entered adolescence. When, in this way, their belief and knowledge had been strengthened, they became mature, stood by My teaching and Me with conviction, corroborating with word and deed what to them seemed the holiest, the supreme knowledge. The history of My religion, the way it was later to be spread, presents to you the same stages, with the sole difference that at the time I, Myself, was teaching, there was no reason for excluding or protesting. However, when people, driven by human passions and guided by worldly opinions and interests, wanted to imitate Me, they turned the divine into what was worldly, gave men only the outer bark instead of the core of spiritual life and, as a result, the good was rejected together

with the bad when men had matured and could use their own judgment. This is what brought about the extremes of people who believed everything I taught and those who believed nothing. Now, as the spiritual stirring is getting stronger, when the corpse in the sepulcher, sealed and covered with a stone, is preparing to rise, now, they still want to begin - like once did Mary Magdalene - to prevent the corpse's decay by means of spices and scents. But, like Mary Magdalene who was disappointed because she found the sepulcher empty, the guardians of the spiritual sepulcher of My teaching will also be disappointed. They will find the sepulcher empty with only the shroud left behind wherein they had wrapped the body of My teaching. But the One Whom they believed to have kept there under lock and key will have risen, will find His disciples and adherents Himself, and give them new courage and zeal through His presence. The closer this time is approaching, the greater becomes the zeal to preserve and guard the corpse. As once My sepulcher was guarded by Roman soldiers who were unbelievers, so today is the same tendency to have an armed foreign power support those who defile and condemn My teaching of love. But in vain, already the first ray of light is breaking through onto the stone cover of the sepulcher! And as every stone begins to vibrate when the first ray of the morning sun falls onto it and continues until the stone is warmed and extends that warmth to what is beneath it, so the coffin-lid is already starting to vibrate. This vibration will keep increasing the more the reaction would like to condemn it to eternal rest. The ray of the spiritual love-sun is going to roll away the stone, drive off the powers that are spiritually asleep, and leaving them and their helpers only the shroud, once more revive the "corpse" and guide it on to its perfection on the path of light. **It is dark in the sepulcher, but the Light-God of Divine Truth wants only light; and light gives warmth, and warmth gives life. Thus, also, the corpse of My teaching will rise from the sepulcher into which it had been put by worldly selfishness and lust for power. It will increase the light, warmth, and life, where they are already glowing in human hearts and spread with blessing these three elements where they may have been lacking completely.**

This is the spiritual picture of My resurrection in My teaching of love, which I actually performed almost two thousand years ago and which will soon, once more, be taking place all over the world. As once My disciples and followers rejoiced at My rising, also this resurrection will be celebrated by all humanity and every individual in his own heart. Thus I am going to rise in the hearts of My faithful when they shall have thrown away the shrouds in which they had wrapped Me, leave all worldly ceremonies and religious rites far behind them, believe only in the spiritual meaning of My teaching, and actually practice what they believe. This resurrection in the hearts will be the rebirth, the final step towards breaking with the world and the first step or beginning of a spiritual life where material ties will no longer have the power to lead man astray or delay him on his road to spiritualization. Therefore, Awake, My children! Open your spiritual eyes, ears, and hearts! Jesus represented through His gentle teaching of meekness and love, Who on the cross loved not only His neighbor but prayed for His enemies, this Jesus shall rise within you! And as the earth is to become His Church, His House of Prayer, where peace, tranquility, and happiness shall once more dwell, also your hearts shall be paradisiacally adorned only with blossoms of love for God and your fellowman. Prepare for this feast of resurrection in your hearts! It is the feast of your spiritualization, of the transfiguration of your own inner self. As I once, transfigured, with a spiritualized body, rose out of the dark sepulcher, you, too, shall leave your sepulcher of worldly passions and desires transfigured, spiritualized, bettered, ennobled, and worthy of Me! If, until now, the world, your education and social circumstances have enveloped you in shrouds with spices and scents to prevent your earthly being from decay, throw away all these useless things, for they are tools of matter and not of the spirit! Remember, you are not of this world! You used to be spirit and shall again be spirit! There is your home, there He is beckoning to you Who, to help you comprehend it, had died for you the physical death, but has risen again spiritually so that after a life that was pure like His you may rise spiritually, casting off what is of the world and, by becoming His children

through this spiritual rebirth, requite on the smallest scale what He has done for you on the largest. Think of what it means to be a child of the Creator and Lord of the worlds, and to become a brother to those spirits who have long before you gone through this school victoriously and who now, in their eternal happiness and bliss, are watching with great joy and brotherly love the everlasting resurrection and rebirth of their brothers. Regard the resurrection as spiritual, which it is, and know that it was accomplished as an eternal memorial and example for you and My entire realm of spirits and souls! At that time, after I had overcome human nature and assumed the divine nature, I shed all that was of the world. You should do the same; then the day of your spiritual resurrection and rebirth shall be your most important day on earth - the keystone to your earthly and foundation stone to your spiritual mission! Amen." (Lord's Sermons, 18)

They threw away the Cornerstone. Its time has come. The end of the false prophets.

„[1] Now has also come the time of the Cornerstone that the construction workers, especially those from Babel, have thrown away. The one who will now stumble upon this stone will be smashed, and the one on who the Cornerstone will fall will be crushed, as this will now happen soon and very soon to all those who will put the Cornerstone aside and want to follow the whore of Babel. O, how will they soon lament and wail. But the rejected Cornerstone will not help them.

[2] I have seen with great patience the game of the pigs for a long time. Like the pig-keepers who kept their pigs in Gadara during My earthly life. But there were 2 very seriously possessed men in the old basalt^[8] quarry - for Gadara was an old mine city.

[3] With whom can those 2 possessed men be compared who were retained with chains and ropes in the big old quarry? When I came, they broke their chains and ropes into pieces, ran at Me and said: 'What have we to do with You before the time?' Look, those 2 can be compared with the mean, old spirit of worldly pursuit of gain in which a legion of other evil spirits are staying.

[4] But since those spirits recognized My serious will, they asked Me to allow them to move into the pigs. And the 2 were free and glorified Me, although the Gadarenes asked Me later to leave them because they were too afraid for Me. And so, in the future, the real spirit of the world and his activity will also glorify Me because he was freed from the legion of his evil, selfish spirits by the power of My light. Although they moved into their pigs, but by that they came to ruin in the sea.

[5] All the ultramontane^[9] servants of the whore of Babel belong to the pigs, because of their dirty, selfish and imperious strivings which they showed very openly and loudly by their concordats^[10] and missions, breves^[11] and curses. And already since the time that the whore of Babel ruled over the nations and their kings, the legions of evil spirits moved into the aforementioned pigs that jumped into the sea. And at this time most of all. That is why their downfall is sure.

[6] The sea means their stubbornness to persist in the old darkness and the light that they persecute and curse everywhere - this light in all the branches of science and technology that I now let flow from the Heavens to everyone.

[7] Look, that is the sea into which the pigs are driven by the bad spirits who moved in them for already a long time and in which they will find their sure downfall.

[8] They dug a pit for My original light from the Heavens to hide it from the eyes of the people and to keep them into darkness to their worldly advantage. But I freed the light, and now they fall into the pit they dug, in which My heavenly original light was meant to suffocate and go to ruin.

[9] Since this is now happening before everyone's eyes and at everyone's obvious desire it is senseless to ask when this will happen.

[10] It is easy to realize that this cannot happen in one moment, as less as the night can suddenly make way for the full day. And in this world everything needs its own time. And no man, no matter how great his talents and abilities may be, can be a scientist or an artist in 1 day. And no fruit of a tree can suddenly be ripe and enjoyed. But once the trees are full of sap in the near spring, and the buds are strongly swelling, then this is certainly a sign that the warm spring and the blissful summer are very close. Some periods of light frost in between can then not make a great difference anymore.

[11] What the prophet Ezekiel has prophesied in the 14th chapter about the punishment of Israel and Jerusalem is now referring to all the works of the false prophets: it will and must be destroyed.

[12] Of what the works of the false prophets consist and who the Pharisees of the present day are, does not have to be explained any further to every clear thinking person, because everyone knows the old enemies of the light, of the truth and the love from Me.

[13] When I Myself told the apostles not to judge, damn or curse anyone, so that the same that comes from Me would not happen to them, then who gave them the right to judge, condemn and impose the most terrible and awful curses on those who, stirred up by My Spirit, have searched and still search for the pure truth? Therefore, they themselves will be thrown into that pit that they dug for the many millions of innocent people. And therein will their evil works also be judged, relentlessly and without any mercy, and they will receive their reward.

[14] Look at all the continents, then you will see how the works of the false prophets of the whore of Babel are hated on Earth by almost all those people who are somewhat more mature, and how their missionaries are received and respected. Certainly not as you can read in the deceitful papers that serve the whore of Babel, but quite differently. Only with very immature and wild people they still can stand for a short time. But once they very soon show their greedy and imperious tendencies, or when they show from under their sheep's clothing the wolf that can be easily recognized, the success of their mission is over and they have to take care to escape from there and save their skin.

[15] How often did they not send their most daring missionaries to China and Japan where there is much gold, silver and other treasures. As long as they did not lay off their sheep's clothing they were tolerated, and they attracted many to them, for the sake of the pretended teaching of heavenly peace. But as soon as they - as it is custom to say - were getting warm, and their sheep's clothing became uncomfortable to them, thinking that they now could act freely in their true, inner appearance, they were immediately recognized for all the things they actually wanted, and they were grabbed and were given their well deserved reward.

[16] When they received the news in Babel about their deserved terrible fate, they were declared holy with great glamour and glitter, even though I Myself have said and taught that only God is holy. But to

such holy ones I can only say: 'I do not know you and have never known you. So go away from Me and seek your salvation and reward with those in whose name you have preached and acted. For you never preached and still less acted in My name, for since your childhood you never accomplished a deed of true neighborly love as I have taught, because you never believed in Me but only misused My name to your worldly advantage. And therefore you cannot expect any reward or mercy from Me. Thus go to those that you have served, and ask your reward from them.' (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23:8)

^[8] *Basalt: fine-grained volcanic rock (dark gray, dark green, brown, reddish or black in color). Rock that solidified from a molten state.*

^[9] *Ultramontane: beyond the mountains (Alps).*

^[10] *Concordat: agreement between church and state.*

^[11] *Breve: writing of the pope that proclaims denominations and favors.*

The impossibility of more religious wars

„[1] AND this is now also the case in this world. In the so-called holy city it already swarms with several hungry holy ones, and they do not know anymore what to do with them and what small paradise they still could give them on this Earth, because despite their cursing threats they cannot command much more than a few square miles, since the kings of the awakened nations and still less the people themselves do not want to be commanded by them.

[2] Then what else can those lazy and hungry holy ones do, except to leave their holiness and to search and accept other services that were not holy enough for them before, in order not to starve as holy ones.

[3] Do you think that in the present situation great religious wars will follow? That would be the case if the man in Babel would still possess his former power over kings and nations and if the greatest part of the people would still be as dumb and dark as 300 years ago. But presently the followers of the old, once so mighty Babel became very small, and the people are already too enlightened by My flash of lightning. Even the most simple country man with his whole family does not believe anymore that the devil activates the steam machines on the sea and on the land for the sake of a soul that is sold to them, or that the devil jumps and dances to and fro through the wires of the telegraphs, bringing the desired messages from the faraway countries and places to the prominent and also to the simple ones.

[4] How many are there who still seriously believe in the so-called wonder statues? Where can you still find a country where the so-called magicians are burned as sorcerers, dragging the readers of the Bible and other spiritual books and writings before a relentless inquisition court that will torture them to death? Which person that is somehow educated still attaches any importance to some remittance of

sins, to all those empty and unspiritual so-called religious ceremonies, sanctified water, incense, sanctified images, clocks and bells, wax candles, relics, requiem masses and expensive funerals, fasting days and norma-days^[12] and still a lot more of such things?

[5] They still go along with those things for the sake of the outer law that already became very weak, but out of 1.000 hardly 10 still believe in it, and not as serious as this was unfortunately the case for a long time during the former dark times of superstition.

[6] If this is the case now for everyone, and not otherwise, then how could one consider a big or even general religious war?

[7] Those who are really dark would like to stand up against the many enlightened ones, but there are too few of them. And if the enlightened ones would be attacked, they know that they certainly will always and ever be victorious over the few and completely powerless dark ones.

[8] But despite that, there will be all kinds of battles and small wars for the humiliation of many dictators who want to stop My light. For from now on I will have no more patience or consideration with all those dictators. This you can believe since I announce this to you Myself.

[9] Look at the kingdom^[13] in which you live. It still has a strong Babylonian attitude - especially for what concerns the dictators - and this for certain reasons which you can easily imagine. They must now gather all their power, and help their 'holy father' on the old throne - if they can and will do that.

[10] Yes, if they will still doubt any longer to give their nations what is lawful from Me - since the pure truth will make and must make everyone free now, according to My Word which should only be followed - they will also share the fate of the one from whom they expected their salvation up to now. They do not have the financial means which are very necessary for a more powerful help. And if they still will rely on an imagined help from the side of a 7 times sanctified altar and its image that performs wonders, they will soon lack every other power. Just let them watch the consequences of their dark concordat, and all the foreign countries will say: 'If you loyally bound yourself so much to our generally hated enemy of the light and neighborly love, then we can make no more friendship alliances with you. Let those help you now in your need and loneliness, for whose sake you forgot all your old friends and who you favored - so much so that you gave more than half of your power into their hands, this to your very great disadvantage.'

[11] Think about it yourself, and see if in your country the extremely bitter consequences of that thoughtless act are not in this way loudly spoken out from everywhere. Then such mistake should very soon be corrected, otherwise that malicious general fire that brings death will come also^[14].

[12] When all the means are lacking to preserve a house, and when their friends and even the better relatives turn their back to them and do not want to hear or know anything to preserve such house that has been neglected for already a long time, then how will that house be able to stand as a strong house, even in the old manner?

[13] Yes, it can strengthen itself and become strong again, but to do this there is firstly needed an unbendable, firm will to do away with everything that is old and moldered, laying a new, firm foundation, and repair the whole house as well as a firm roof by many good workers,. Then everyone will see it and they will say: 'Look, now this house, which formerly became totally useless, has regained true value, and we can trust its foundations, rooms and roofs.'

[14] If they would take the matter into their hands in this way, they would not lack all kinds of good friends from the outside and still more from the inside. But who will ever trust a house of which no one knows anymore who actually dictates the law to the lord of the house so that he can still look like a lord of the house for a while.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23:9)

^[12] *Norma : Latin word (= rule, directive). Important ecclesiastic feast days on which public amusements were forbidden.*

[13] *Austria*

^[14] *This possibly refers to the concordat of 1855 which gave the church far-reaching authority in school, education, marriage and so on. The consequence was a war between Austria, France and Italy in 1859 and a war between Austria, Italy and Prussia in 1866.*

The future of the states of Europe and America

“[1] Look, this is how things are now in Italy that was still dark until recently. This is how it was in the German kingdom many years ago, as well as formerly in England and in Northern America that – through hard battles – purifies itself even more at this time from all the tendencies that resist My initial teaching. There they often say: ‘But Lord, how can You allow the Confederates, who want to keep the slaves, to win important victories against the very humane Unionist?’^[17]”

[2] But I say: with the Confederates not everything is sin what seems to be sin, and with the Unionist not everything is virtue. And so, both parties are now pulling out the splinters and beams from each others’ eyes, and the one sweeps before the door of the other, which should not be the way according to My teaching.

[3] However, when the one as well as the other party will first free their eyes of the splinters and beams, and will sweep away the dung of their house floor, the 2 parties will soon and easily understand each other and will come to an agreement.

[4] Such big and also small arguments – between nations as well as between individual people – happen always when they do not observe My teaching which says that no one should say to his neighbor: ‘Come here, then I will take away the splinter from your eye.’ Then the neighbor says: ‘What do you care about the splinter in my eye while I can discover a whole beam in your eye? First clean your eye, then only you can help me to clean my eye.’

[5] There were already a lot of such battles and there still will be several more of them if the people will not actively and completely adhere to My pure teaching.

[6] But this story in America will not last long anymore. In Southern America, where the Babylon is still much more present than anywhere else on Earth, a big judgment will soon break loose, because the

Babylon must be transformed everywhere into a new Jerusalem, and the pigs of the pagan Gadarenes must go to ruin in the grave of their night.

[7] I think that I have shown you more than enough now as a 'nota bene' for this time. And everyone who can somehow count will easily come to realize what the situation is and why this is happening, and that by necessity they soon must produce their result.

[8] So you should not ask Me for the year, the day or the hour, since all these things are already clear for everyone, and everyone must certainly see the very near end of the night when he sees the little clouds on the horizon that are brightly illuminated by the sun.

[9] Just let those people who possess some power in one way or another try to forbid the grass and all the herbs, bushes and trees to grow again in the springtime, to make new buds, to become green and to bloom, and to prevent all this, or to command the wind and to prescribe the free flash of lightning its way, then they soon will be convinced how great their powerlessness is as a result of their folly.

[10] Once I have spoken out something and want it to happen, it will happen as certain as the sun must come up every morning and go down in the evening. I actually do not have to tell you anything further, although I still can see a question in your mind in relation to France, as to what this kingdom, which is now in earthly respect very powerful, will do regarding the present, general flowing of light. I say to you: to go against My will, will certainly be hard and impossible. " (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23:11)

^[17] Confederates: southern states of Northern America that separated themselves in 1861 from the American Union (Secession) and united as a confederation. The Unionists represented the Union of the northern American states. These 2 parties waged the so-called Secession War from 1861 until 1865 by which the abolition of slavery was only one of the motives.

The future of the ceremonial church

"When the Catholic Church shall meet its judgment and its end, My teaching shall nevertheless continue among very many people on earth. But it will always be something that is free, and will quietly shine among men, a light to comfort them, but never be a queen ruling whole nations, upon a throne, with crown, sceptre and orb." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VIII 14, 17)

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"[1] THAT is the use of sowing a new piece of cloth to an old, worn out coat so that the repaired spot would cover the naked skin, protecting it against the wind for some time. But then, when only a little storm comes up, it will easily tear away the new piece of cloth from the old, worn out coat, and at the same time also a part of the coat. Then who will cover his naked skin against the cold? So make a completely new and strong coat for yourself right away as long as you still have the means for that, and

do not waste in acquiring new pieces of cloth to repair the old and utterly worn out coat, which is not profitable. Then, when storms will come up, they will no more be able to do any harm to your skin.

[2] Which real innkeeper wants to put new wine into old sacks? What will happen to those sacks when the new wine will ferment in it? The wine will tear the sacks, and the unwise innkeeper will lose the sacks as well as the wine. An unwise ruler who shoves a new constitution into an old one can expect the same. By necessity, the new one will cause the ruin of the other, and the ruler will lose everything by that: his constitution, his country and his people, as there are already several examples of this now in Europe, and soon others will follow.

[3] I say to you: whoever will still make eyes at that certain man who calls himself pious, and will talk to him with a snake's tongue while My light from the Heavens becomes more and more intense, will soon be completely deserted and will stand alone. For I want that the long lasting courting^[15] of Babel will finally come to an end. From now on, everything will be new and different, and My Word that I have spoken to the apostles and to a lot of other people, must now arise with new strength and might, and then last until the end of times of this Earth. Everyone must come in the sun and warm themselves in the light of My teaching from the Heavens. And those who sincerely acknowledge and love Me must have, from the cradle to the grave, a continuous very visible relationship again with My angels and so also with Me, just like it was during the first times.

[4] Now you also ask what will happen in your country, when the old sacks will burst because of the new wine that will forcefully be put in and the wine be spilled. I say to you: surely a thousand times better than now when almost no one trusts not even his most honest brother out of fear for all the misery and need that can come from that long and costly hesitation, while he always says: 'You never know what will happen.'

[5] The moment that the wine sacks will burst, the great consumers will no more exist, and the state will take care that those who loyally served the state and the people for a long time with their spirit and mind will not lack anything. But the more than a quarter of a million streetwalkers and loafers without merit - mostly from the side of the clergy - will no more receive their great income and pensions^[16], but on the contrary they will be strictly forced to pay the debt of the state, because that will be respected under all circumstances, so that the one brother would not make a complaint to the other.

[6] Under all circumstances I am again in charge now. And so no more chaos can exist to the disadvantage of those who adhere to Me. This year I still will have a little more patience with the country under which laws you live, but not much longer - even if many of My old friends would still live in their body and in great love and faith. Those who follow Me, and the new enlightened ones, will surely be saved, but all the others will be chastised.

[7] Now you say of course within yourself again: 'Yes, Lord, all this is all right, for once the rulership of some people is spoiled and mischievous, the people must receive another one that fulfills the physical and especially the spiritual needs of the people. But as long as the old temples of idols, which are called houses of God or churches, still exist with their servants, and perform their service, and may still preach the great working of their clerical submission to God to the still many blind people, especially in the pilgrimage places and monasteries, a new rulership of the people - whether it exists from a new constitution or from a new ruler - will always be in danger of gradually relapsing again into the old darkness. And this all the sooner when the servants of the temples have to live from the income of their clerical work. If they then still have to exist for a certain time as teachers of the people, then let them be

paid just like any other civil servant. But they never should want or accept any payment from no one for their service to the church. Then the works of the temple servants in exploiting the people, cheating and stealing will certainly be very clearly stopped. And the pilgrimages, wonder statues and relics and still a lot more of churchly miscarriages and abuses will soon be put to an end.'

[8] On this, I say that on the one hand your opinion is completely correct and right, and for a while it would also do fine because the so-called spiritual man would undeniably be more engaged in teaching the people for which he is paid than in clergy ceremonies which are no more profitable to him. But if he would perform his cleric service without payment, the blind people would consider him to be even more important because of his merit for God, and in this manner they would automatically fall into their old superstition, still worse and deeper than before. What would give him a great and magnificent prestige to the people, the spiritual man would not represent it as something that has no merit for Me but as something that is extremely pleasing to Me. And in this way he would strengthen the people into their old superstition and make a new throne for the great rulership of the whore of Babel that nears its complete end now.

[9] So let the clergy exploit the people. Let the still blind people make pilgrimages and pay expensive masses. Let them do their confessions, go to church, organize exaggerated expensive processions for their deceased ones, let those clergies chase inheritances and sell expensive exemptions and remissions of sin. Let those Babylonians do even worse things, then also the most blind one will soon come to his senses and say: 'No, such religion can only be deceit, because those who are most convinced of the pure teaching of Christ and who should act accordingly, show by their deeds that they themselves attach no importance to that whole teaching, they do not believe in a God, and thus they are simply false prophets. They only care about their belly. They often take away the whole possession of the people by all kinds of deceit. And if this is not sufficient, they take it away by some kind of lawful coercion which is allowed to them by the state. And they do not even give one thirsty soul a sip of water of all the things they simply robbed away. Therefore, away with all those false prophets. Away with those devouring wolves in sheep's clothing, and away with everything with which they tormented, deceived and robbed the poor, blind people. Away with the temples, altars, secret images, relics, clocks and all useless cleric utensils that do not have any spiritual value for life. From now on we will examine the whole teaching of Christ ourselves, and let it be explained to us by true teachers who are enlightened by God, and then we will live and act accordingly. And the true teacher will not be hungry or thirsty at our table, and he will also not have to walk around on bare feet.'" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23:10)

The order of development

"[1] THAT it (France) shows itself now pro forma^[18] as the protector of Babylon, while it is actually its enemy, is very true, for by that it will hold back other states with their rulers, who are still very much in favor of Babylon, to put with their combined force the old night back again on its high throne to enslave their people even more than ever before. For only very little of a free, good will is left with the old rulers towards their people. What they are doing now for the benefit of the people is enforced by the circumstances. If they could do away with those circumstances through some beneficial method, they immediately would start to sing another and actually very sad song to their people, and the people

would again have to dance to the pipes of the old Spanish inquisition, which would certainly not be desired by anyone anymore.

[2] To destroy in one blow all the present circumstances, which are still floating between good and evil, would mean the destruction of countries and peoples. Therefore, everything must have and go through a certain time in this world. As long as the new must-wine is not very well fermented and thus did not remove all impurity from itself by its own activity, it will not become a pure and spiritual wine.

[3] If someone wants to build a new, good house, he only should completely destroy the old house after he has constructed the new one. For if he would immediately destroy the old one, then where will he live and who will protect him against all kinds of discomfort during the time that the new house is build? Then it is wiser to carry an old, no matter how worn out and repaired coat out of need until a new one is ready than to walk around naked. And so, according to My very good order, the one thing must always come from the other after it can last and be durable.

[4] During the time that I gave My teaching on Earth to the people, paganism was largely spread into all direction in all kinds of forms and appearances, and My teaching was only a bright morning star in the great pagan night. The morning star became soon easily covered by the very thick clouds of the pagans, so much so that the people could hardly and difficultly guess its true position. Some said: 'Look, here' and others: 'Look, there'. And it happened that they took other stars for the morning star and honored them greatly. And so, for the formerly supremely powerful paganism it was very easy to melt together and unify the morning star with themselves, and in this manner to present themselves as the only, true, old morning star to the people who asked for the morning star about which they repeatedly heard.

[5] The morning star that is in this way deformed and covered by clouds performs also wonders before the blind people while only the name of Zeus was changed into Mine. And the people were satisfied, and the old paganism remained, with very little changes. But still, My teaching remained intact and well preserved with a few people, despite all persecutions. The noble seed that fell into good soil took root, well and strong, flourished and bore good fruits, although in secret, unnoticed for the blind eyes of the whore of Babel.

[6] The morning star became a sun that completely comes up now, and the clouds of paganism will never more be able to cover that sun so that not even someone with weak eyes could take the day for the night.

[7] The light of My flash of lightning has become mighty and will never more be pushed away by the pagan night. How? That I have clearly shown in this 'nota bene'.

[8] I want to end this writing^[19] to admonish with all My love each of My friends, not only to read this, but to take it well at heart and to believe that I am the One who have revealed this out of My free mercy to My friends to comfort their heart and enlighten the reason of their soul. And in return I do not wish anything else than only your sincere love and thus also a living faith.

[9] He who can and wants to do something special, out of love for Me, for My always earthly poor and now already old helper^[20], I soon will reward him manifold, amen. This say I, the Lord, the eternal Life and the Truth.

[10] And now in the next writing we return again to the gospel. We still will stay half day in Gennesaret, then we shortly will travel through the 10 cities." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 23:12)

^[18] *Pro forma: done as a formality.*

^[19] *Meaning Writing nr. 297 (Grosses Evangelium Johannes) of the original handwritings of Jakob Lorber.*

^[20] *Jakob Lorber.*

The age of technology

[1] (The Lord) “But in the end there will come a time when the people will achieve a great knowledge and skill in all things and will build all sorts of machines which will perform all human tasks just like living, thinking people and animals; but through this many people will become unemployed, and the stomachs of the poor, jobless people will go hungry. Then the misery of man will increase to an unbelievably high level. Immediately then people will be awakened by Me once again, and they will announce the truth of My name for more than 200 years. Things will be well for those who then turn towards it, although their number will be only a small one!

[2] However, once the number of the pure and good will have decreased as in the time of Noah, the Earth will again be visited with a universal judgment in which neither people nor animals or plants will be spared. No longer will their lethal, the fire spitting weapons be of any use to the proud people, nor their fortifications and metal roads on which they will move along with the speed of an arrow. For there will come an enemy from the air and destroy all those who have always done evil. This will truly be a time of shopkeepers and moneychangers.

[3] What I did only recently in the temple at Jerusalem to the money-changers and pigeon-sellers, I shall do on a large scale all over the Earth and destroy all the selling and money changing stalls through the enemy whom I shall send to the Earth from the vast expanses of the air like a flash of lightning and with a great thunderous noise. Truly, against that one all the 6 armies of the Earth will fight in vain. However, the great, invincible enemy will not harm My few friends but will spare them for a new plant nursery which will produce new and better people.

[4] Do understand this well! But do by no means think that I want it thus and that therefore all this is predestined. Nothing could be further from Me and from you! Yet it will be as it was before the time of Noah. The people will keep putting their worldly knowledge and acquired skills to increasingly evil use and, of their own free will, bring upon themselves and, finally, upon the whole Earth, all kinds of judgment out of the depths of My creation. But then I will say along with you, My noble Romans: *Volenti non fit iniuria!*

[5] Yes, the people shall indeed have everything in metes and bounds, build their earthly lives in comfort and shall spare their hands from hard work, in order to gain all the more time for the development and ennoblement of their hearts and souls, and shall all immediately be full of joy in My name throughout all their lives; but among them there shall be no suffering or grieving people, except a willful sinner against every well established order in My name!

[6] But if along with the naturally increasing skill of the people their selfishness, greed and power grab also increase and thus the darkening of the human minds, then naturally bad consequences can also not be avoided! For if you quickly put one foot after the other again and again, the result of this fast procedure cannot be avoided. But whoever hesitates with his foot cannot complain if even a snail overtakes him. Falling from a great height obviously brings death to the body; but if someone knows this from experience and jumps nonetheless from a great height into the depths – what is that called?

[7] Behold, that is blind wantonness, and the terrible consequence of this is not My will, but instead the unchanging law of My eternal order, which cannot be lifted either in a particular place or even less in general! Or do you think that I should therefore take the destructive heat from the fire so that an idiot who throws himself into the fire should suffer no harm?! Or should I take away from the water what makes it water and that a person can drown in it either through lack of care or by being pushed by someone or by own intent?!” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 12, chap. 3)

Self-inflicted Judgment

[1] (The Lord): “Look at the mountains full of forests and shrubs. Behold, these absorb a suitable number of all the nature spirits (electricity, magnetic fluid) compatible with them. Go and deforest all the mountains and you will soon become aware of the most dire consequences. Thereby great masses of free, very crude nature spirits will begin to more and more fill the atmosphere above the whole earth. Since these do not find a suitable abode and sphere of activity, they will begin to cluster in great masses and, driven by their hunger and thirst (assimilative instinct), cause the worst, all-devastating gales and ruin entire countries to such an extent that in a hundred, often a thousand years nothing will be growing there but here and there a moss plant. Thus there are to this very day on the wide world places extending for many leagues which are as bare of vegetation as the desolate, barren limestone on the shores of the Dead Sea in Lower Palestine into which the river Jordan is flowing.

[2] Well, is that perhaps My will? Oh no! Where men must have freedom of will and freedom of action so that they can become human beings also in spirit, I Myself do not interfere – no matter how foolishly they may act. All I do is allowing them to reach, unperturbed, that which they have so eagerly striven for as if their life’s happiness depended on it. It does not make any difference to Me whether the consequences are good or bad. What they create they get. Although I know what will happen afterwards, I can – and must – not intervene with My omnipotence; for if I do that, man ceases to be a man. He is then nothing else but an animated machine and can be of no value forever, either for himself or for Me. For he resembles a writer who is not capable of writing any syllable himself, but if he should write nonetheless, a scribe must guide his hand from A to Z; and if he has written an essay in this way, he nonetheless does not understand it. And even if he has written a hundred thousand letters in this way, he is nonetheless just as little a writer himself as the stylus with which he wrote. Just as little the man of this Earth would be a man if the free will was not left thoroughly untouched and likewise his acting.

[3] The will can surely be directed through all sorts of doctrines and laws; but neither a doctrine nor any law can prevent the free will from carrying out what it wants to do. If the will of man wants to adopt a doctrine and a law as the guideline for his actions, he will in any case direct himself accordingly without

any inner compulsion; but if he doesn't want this, no power of the world and the heavens can force him – and neither must!

For, as I said: Without free will man is no longer a man, but instead purely an animated machine, like the machines that the people will invent with time, which will perform the same artificial tasks that now hardly any person is in a position to do. But such a machine will nonetheless not be a human being, neither according to the form nor even less to the inner freely working reality; for it has no free will and can therefore never perform any independent action. Whatever the human will has laid in it, it will perform, and never anything else.

[4] But man can, out of himself, do whatever he likes, and no one can prevent him from doing it. Thus, man can do what he likes with the earth that carries and nourishes his body; and only the consequences will teach him whether his will was good or evil.

[5] Therefore every human being has reason and as a consequence of that, intellect. He can become enlightened through doctrine, worldly laws and every kind of experience and then choose spontaneously what is good, right and true and determine his course of action accordingly. With all this he suffers no coercion, since he himself chooses freely what he has recognized as good, right and true.

[6] But we can experience only too tangibly day by day from hundreds of cases that people nonetheless very often spurn all they have recognized as good, just and true mostly out of temporal interests, and act to the contrary. And from this proceeds the fact that the freedom of the human will cannot be endangered or restricted by anything. And so it is very possible that, as time goes by, people will be able to invent great things and also affect the nature of the Earth, so that in the end it will have to be quite considerably damaged. The consequences of this will certainly not be anything pleasant and will seem to be a certain punishment for the wrongly used will, but not wanted at all by Me, but instead brought forth through the will of man.

[7] If the people want another Deluge, they only have to dig up the mountains and they will open the floodgates of the underground waters! If they want to see the whole Earth in flames, they only have to destroy all the forests, and the spirits of nature (electricity) will multiply so much that the Earth will suddenly be clothed in an ocean of fire and lightning! Would it then be Me who want to destroy the Earth through the fire?! Therefore teach the people to be wise, otherwise they themselves will bring the curse of judgment upon themselves!

But I know that it will happen, and nonetheless I cannot and may not act against it through My omnipotence, but only through My teaching. – Do you understand that?" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 12, chap. 4)

Future calamity of the earth. The children of God will be safe.

"[1] Cyrenius says: "We would certainly have understood it; but this understanding has little of comfort for the people of this Earth! What use then is the best teaching, if the people can fall away from it again in time and then contribute to the destruction of the whole Earth! Yes, if we had, as Your witnesses, at least a thousand years of life and our youngest disciples would then have just as long, that would be

enough to keep the teaching pure; but if You Yourself firstly, according to Your rather clear 10 warning, are leaving this Earth bodily and secondly the signs will become rarer – yes, then I do not know who will bear the blame for this if the Earth is totally and utterly destroyed through the pure foolishness of the people! What use is it if they survive a few thousand years from now on, but then nonetheless will obviously be annihilated?!”

[2] I said: “Friend, if in that time you will also not continue to live as coarse matter, as you now live, think and speak, you will nevertheless continue to live eternally as a spirit, very much more clearly aware, stronger and more powerful and you will be the eyes and ears of everything that will then happen and be necessarily allowed by Me; but you will certainly agree with everything and will in addition contribute quite a few elements for the castigation of the people and will approach Me with millions of other spirits very many times to give the Earth a new disposition and form! But I will then always admonish you all to patience and love.

[3] And when on the Earth things begin to become so crazily confused, you in My kingdom will have great joy and say: Well, finally the Lord is allowing the crying injustice of the people on the material Earth to feel His rod! Just think about it, that I have never let there be a lack of people filled with My Spirit, not even among the greatest heathens! Not even 50 years ever passed by – and once again men stood there who showed the people the right path! Now I have come Myself as a man onto this Earth which is appointed for a great destiny; after Me men will immediately be sent to the children of the world until the end of the world and will constantly convert many to the true light.

[4] Not a single iota will be lost of this teaching now given you. Yet this will be of little importance to mankind in general which, as long as there is – and must be – matter, will be in constant conflict with the pure spiritual element. However, let nobody be in fear because of it; for there will always be many who are called, but only few elect among them.

[5] Those who will follow the chosen ones, for them the Earth will always have a safe place; but those who are too deaf and blind. (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 12, chap. 5)

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“Beyond My wisdom and beyond My will nothing can happen. What happens and what still is going to happen, is calculated and directed from above and has its deepest holy reason; however, who is with Me in the heart and in love and in the will, the very worst world cannot harm him in any way. However, who is one with Me only in wisdom, will have to endure many and evil battles in the world; since the world will in its material reason never recognize, that its apparent something, is actually nothing before the spirit. – Be content with this and have a totally cheerful disposition with Me!” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 15, chap 22)

Predictions of ecological disasters

"Quite contrary to his destiny man has defiled and misused himself and his natural environment and this is the cause of all the grievances that pursue him spiritually as well as materially with all kinds of misfortunes and sufferings." (Secrets of life, p. 90)

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"And thus it is possible that in times to come people will be making great discoveries with the help of which they will be able to affect nature on Earth so that this will spring a lot of leaks. The consequences will, indeed, be quite disagreeable and become a punishment for men's wrongly applied will; however, not intended by Me, but simply brought about by their own will." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN V, 109. 6).

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"All kinds of great natural cataclysms, particularly in those spots on earth where people will have built too large and magnificent cities in which the greatest arrogance, lovelessness, evil practices, spurious justice, power, influence, but still the worst poverty (slums) will be reigning." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VIII, 186,4)

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"There will also be great storms on land and at sea; in many places the sea will flood its shores." "There will be extreme dearth (inflationary development), famine, many bad diseases, epidemics and pestilence among people, animals and even plants." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VIII, 185).

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"Soon after this time of the greatest industrialization the situation on earth will begin to look very grim for mankind since the soil will become barren." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN III, 33, 4).

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"The natural phenomena and events, accidents and diseases preceding this time are the last efforts to save whatever can be saved, that not all may suffocate in the mire of egoism" (Lord's Sermons, 53)

Political predictions

"I have shown you repeatedly what - because of men's free will - will be the cause of the extremely bad future." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN IX, 144, 7).

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"The first sentence of the following statements refers no doubt to the two world wars with 70 million dead. This prophecy has already come true, "One nation will rise against the other and fight it with firearms." "Inventive man will achieve a state of affairs where soon no nation will any longer be able to start a war against another. For if two nations should fall upon each other with such weapons they would easily and in no time destroy each other completely which surely would not bring any true victory or gain to any of them." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VIII, 185, 9)

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This prediction obviously refers to nuclear weapons and the military stalemate between the United States and the Soviet Union.

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"It will not be long before your social system, which you think will continue for ever, will collapse." (Lord's Sermons, 35).

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"There will be growing indications of terrible catastrophes." (Lord's Sermons,5).

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"A state of great worldwide want, misery and distress, as never before experienced on earth, will be commencing." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VIII, 185, 2).

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"All this will be allowed to happen ", it goes on, "to turn mankind away from their arrogance, selfishness and great (spiritual) indolence." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VIII, 185)

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"Men have now strayed so far from their true goal that no human power would be able to deter them from their pursuit of pleasures." ... "Therefore, I sober up the nations through distress. I free them from the delusion that the worldly pleasures, for which they are craving, are the foremost thing a man should strive for. Through most unpleasant events I teach them about the instability of worldly self-conceit, worldly glory and worldly possessions and prove to them the eternal permanence of spiritual treasures. To all of them I show that there is yet Another above them who, although He suffers them to do what they want, is holding in His hands the threads of the chain of circumstances." (Lord's Sermons, 49)

The judgment on paganism

[1] Now My old disciples said: "Lord and Master, You have promised us that, while we are here, You would tell us more about it. Thus, do it now, since it probably is now the best moment for it."

[2] I said: "When it is the best moment, I surely will know best. And besides, I already have told you already a lot about it, what will certainly also happen, for I may change nothing to the free will of man – and you cannot change it also."

[3] However, with My birth, the judgment of the heathens has already begun everywhere. It now continues increasingly and will still continue for almost 2.000 years until the full light among the people on this Earth.

[4] As you can see now in the morning sky how all kinds of clouds are forming and are piling up at the horizon as if they want to stop the rising of the sun, so also great numbers of all kinds of obstructing clouds will rise up sky high against the coming great rise of the eternal and spiritual sun of truth, and will do great harm among the people. But they finally will not be able to stop the great rise of the sun of truth.

[5] You just have seen many beautiful stars shining in the sky, and also in the west you have seen stars that were glittering deep into the night. Look, these preceded as good messengers the still visible messengers of the morning and worked during the night. And that is now your task.

[6] However, when brighter morning messengers will come up at the spiritual morning horizon, then this will be a sign that the great and general sun of life and truth will soon follow. Its very bright light will be a relentless judgment for all lies and deceit that together with its followers and worshippers and its great worldly pomp will be slung into the abyss of contempt, righteous wrath and forgetfulness. For then, the enlightened people will not think back anymore about the deceit and the judgment that lasted so long.

[7] But already now you can observe quite well that the mass of clouds that looked so threatening black is having golden edges that are lightening up. So you also will notice during that time that the people who shortly before were still totally dark and true enemies of the light of truth, are from all sides more and more enlightened and are becoming brighter by the light rays of the truth. And further also, radiating themselves, they become enemies of the old lie. And such enlightening by the sun of truth out

of the Heavens which is drawing near to its full rise, will be My sign of the Son of Man for all true people on Earth and the beginning of the great judgment on the harlot of the new Babylon.

[8] Then those who love the truth will burst out for joy and will praise Me, for I already have sent them before the sign of My rise at the sky of the inner spiritual day. But the enemies of the truth will start to wail and gnash their teeth, and they will – as far as this will still be somehow possible – try to hide themselves into dark corners, together with their continuously decreasing number of followers, which will however be of no use to them, because when at that time the full sun of truth will have risen, its light will totally enlighten all dark corners and holes, and the enemies of the light will no more find, nowhere on the whole Earth a place of refuge.

[9] I Myself will however be in that sun as the eternal Truth, and by means of its light I will be ruler and leader of the people's life and of their temporary, spiritual and eternal destiny.

[10] And by this I have shown you now the full and well understandable truth about the great judgment of the new and the old paganism. But for the sake of the people I will give you another image that you also can tell the people, but not without the right explanation. Let us now quietly continue to view this morning scene." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, Book 18, chap. 94)

The future of Rome and of the antichrist

„[1] AFTER about a quarter of an hour when we all were looking with great interest at the morning scenes, I said again to those who were present: "Be attentive now to all the images that will appear before the full rise of the sun, because I want that you also will see with your eyes how everything will develop during the last time of the new paganism."

[2] Now all of them were turning their eyes with doubled attention to the east. It was still quite half an hour before the full sunrise, and thus still many images could develop before the eyes of the disciples who were watching.

[3] Firstly one could see in the distance a thick and completely black mist arising from the horizon. When this had reached about 7 times the height of the faraway mountain range at the horizon, it soon seemed to glow, because countless flashes of lightning were shooting through it, so that all those who were present, thought that a terrible storm was now raging there.

[4] However, I said: "You may worry about something else, for apart from us, no one can see anything of this phenomenon."

[5] Then they all continued to look on to see what else would follow.

[6] And look, on the upper black edge of the mass of mist that was completely glowing by the many lightning appeared a big city.

[7] And I said: "Look at the image of the new Babylon."

[8] Then Agricola said: "Lord, that looks very much like Rome. I merely can see a great number of ruins around the city, and in the city itself, besides those buildings that I know very well, there are also a great number of new buildings and temples of which the front is strangely decorated with crosses. What does all that mean?"

[9] I said: "Look, that is the fall of the old and at the same time the beginning of the new paganism. Already within approximately 500 to 600 years, counted from now on, this is how it literally will look like. However, keep on looking at the image now."

[10] Again all of them were looking attentively at the image of which the scenes were quickly developing one after another. And look, one could see great migrations of the nations and many fierce battles and wars, and in the middle of the city one could see something that was arising as high as a mountain. On the mountain stood a high and big throne that looked like as if it was made of glowing gold. On the throne sat a ruler with a triple crown on the head and with a staff of which the top end was decorated with a triple cross. Out of his mouth came countless arrows, and out of his eyes and out of his chest countless lightning of anger and very great pride was also shooting out. And kings came to him of whom many bowed deeply before him. He looked friendly at those who were bowing like that before him and he confirmed their power, but those who did not bow before him were persecuted and greatly harmed by his arrows and lightning.

[11] Now Agricola said: "Lord, this does not look too good for the later rulers over the new Babylon. It seems that their power will be greater but also much more cruel than it is now. Because now, only the worst criminals are punished with the cross, but only with a single cross, but he there is actually holding before all kings not less than a triple cross in his ruling hand. Lord and Master, do explain this somehow to us."

[12] I said: "This does not represent a special ruler over many nations and people, but only the visible personality of the antichrist. That triple cross stands for My teaching, which during that time will be imposed triply falsified before the kings and their people. False in the word, false in the truth and false in the real application of it.

[13] However, the kings who do not bow before him and whom he curses are those who are still more or less possessing the truth of the old teaching. His arrows and lightning are indeed reaching them, but these cannot much harm them. But continue to look at the image, for I only can show you therein the most important moments."

[14] Now all continued to look on with great attention.

[15] (The Lord): "Look, many kings, who earlier bowed very deeply before the one who sits on the throne, are gathering their armies and are marching against him. Look, it leads to an embittered battle, and his exalted throne is sinking already quite a long way down completely into the city, and you only can see a few kings who so to say are only bowing before him for form's sake while now there are a lot of arrows and lightning that are sent back by the many other kings who have become unfaithful to him. But now, almost nothing can be seen of him, and this will happen after 1.000 to 1.500 to 1.600 and 1.700 years.

[16] But look again now. Look, he is trying to exalt himself once more, surrounded by black gangs, and a few kings are stretching out their hand to help him, but look, those who are doing that are soon becoming powerless, and their nations are pulling off the crowns from their heads and are giving them

to the strong kings. And look. Now his throne sinks down, and the strong kings are hurrying towards the place and are dividing it up into several pieces. And so, all his might, pride and greatness is going to ruin. Although he still slings arrows and weak lightning all around him, but those are harming no one anymore because most of the time they are returning to him and are injuring him and his weak and dark troops." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, Book 18, chp. 95)

The Antichrist

"First of all, I make it comprehensible to you that in My Teachings and Words lie considerably more salvation and blessings, if lived accordingly, than if you could interpret all the vials of wrath in the prophecies of John.

This much I can tell you: The earth, with its entire humanity, is engaged in the process of separation, and that everything which is going to happen soon is, indeed, written in those prophecies, but it will not be fulfilled in the sense in which you would interpret it. To "**shorten the days**" means - in view of the spreading of My Word - to speed up the cleansing of the earth of its corruptible elements, which has already been taking place for some time.

You also keep reading of the "**Antichrist**"; most people imagine this to be a personality. If they looked upon the world with an attentive eye, they would find many "anti-Christians", because there are only very few actual successors of Christ or My Teachings, and even these are still far from being what they really should be.

The actual "Antichrist" is the generally prevailing obsession for entirely different things than are preached by My Teachings. It is the prevailing inclination of so many people where only the head is active and the heart is being condemned to silence. Here you must accept the "head" or the calculating intellect (as the spiritual principle) as the "Antichrist" who has already for a long time been actively working his wiles on earth, endeavoring to explain to mankind, by seductive arguments, that only what the intellect can grasp and elucidate is true.

Whereas, what the heart feels or suspects is nothing but the fleeting haze of an excited imagination! That is why the doctrine of the materialists is the last stage of rationalistic wisdom, and therefore, the addiction to pleasure and the means by which to satisfy it, and the contempt for all which is noble, good and sublime. Thusly, "knowledge and no faith"!

And still man forgets what I once said: 'Your knowledge is but fragmented!' All these pictures in the Apocalypse of John are spiritual figures. They are prevailing epidemic mental disorders which drive and dominate people. In order to be able to decode these revelations, a person must think on a much higher level than he is capable of at this stage. He must see and understand, from My standpoint, the spiritual inner world of the souls enveloped in a physical body on earth.

He must recognize how the spiritual trend changes, how I then make use of it for My Own purposes and how, instead of what mankind would like to achieve, only My Great Goal can be strived for! If he is capable of rising to this point of view, then he will also understand what it means: "**They killed the prophets and left their dead bodies lying in the street for three and one-half days.**" This signifies:

When mankind heard the teachings of My Chosen Ones, they refused to accept them, mocked My scribes and servants, or regarded them as non-existent, as dead. They rejected My Teachings or 'left them lying on the open street', not believing in them, but also not completely discarding them either. Until after a short time (figuratively **three and one-half days**) truth triumphed again, the one believed dead became alive once more and returned to whence he had come, i.e. he ascended to Me. Whosoever comprehends the meaning of these words, that is, what they signify spiritually, will also easily find out the meaning of "**the city of Babylon**" or "the place of intellectual errors."

Whosoever throws himself into My Arms can calmly watch the coming events. He knows that it is all for the benefit of the straying children. Once he will realize from My Words that the world cannot exist in this way - since I did not create it for this purpose - he will also understand that I have to return, in order to save whatever can still be saved! Wherefore he, too, shall strive only for no other goal, than to prepare himself so as to be worthy of and be counted as one of "My Children", and not be swept away from the earth and annihilated with the rest of the debris!"

(from **The Advent of Christ** - Jakob Lorber and Gottfried Mayerhofer)

The Regiment of Antichrist

"[14] From now on for nearly 2000 years countless many seers and prophets will be awoken, while at the same time even a bigger number of false prophets and even highly haughty, power-hungry and all love bare false Christs will rise. But also the judgments will continue and there will seldom be a ruler who because of his darkness will not together with his people, have to endure a severe judgment.

[15] Towards the end of the indicated period, I will awaken even bigger prophets and with them also the judgments will increase and become more widespread. There will occur great

earthquakes and very destructible storms of elements, large price increases, wars, famine, pestilence and many other disasters, and as I have already remarked earlier, faith will - except for a very few - not be among the people, and will be frozen in the ice of the people's haughtiness, and one nation will attack the other.

[16] The people will be warned through seers and special signs in the sky, of which only a few of Mine will take note of, while the worldly people will only regard this as effects of nature and spit on those who still believe in Me.

[17] Thereupon the greatest revelation through My repeated return to this earth will take place; but this revelation will already be preempted by the greatest and sharpest judgment and be followed by a general thinning of the worldly people through fire and its projectiles, so that I Myself can establish a completely different plant-school for true people on this earth, which then will last until the end of times of this earth.

[18] I now say this to you in advance, that you certainly should not be of the opinion, that after Me it will be perfect like in My heavens. Yes, very few will be equal to My angels, but many even a lot worse than are the people during these our times.

[19] Despite all this you should not become annoyed about this; because I already have told many times, that man without his free will, is not man at all, but only a human like animal.

[20] In the best case one could train such people like animals for a certain activity, but never place them on the level, that they recognize that such work for the true person and for the animal people are good and useful, so that they then decide for themselves to perform such useful work at the right time.

[21] Man who sins against the law, thereby also shows that he is a free man, just like the one who follows the law voluntarily. Therefore you should not judge and condemn any person, but only teach him with all patience and gentleness and show the lost the right way. If he wants to walk on it, it is indeed good for him; however, if he does not want to do it, you therefore should not coerce him in any way, but in the worst case ban him from a better and purer society, since a coerced believing person is ten times worse than an open unbeliever and apostate.

[22] Look at the Pharisees! They are all coerced believers for pretense; however in themselves they do not believe anything and do whatever they have a desire for.

[23] Therefore be careful if you in My name choose successors for you, that you firstly under no circumstances force someone and secondly do not accept someone, where you can see it already from a distance that he wants to step into your office only for a temporary interest.

[24] You will take care of such indeed; however, nonetheless **countless will take your office, partially through outer compulsion and partly through the prospect to find a good and carefree life in your office. However, all these will be counted by Me to the regiment of the antichrist**, and their works will cause a disgusting smell and look like a stinking cadaver before God.

[25] Verily, I say to you: **all your successors who are not prepared by Me, but trained only by people in certain world schools to follow your office, will not be looked at by Me; since only the antichrist will qualify his disciples in this way.**

[26] Those whom you will lay on your hands and baptize them in My name, will be filled with My spirit; it is them whom I Myself at all times will chose as your successors and will confirm them by the true granting of My spirit.

[27] However, during later times there will be only a few, because **the antichrist will expand his regiment too much; but when he thinks to be the highest in the world, he will be brought down forever!** Have you understood this well and clear?" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 15 Chap. 21)

Characteristics of the Antichrist

[1] Said thereupon John as My favorite: “Lord, then it is hardly worthwhile the trouble to make such efforts for the sake of the silly people! Since when Your most brightest life light given to the people only too soon darkens again through the always victorious efforts of Satan, then he should take the people as they are now, thus completely ripe for his hellish kingdom. Why should these people first be endowed with Your life light?! Truly, if this will be the fruits of Your divine teaching, it means – if one wanted to teach the worldly people Your teaching – to throw Your life pearls to all the pigs of the world as common grub! One should not give to them the noble stuff, hence they will not be able to spoil and pollute it!”

[2] I said: “Yes, My friend, for the sake of those people who do not believe in it what they might hear about My teaching and falsify it for worldly profit, the teaching of life from Me is not given; since for the soul of such people and their possible and further development I still have endless many and large school houses in the whole of infinity.

[3] Only for the true children on this earth I give this teaching and they are also included in the true redemption from everlasting death. However, they also will always maintain this teaching as purified and will never be subject to world deception, but they will diamond hard stick to the everlasting life truths.

[4] What do we care about all the worldly people? The opportunity is given to them to also step into the rows of the children of God. If they want to do this seriously, they should not be hindered to do so, and if they don't, they should do what they want and you have not to worry about them any longer!

[5] See, this is the way things stand! For I have not come to free the world from its old judgment fetters, but only to free My children from the world and its judgment. And what and how I do it now, subsequently you and your successors will do it likewise.

[6] And what on this earth must be solved according to My order, you also will have to solve, and what you will solve, will also be solved immediately with Me in heaven; however, what cannot be solved, leave it bound, or if someone does not want to observe it, leave him in his fetters and bind him, so that you are not bothered by the bound, and verily I say to you, he will also be bound in heaven by Me and for a very long time remain a slave of his dark world will! – See, this is how things are!”

[7] Said John further: “But **how will we recognize such dark antichrists?** Because this I can see quite clearly now, that Your teaching will be taken up by many, especially by the magicians, who will beautify their magic by it. Oh, just tell us also the distinguishing signs, so that we can recognize them quickly and immediately start to fight them!”

[8] I said: “**You will easily recognize them in their works! Since no grapes grow on thorns and no figs on thistles. Who gives something and wants to take more in return, is truly not My disciple! Since see, I give everything for those who are Mine, finally even the life of this My body, and in return take from no one a sacrifice of this world, but only want that a person must love Me above all, so that I can give him even endlessly more and greater things.**

[9] Do you think the antichrist will do the same? Oh, certainly not! He will give his followers dreadfully little – like perhaps nothing else than empty, fictitious promises of the great beyond, but in return will

ask for large offers, like done now by the clerics, who are getting paid for their several feet long prayers; however, these prayers are of no use to anyone, not for this world nor the beyond! And see, exactly the same the antichrist will do and the Mine will recognize him and his disciples and followers quite easily by these trifle and hollow fruits!

[10] What are the Pharisees doing presently with the sinners of all kind and types? See, they take a sin offer, either as money or also in other kind of rich offers and thereupon give the sinners a free pass for the already committed sins and also for those sins which a person, of which there are plenty, especially in the rich world, contemplates to commit in future and tell the people: 'It is better for you to sacrifice, if you cannot keep the heavy law!' And in this way the clerics lift the laws of God and instead promulgate their selfish worldly rules, for their sole purpose is a good life at the expense of poor, blind mankind.

[11] See, the antichrist will do it precisely in the way and also all his disciples and you will recognize him by this even more easily! And if his disciples in all the world will shout with open mouths: 'Look, here is the true Christ!' or 'There he is', such will not be believed by any of Mine! However, leave the true children of the world and do not call them, so that you have peace from the dragon and its followers; because for some time he will appropriate large powers to himself and will treat his enemies quite badly! But by this, he will prepare his own judgment and downfall.

[12] During that time I will allow the people to make great inventions, which, like glowing arrows, will penetrate the dark chambers of the dragon and will immensely destroy his wretched deceiving arts and his false wonder works, and he will be standing naked even in front of his most fiercest followers, who will soon turn away from him in large crowds.

[13] Therefore you should not worry what will become in time of this My teaching; since I alone knows about all the things which have to take place in this world and what must be allowed, so that one day it also will become life bright in the blind world!

[14] However, it will not happen as quickly as you think; since I alone know the life elements in this earth and also knows best, what it takes to lead them in time to a higher life light. Therefore do not ask any further and be of a cheerful courage!

[15] See, there are still waiting quite peculiar wretched events for Me in this world, which will actually not have to wait very long! But because of it, you will not have noticed any sadness in Me. Let there come as it want to be. I alone am the Lord!

Beyond My wisdom and beyond My will nothing can happen. What happens and what still is going to happen, is calculated and directed from above and has its deepest holy reason; however, who is with Me in the heart and in love and in the will, the very worst world cannot harm him in any way. However, who is one with Me only in wisdom, will have to endure many and evil battles in the world; since the world will in its material reason never recognize, that its apparent something, is actually nothing before the spirit. – Be content with this and have a totally cheerful disposition with Me!"

(The Great Gospel of John Book 15, chap. 22)

About the 1.000-year Kingdom

"[1] BUT you can see now that the sun is already penetrating everything with its light, and you can see the dark troops fleeing in all directions, but not to the place from where the sun is coming. Everything disappears now for its light and sinks into the kingdom of forgetfulness.

[2] But look now again, then you can see how out of the little clouds a new Earth is developing. What do those little clouds mean? Those are the people who have united together who are totally enlightened by the godly truth. And look, now these communities are coming closer and closer to one another and in this way they are forming one great community. That is the new Earth above which a new Heaven is spreading out with full light and clearness.

[3] You must however not think that by that this natural Earth will perish and would be changed into a new one, but only the people will create with each other in My name a new spiritual Earth, because they are accepting completely the godly truth as true brothers and sisters.

[4] Then I Myself will be and rule on this new Earth among those who are Mine, and they will fellowship with Me and will never more lose sight of Me.

[5] But now look in the mean time also to the old Earth. See how from the new Earth more and more dense streams of lights are floating downwards to the old Earth, and so they are igniting it in such a way that it looks like to be in a blaze. There you can see a lot of dead people who are coming as it were out of their graves and are going to the light. See how they soon are clothed with the garment of truth and are then floating upwards to the Kingdom of the new Earth.

[6] But at the same time you can notice also that still a very great dark part of it are also making effort to put on the garment of light above their black garment to make from it and with it again a new anti-Christian paganism out of self-interest and lust of power. But I Myself am letting My wrath – that means the fire of My truth – to break loose, and My angels of the new Earth are throwing themselves as it were with flaming swords on them and are chasing every further dark attempt on the run into the abyss of total destruction.

[7] This is the very last and greatest judgment, a 1.000 years later. That time will be called My 1.000 year Kingdom on Earth, which will be once more interrupted by war for a very short time by this very last judgment. But the victory will be quick and complete for all future times. From that time on there will be for the Heavens and the Earth one Shepherd and one flock. The Shepherd will be, as always, Me, and the flock will consist of the people on Earth, completely united with the blessed ones in My Heavens.

[8] These last mentioned ones will fellowship visibly with the people on Earth, just like it was before during the ancient times of the people on this Earth. But before that will happen, also the natural Earth will experience very drastic changes. Big countries and kingdoms, which are now still covered by the great and deep sea, will be lifted up as very fertile soil, and many mountains that are still high now will be lowered. Their tops that are crumbled off will fill up a great number of deep canyons and valleys and produce fertile land.

[9] Since the people during that time will no more covet nor pursue perishable treasures, 100.000 times as many people as now will be able to live very well provided and happy on Earth. Together with that, every evil disease that tortures the flesh terribly will during that time also disappear from the Earth. The

people will cheerfully reach a high age and will be able to do a lot of good works, and nobody will be afraid for the death of the body for he will see clearly before his eyes the eternal life of the soul.

[10] By the performance of good works it will be essential during that time that the children will be educated in the right way and that the one who is physically strong will sustain the weak elderly people as much as he can.

[11] On the new happy Earth there will also be marriages, but only according to My order as it is the case in Heaven, and also a great number of children will be begotten, but not by way of pure lewdness but by way of the true earnest of love, and this until the end of all times of this Earth.

[12] Here you have now a true image of the last judgment over all the heathens on the whole Earth, which is also very easy for you to understand.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, Book 18, chap. 96)

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„01] But I fully got up and walked around a little with the disciples. Because of the beautiful view several benches and other seats have been installed. I stopped and sat down. From here one had the best view of Jerusalem.

02] The disciples looked at the beautiful city and John said in a somewhat wistful voice to Me: “Lord, You are my love, isn’t it forever a pity about this city, that it according to Your announcement will be wretchedly destroyed within the near future?”

03] Said I: “You, My dear John, has here for this point made quite a suitable remark and also see in My eyes tears. But what can one do more here to prevent it?! See, for the sake to maintain these walls to destroy all citizens by an angel of death, is surely not something very wise, but rather something very unfortunate; since there are still living several thousands within these walls, who in time still will believe in Me! And you see there the seventy and the many toll-collectors including the disguised pharisees and scribes; they will still today believe in Me fully, and there are still many among the nation, who subsequently will also be converted. Therefore this place should be spared as long as possible from any kind of too great a judgment . However, when all the good little fish has been saved from this pond, and nothing else is left than adders and revolting frogs to swim around, then the time has come to ruin the wretched marsh by fire and earthquakes.

04] O, look at this whole landscape! How did it looked like ten times thousand times thousand years ago?! There existed only very little mainland and from these in abundance covered mountains and valleys no trace existed. Only by later subsequent for your mind unthinkable greatest and nearly over the whole earth generally raving fire eruptions lasting for thousands of years, did the earth over time developed to such this landscape.

05] And see, just as the natural formation of the earth progresses, also the spiritual development of man will go forward! At this point in time the souls of people are still full of raging storms and eruptions of the wildest fires. The wildest passions free themselves and destroy everything in and above themselves. But leave it at that, - **since their will come a time, when all such passions will transform into a calm and fertile ground**, and only then it will become truly bright and joyful among the people! However, the

truly good and pure people will always be rare in numbers, compared to those who more or less will still be ruled by their world passions.

06] **Such a better time will last for a thousand and some several years and will similar to the current form of this earth, which now, only plagued by a few storms, is in a certain calm and order full of lush and fruit rich regions, but nevertheless has alongside it by far more unfertile and very stormy regions than calm and fertile regions, - apart from the great world sea.**

07] **However, after such more than a thousand years of time, the earth will again have to endure a great fire trial.** During such time the mountains on this earth will turn into level and fertile lands, and the sea will have to give up manifold the dead land which still lies buried in its deep, and the better people will take ownership of it and turn it into Eden. Afterwards, until the total dissolving of the whole earth, true peace will rule and death will never again has his right.

08] But just as the mountains of the earth will become equal to the level land, also the people will have to completely down their haughtiness through hard trials, otherwise it can never come to a true, inner peace among the people of this earth. Since war is only born by haughtiness; if haughtiness ends, also envy, jealousy, stinginess, hatred, strife and with it all quarrels, arguments, struggles and wars end.

09] And as such this now so famous and nearly oldest city, of which already the great king of Salem has laid the foundation for its walls, will now, as a mountain of haughtiness, morally and physically be degraded and made equal to the level land, and it will happen with it like with an old, very high cedar tree, which, since it became dry, rotten and dead, will be broken off at its rotten roots by a storm, then the loggers will saw it up and chop it up with an ax after which it will be burnt in the fire. {mt.03,10; lk.13,09; mt.07,19; joh.15,02; joh.15,06; jl.ev01.006,10; jl.ev06.207,09; jl.ev11.039,06; jl.ev11.024,06}

10] With the tree it was caused by its nature, with the people however it is caused by their evil will, which does not want to submit to even the most wise laws, just as once the Hanochites through their unrestrained disobedience, brought the Deluge over themselves, in which they all badly perished. How many thousand times were they warned by Me through many seers, to leave the mountains alone! Only, nobody of them paid any attention to it. They ate, drank, indulged and sinned in all possible manner, they flirted and held large wedding banquets, until the flood surrounded them from all sides and drowned all of them. The same will take place here.

11] This exceedingly haughty snake brood will in time in their blindness and their power-mania raise above the Romans to drive them out of the this country. And this will be the end. The general and later on also emperor is already born, which will destroy this city and its people.

[12] And **at the end of this world-people period** - however, not the end of this earth - it will happen as follows: Humans will during that same time, rather not level mountains to the base like the gold and gemstone searching Hanochites did, they will also not be able to antagonize the Romans anymore, however, **they will by means of all kinds of machines driven by fire power, begin to drive unbelievable deep shafts and holes into the inner of the earth, whereby the highly flammable gasses push in great masses onto the surface of the earth. And once the atmospheric air is too much saturated with such gasses, it will start to ignite almost around the whole earth and burn everything to ashes. Only a few people will stay alive.** However, those who will survive, will be people of the best kind. They will truly inhabit a totally new earth, and you and many who will come and be awakened after you in My name, will be their teachers and leaders.

13] **Only from then on will My kingdom on this earth be fully spread out, and the people of the sun** will with the children of this new earth, step into a full and equal relationship and grow up in the love of My true children.

14] This, what I now have told you, keep for yourself; since in this time it would be not useful to anybody's salvation, if he knew about it in all clarity. At the right time I Myself will explain this to the people in detail if they can endure deeper knowledge. - Did you all understood this well?" (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 6, chap. 207)

Reasons for people destruction

[1] (The Lord) "They even accuse God and say: How could God let a flood come over the Earth to drown all life and how could He destroy the Sodomites and the Gomorrites!?" Oh, nothing easier than that! For why let bustling and prim lumps of flesh crawl around the earth any longer, whose souls have strayed so far from the old order of God that even the last trace of self-awareness in them is gone out of pure concern for the flesh?

[2] Can there be an even thicker incarnation of the human soul than that in which the soul has not only come into being from the divine spirit in its every representation but which also in the end loses itself so much that it begins to deny its own being quite seriously and can no longer be convinced that it exists?

[3] Yes, when that situation occurs with the people of the world then man has completely stopped being human; he is then only an instinctively reasoning animal and above all incapable of any further education of the soul and the spirit. Thus such a body must be killed and decay along with the too intensively incarnated soul, so that **maybe after many millennia** a soul which has become free of all incarnation can enter the path to its self-education and independence, either on this Earth or on another.

[4] That there are here, however, often people who no longer know anything about their own soul for pure concern about the world and their flesh, you can recognize partly in yourself, partly in the Sadducees and to a great part in all people; for no-one knows any longer who and what the soul is! One talks about it and says, "With heart and soul" and "he is my soul mate"; but if you ask someone "Friend, who and what is the soul?" the person questioned stands there like an ox on a mountainside not knowing what to say!

[5] But once a soul does not recognize itself any longer and in the end even quite forgets what and how it is, then everything ends! And there is nothing left for God to do except the old maneuver of destroying the human body anew on the face of the Earth, sometimes to a large degree, sometimes to a lesser degree, depending on the situation of the people whether they still know something about their soul and spirit or nothing at all.

[6] Such pure worldly and fleshly people may look very beautiful and sumptuous, particularly the female sex; the easily understandable reason lies in the constant greater conjunction of the soul with the body. But such people also become weak through this and are very susceptible to all serious physical effects. Their bodies become sick easily and the slightest wind of a plague brings inevitable death, while people

who have a free soul and a free spirit in it can let all the poisons of the Earth come over them and it will not harm them in the least; for a free soul and the freest spirit in it have power and means in abundance to face every enemy in the most effective way, while a soul gagged everywhere by its cursed flesh resembles a small tied-up giant who in the end cannot even defend himself against a fly and has to allow an insensible dwarf with a knife to slowly but painfully remove his head from his body.”

(THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 5, 97:5)

Explanation of The Revelation of John (The Apocalypse)

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Several years after the death of Jakob Lorber, Gottfried Mayerhofer, who lived in Trieste, received valuable additional dictation from the Lord. The following text deals with part of the Apocalypse and deals with the coded language which John used.

Why such a coded language? The Lord has a very simple and convincing reason:

“Had I as God of Love caused the entire process of development up to this day to be written in a language common to you, the words would have died away and nobody would have cared for their spiritual meaning.”

[The Lord Jesus:] “This Revelation of John or – I prefer to say - this picture of manners for the entire period, which came over your earth after My transition into the domain of the spirits (until now and My return) - this revelation has been explained, explored and set forth by many a person who presumed to be learned, but so far no one has found the right key to open up the chapters of this Holy Word, nor to judge correctly the happenings and periods, all of which had to happen after My ascent, as long as man, a free being, was lord over his own actions.

Now, that we have almost reached the fulfillment of the entire prophecy and most of it is already over, I will explain to you this Revelation step by step in order that you may be able to judge for yourselves how far all of them were away from the real meaning by attempting to find out the literal sense of what can be expressed only by correspondence.

As long as man does not comprehend the interpretation or the spiritual meaning of words (called correspondence), it is useless to attempt the grasping My Words in their innermost sense. Even the great amount of new messages which you have received until now, attest to

the same; for, as you confessed so often, the more frequently you read them, the more spiritual appears their content, often different from what you thought previously.

You must start from the principle that I, being the **Highest Spirit**, can think and speak only spiritually and that I express these spiritual thoughts and ideas in words comprehensible to you according to the human level of intelligence; yet as you take and read these words, your interpretation is by far not final.

I had John write down this Revelation by adapting My ideas to his comprehension; had I spoken to him differently, he would have failed to understand Me, misinterpreted My words or not dared to write them down for fear of falling victim to a deception.

Hence, in this Revelation you find only symbolic pictures; you find the "**Wrath of God**," the **plagues** and still other things which were frequently used by the prophets in those days, but which should not have been taken that way, since I, the **God of Love, cannot exercise anger, hatred or revenge**. If you think it over more carefully, all this is impossible; by sudden destruction or moral compulsion I cannot immediately put into order all that does not please Me or is against My plans.

Should I become inflamed about things which I personally created this way and not otherwise? Should I pronounce a curse over creatures whom I put out as free beings and who therefore had to fail and fall in order to recognize the great divine properties and their value by their contraries?

How could you evaluate light, if you knew nothing of shadow or darkness; how could you understand the beneficial power of warmth, if you knew no cold; how comprehend sublime virtue, morality and moral feelings unless their opposites existed; how understand an idea of spiritual progress unless you also knew the road downward?

Behold, from all this you come to the conclusion that the writings of the Old and New Testaments contain much which is not meant as the letter shows, but which nevertheless - well adapted to the understanding of that time - embraces forever the great spiritual germ where, beginning with you people presently alive, your descendants, then the spirits in the highest Beyond with all their various gradations, and even the angelic spirits will always find therein increasingly sublime realities, the higher they stand, and the greater their own spiritual development and understanding is.

In this way all My words must be taken; thus they were and will be forever a rich mine of wealth with spiritual treasures which can never become exhausted, because I, as an endless Spirit, could think and speak only endless things and have My scribes write them down.

Now you have only a faint idea of what can and must lie within each of My Words; therefore let us take a further step and begin with the first chapters of the Revelation.

Behold, the first chapters of the Revelation are dealing with the **seven churches** which existed after My heavenly return. As the first and best ones they were expected to serve as a basis for preserving My religion and explaining the Jewish religious cult and for showing how one is expected gradually to go over from the formal and ceremonial to a spiritual understanding, as I once said: "Think not that I came to destroy the law or the prophets, I came not to destroy, but to fulfill" (and to complete) or to restore the righteous, actual value of the fundamental truths as deposited in the Jewish religion; this happened more often in the sequence of time. Likewise it is the purpose of My messages given you directly since more than three decades. [Starting with Jakob Lorber.]

These churches, which consisted of only a select few apart from the persecution of people of different belief - were as beginners still exposed to the mistake of misinterpreting My Words. For this reason the symbolic mention that the members of individual churches should go with their leaders, who as stars or lights would show them the way they should walk. In reverse, also the churches (and individuals), united with their leaders, might become "**shining lights**" or guides for others who still are wandering around in the dark.

In the following chapters we find reprimands to these individual churches where - as in all doctrines of belief seven false prophets and overzealous propagators had arisen and where also all sorts of aberrations on the part of the human heart had occurred, because the understanding of My so simple Word was interpreted by diverse people also in diverse ways.

In addition these churches were not all in the same situation among themselves and with those with whom they had to live; they were also exposed to every kind of temptation, to which a church, just forming - in whatever sense - will be exposed.

In these seven churches you will meet all sorts of conditions, which must occur among free-thinking people, such as

(a) the zealous hanging on to a doctrine as well as a misinterpretation of the same,

(b) the vacillating hither and thither between a spiritual and secular direction, just as yourselves, since you also form a church, as it were; you can experience among yourselves, how "**neither cold nor warm**" (chap. 3,16) is in the same way applicable to you as in days past more than a thousand years ago; also you will set about quarrelling with the world surrounding you, the more you want to adhere to My doctrine, and the more your doings and dealings are in contrast with those of the remaining world.

So it happened with the establishing of each new religious sect, which believed to have entered upon a better way; so it is with you, and will likewise be with many others who want to make My Words applicable to the world.

In connection with these first chapters I must still say something, namely that the number **seven is mentioned as a spiritual symbol**, since we are dealing here with seven stars, seven

churches etc. [Compare also the seven seals, the seven trumpets, the seven bowls of wrath. Ed.]

In order to bring this number seven somewhat nearer to your spiritual eye, I must first suggest that you consider more closely all uneven numbers so as to better understand the importance of the same, and also numbers like 3 or 7.

Behold, when you attentively consider the number **Seven** and also the number **Three**, you will notice - if you wish to judge something symmetrically - that in the case of Three the two individual members happen to stand on the one and the other side, and in the case of Seven three happen to fall upon each side.

For, taken spiritually, a harmony is possible only, if a fundamental basis, or center, finds itself somewhere, around which all things move, and upon which they depend and rest.

Thus, in the case of Three you always have to accept the middle number as central point, upon which the others relatively depend: they have proceeded from it, or have come into significance only through it; the same is the case with Seven, where Three on each side are the up-building, complementing and uniting factors of the whole.

Consider **My Seven Properties** (Love, Wisdom, Will, Order, Earnest, Patience and Compassion);(*) you find Order in the middle; for without Order nothing can exist. Thus Order is the basic although Order has proceeded from Love, Wisdom and Will, Order must nevertheless be the basis of the first and that of the succeeding properties, namely, the basis of Earnest, Patience, and Compassion.

() See in "John The Great Gospel," Vol. 7, Chapters 17-21, and "Sermons of the Lord" Hos. 16 and 32.*

Take the first three properties: **Love, Wisdom and Will**; again Wisdom, identical with Order, is the basic fundament of the first ones; and take the last three, Patience is the main property between Earnest and Compassion; for, as I created free beings like Myself, Patience must be foremost in order that I may not destroy My own work within the next moment.

What I mention here of My properties: I could also prove this to you by the law of the seven colors and seven tones, where likewise colors and tones are material counterparts of My spiritual properties. But this is not the place for it. Instead we shall now proceed to the next chapters and their explanation; for, as **the Revelation represents a marvelous picture of all phases of My religious doctrine**, the explanations must also show you in great, but clear outlines how all things came about, and how now the millennium, or the end (of the old, humanly-erroneous, i.e., materialistic systems), or the return to the first beginning (spiritualistic beings) is supposed to reestablish this harmony, which once ruled between Me and My disciples, and which later will be reestablished between Me and entire humanity in order that there be only **one** shepherd and **one** flock. Amen.

Continuation on July 19, 1875, in the afternoon

The next chapter discusses a **Vision of John**, which shows to him the Lord and Creator as the Highest of the heavens in the picture in which those who live there were accustomed to seeing Him, that is, sitting upon a throne, surrounded by *the* eldest and highest, who were adorned with golden crowns.

Here you see again that, in order to be understandable, I had to make use of the intelligence of John; so the **number of the eldest is 24** - a number, which in Jerusalem the superior priests had, where, together with the High Priest, 25 represented the whole Council.

As regards the **four animals** and the **sea of glass** first of all, the animals themselves are embodied attributes of My own Self: the lion as strength or omnipotence, the calf symbolizing mildness, man as a spiritual potency, and the eagle as ruler of the universal ether. Notice that all these animals were adorned with many eyes, also had wings like eagles; this signifies the general ruling over earth and heaven, and **the sea of glass** represents omniscience. This means that before God's eye all things are transparent, nothing escapes it; with the swiftness of an eagle His piercing glance flies through the whole universe; with the power of a lion He governs everything; with the mildness of a calf He harmonizes all improper states. With the spirit like a man, as His image, He ennobles and spiritualizes everything in order that even material substance, being mindful of its spiritual origin, may arrive at the place whence it has proceeded. After all powers of creation, conscious or unconscious, bowed before the Only-Lord, also **the elders** fell down on their knees, who were to represent the spiritual great world in the Beyond in order to offer the befitting praise to their Creator as the Highest Lord.

Thus first of all John was shown figuratively what is **the majesty of a God**, before he was able to comprehend who in reality was the One, whom He, the Lord, made descend to this small earth in order to save mankind from the total loss of its spiritual dignity.

This is the entry to the entire great process of fermentation, which was started spiritually upon this earth in order that the only and purest doctrine be effectively founded, which was worth it that the Lord as a human earth-son suffered such a bitter lot in order to transmit new to the anew to the earthly inhabitants the highest potency of human dignity through His greatest humiliation.

What all in the sequence of time opposed this problem - as it actually went along its course - and what will be the final result of all this is described in corresponding pictures in the succeeding chapters, as it actually happened, where the divine was first raised by men and then degraded - but, ultimately raised again, will finally, as a spiritual victory over the material world, bring a permanent domain of peace and stillness. The next chapter shows to John **a book with writing on every page, closed and sealed with seven seals**. This signifies **My only and true doctrine**, comprised in two commandments, which I pronounced to all men; this pronouncing by the "Son of Man" as "Lamb" - the symbol of innocence and sufferance - means the "opening" of this book of life solidified with My seven properties so that it should be made known to all creation, especially to the people of this earth!

And how this lamb - or I as the God-Man upon earth -had to **break the seven seals one after another**, and how the same had to correspond to the Seven Basic Properties of My inner Self, because My act of salvation was not meant only for this earth, but for entire material and spiritual creation, you will therefore discover that already the first symbol - namely seven horns and seven eyes – correspondingly signifies the actual earnest or firm will or power, with which I carried out, and will still carry out, My mission, accompanied by the properties of omnivision referring to each of these attributes.

The **first seal** represents to you a picture of how out of the book came a **white horse**, symbol of My all-encompassing **Love**, crowned by all the other properties, and with a bow to wound even the hardest of hearts in order that all things some day may dissolve in love.

Out of Love the world was created, out of Love I descended to earth, and out of Love shall consist the first foundation-stone, destined to establish My divine doctrine upon earth and never to be overcome.

The **second seal** released a **red horse**, symbol of **wisdom**, or humanly expressed, of reason, the power of discernment, which wants to weigh all things critically; this power will compare the divine-heavenly doctrine to material existence; in that way it will thereby uncover differences, which of course have to appear, since it is impossible to serve two lords. Therefore, the result will not be peace, but conflict just as human passions get into conflict with the divine principles of the spiritual human soul, whereby fanaticism will be produced on both sides, religious wars outside and pangs of conscience inside, as a necessary consequence when two extremes are confronted with each other as contrasts.

The **third horse**, which appeared, was **black** and had in its hand a pair of scales; this was the firm and righteous **will** which had undertaken to carry out or to pursue the ultimate goal through all obstacles quite undisturbed. Correspondingly the will is also the righteousness which weighs actions, whereby good ones are rewarded by themselves, and the bad ones punished the same way.

Righteousness or justice should prevail everywhere in matters of belief as well as in social life. As Christ I taught people to comprehend better their own traditional doctrine. I taught them love, I taught them wisdom which "directs" love into the right measure. I taught them tolerance or justice toward all things and all people. - These three seals are already the key for how My doctrine should spread, if it wanted to fulfill this purpose, always having as goal the ennoblement of the human gender. The **fourth seal** shows you an ashy **pale horse**, that is, of undetermined color, neither cold nor warm, or symbolically, as it says there, death: for death does not signify a ceasing, only a **change**. Thus, in connection with the change caused by My doctrine, the color of the horse corresponds to the way of proceeding upwards or downwards; upwards to a higher spiritualization through accepting My doctrine, or downwards to the brutalization of even the noblest properties, which I, the Creator, have put into the human heart.

This seal, corresponding to **the order** or lawful procedure of all created things, quite naturally leads to the explanation of the **fifth seal**, where the human sacrifices are figuratively represented; they are the ones who, according to the teaching, fall materially on account of human passions. Besides, already intimated is the victory in which participates everybody who - despising the material things - brings as an offering to the spiritual reality the best he had on earth, namely his own nature and his own physical body. Thus, as before in connection with the scales justice was represented, here are correspondingly intimated **the retribution** and the highest joys, which are allotted to these who, in the middle of the battle, are able to protect and carry high the banner of their God and His doctrine.

The **sixth seal** shows you a complete **revolution** upon the entire globe, which means: **the urge for the spiritual doctrine** will change all social conditions. The eager haste to attain to the one goal will rouse the adversary to an equal haste. War and destruction will arise within and without. The rulers will lay siege to weak nations and the nations, when their rights are curtailed too much, will assault the ones in power. Thus the religion of love, peace and tolerance, in its struggle to survive, will produce only the contrary; these powers will battle with each other, until the spiritual will be victorious. This sixth seal, therefore, corresponds to the **earnest**, which means nothing but this: All strife against it is in vain; where a God will assert His divine right, even stones must give in, for His is the justice and glory in all eternities.

Amen!

Behold, those who were marked with the seal correspond to the ones who had overcome, and who will participate in those joys, of which I once said: *"They who believe My Word and do accordingly will enjoy happy conditions in the Beyond, which no human eye has ever seen and no human ear ever heard."*

These happy conditions are intimated by the long, festive white robes, corresponding to innocence; and the ones thus marked will receive the reward for all their sufferings and the distress which they have endured on account of Me and in the name of My religion.

In this manner the entire picture will unfold gradually, wherein the whole history of My doctrine will be clearly shown in certain periods of time, from the first word of love to all wars of religion, persecutions and fanatical offerings by priests.

The opening of the **seventh seal**, or the end of the entire evolutionary process, revealed to John in this chapter, where in spite of all plagues and calamities in reality only Compassion **does its last work**, is pictured in **the seven trumpets and the following plagues**, which will be only **means of cleansing in order to lead humanity back to its best**. The **sounding of the trumpets** likewise represents the consequent happenings in the moral-spiritual changes, which are bound to take place in the human heart as soon as the **two-edged sword of doubt** steps in and the suspicion of unbelief swings its scourge.

Thus figuratively the **incense-burning (sacrifice) upon the altar of love** became a plague for selfish humanity; as symbolically all things withered away, man in general closed his heart to all

noble qualities; he did not want to accept a religion which demands sacrifices that will bridle his earthly passions.

As figuratively **fire** destroys all things, the **selfish passions** likewise destroyed all the good; in place of tolerance, in matters of belief, one endeavored to destroy with blood whatever was of a spiritual nature and therefore indestructible; things were that way still during the first (Christian) times under the Romans, where all kinds of horrors existed in connection with the fanatical religious customs of the pagan priesthood, who gave them even the stamp of religious consecration.

What happened to individuals later became extended to the great masses of humanity; the more the numbers of believers grew, the more **persecution** against them took place; the greater the zeal for the pure teaching was, the greater also became the sacrifices of martyrdom. Thus after the downfall of the Roman empire, new conditions developed, where **two bishops** were sitting on the throne, one in **Byzantium**, the other in **Rome**. Never united among themselves, they always supported this disharmony for their own selfish gains. In place of the former persecution of Christians among the heathens, now Christian people were persecuted in masses by the popes, because they did not believe what they (the popes) thought right, or what was not convenient to them for the moment to declare as right.

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From the time of the partition of the Roman empire, where later the bishop of Rome became "a pope", from the time of schism the **Wars of Religion** started, the disputes of the church councils, the persecutions by **ecclesiastical inquisitions**, the **subjugation of the kings** by the popes, and finally the **crusades**, then the endeavors of the **reformation** and their bloody consequences in all lands, and through the **mixture of human races**: the development of **various diseases** as for instance the plague, etc., all of which were shown to the disciple John figuratively as the **trumpet calls** and the **bowls of wrath**. Likewise the corresponding spiritual picture **The struggle of the woman with the dragon** was shown as the picture of the battle of human passions and worldly interests with spiritual progress and the doctrine of love, the travails to conclude the work begun as well as the passionate conflict, which evil elements stirred up against all those who turned towards better spiritual elements. All these pictures seen by John express nothing but the violent resistance, which - first of all - My doctrine had to cause, and the natural progress how between good and evil the good finally must and will win.

Do not be shocked at the form of the pictures; they are the apprehension of that time and according to the manner of describing in those days. **For many centuries humanity could not be influenced otherwise a humanity which knew little love and at best gave in to fear. Had I as God of Love caused the entire process of development up to this day to be written in a language common to you, the words would have died away and nobody would have cared for their spiritual meaning.**

Yesterday also you, My scribe, were still quite grieved about the explanation of John's Apocalypse, because I did not explain to you picture after picture, what the one and what the other should mean in a corresponding sense; indeed, you wanted to give it all up and not to continue this message.

You see, My child, here you judged humanly like many before you, who sought the explanation in the same way; but as the effort of your predecessors was in vain, yours would have been the same.

The scorpions, the dragons with seven heads, ten horns and golden crowns all show the manifold explanation of My doctrine, how sometimes it compelled the people, supported by worldly power, to accept certain religious dogmas and ceremonies, from where religious sects arose.

The dominion of the church, well known to you from history, its tendencies and the means, which it used in order to attain the power, to which it really had lifted itself, and how the people in large numbers fell victim to the fanaticism of the Roman church and its inquisitions - this are all these pictures, which would move before your eyes like a panorama, if you wanted to read (with spiritual understanding) **the history of the popes, kings and nations**.

The later description, how **finally the religious mood again slowly decreased, how material interest (seemingly) gains the victory**, how gold and silver are now more sought after than spiritual richness - you can read all this in the following chapters, where, as in the beginning, is shown the victorious ascent of evil under the cloak of religious cult - where then is shown, through scientific discoveries, the decline of the former, also of every religiosity, as well as a going over to **materialism**.

Thus **the downfall of the Roman church** is presaged in these pictures; yet not as if I rejected the church, but how it has prepared its own downfall and must have the reward from its own works.

The killed prophets refer to the **martyrdom** in earlier days, where many a divinely inspired man - at the side of hypocrites - likewise had to climb upon the stake "*per gloriam dei*," since **in none of the centuries I neglected to send prophetic awakeners** in order that mankind did not suffer totally to be lulled into sleep. The **bowls of wrath** and their individual effects signify the **plagues and wars** which man had caused in part by his own unnatural life and in part by malicious wars and horrors; still today, where you live, you can notice for yourselves how the effects of egoism, materialism, the unrestrained passions of man cause in general as well as in part - all sorts of accidents: accidents at sea on account of greed for gain, accidents on land for the same reason, accidents by physical forces, caused by bad management of the people in connection with their own soil (upon and under it), suicides and murders of all kinds as the result of wanting religious feeling, and lacking belief in another world, etc.

Take all this together and write it down in the symbolic language of the orient, as once My disciple John did, and you will be able to add to the 7 bowls of wrath another 7, which likewise would describe terrible conditions.

Thus My doctrine went through all the **phases**, of which the human mind is capable, from purest piety to crassest unbelief and rejection of all that was given. From the strict obedience to My commandments, from the pedantic explanation of My words to the total rejection of whatever is spiritual, although preached by a thousand voices within visible and invisible nature: in all this you see the picture before you, which was given in the form of cries of warning and trumpet-calls, which were however succeeded by action (or punishment) on account of not obeying. **From the bowls of wrath** and their vent - as symbol **that the evil and the unnatural must punish itself** - you see this all clearly before you how My seven properties gradually stimulate to the better, how man's free nature resists them, how erring upon erring, mistakes upon mistakes follow, how all effort is in vain, and how it is impossible totally to banish My words from man's mind, and how even the most vicious and most evil attitude nevertheless must and will lead to the better.

This long standing **battle of the dragon with heaven**, this **persecution of the woman with her little child Christ** as the initiator of peace - all this will now lie clearly before your eyes; likewise it will be evident that upon long struggle, upon long flowing to and fro a decision must be made, where it will be shown who is the victor and who the vanquisher!

You now approach this time; it is **the spiritual life of peace**, presented by the picture of the **millennium** that will fall to the share of those who are not marked with **the sign of the animal**, but with **the sign of God**.

As before My descent already a spiritual battle was in action between the spiritual and material, however in very gentle forms, and how after My departure this process of separating must lead to a final result, there shall, therefore, after this struggle which had lasted for more than a thousand years, a time of peace set in: when people will begin again to be men as I created them and as I want them to be so that they may be called My children.

This will be the time of requital - the time where the spiritual has vanquished the material, where **man as a citizen of two worlds** will feel at home in both of them in order that ultimately My words will be understood and My descent upon your earth in days past be revered and lovingly followed in its fullest worth and in the entire light of its divine purpose. This will be the time when the dragon will be conquered and made prisoner, where the ten commandments of Moses as well as My own two will be understood in their entire significance.

In this time of peace and quietude, after such a long and troublesome struggle, **the kingdom of spirits** will also be able to participate therein, where **those left behind** - warming themselves up by the example of **the living people** - will get along more easily than it had been possible for them until now.

This time is referred to in the Apocalypse as "**the millennium**" or "**the New Jerusalem**"; for as once Jerusalem was the place where in the temple the holy **Ark of the Covenant** was kept, where once the eternal fire burned and where only psalms and incense-burning on the altar of sacrifice should pronounce the purest divine service for IEOUA, - this Jerusalem which was defiled by its own priests, desecrated by them, had laden upon itself curse instead of blessing by My death which I suffered there as a man, - this Jerusalem, the destruction of which had been predicted by the prophets and was confirmed by Me, - this city which was for the Jews the sanctuary of all imaginable things and still to-day is the bone of contention for various religious sects, - this Jerusalem will again spiritually descend upon your earth; it will come as in the glory of its time, **bringing peace and quietude to all those who believe in The One**, Who once had preached in that city, had suffered and was crucified, but had arisen again.

This **city, as symbol of the first communion of the Creator with His creatures**, will descend with the palm of peace, offering it to **all those who, after struggle and suffering, have gained filiations with God**.

As in those days the Jews knew only one Jerusalem, so in the days to come there will be **only one church**; there will be **one shepherd and one flock**: Religious sects will disappear, the God, Creator and Lord, who once walked as man upon your earth, will be recognized as what He was, is and everlastingly will be as your Guide and Father of all.

The communion of the world of spirits will still be increased and relieved by the reality that **I will come in person, visible to My children**, in order to console, pacify them and actually to prove that what I once spoke, what My apostles wrote, and what John in his Apocalypse said will be fulfilled; then, when all spiritual and material wars have ceased, all people will easily understand Me, comprehend and willingly fulfill My commandments which begin with neighborly love and end with the love for God, because then they know how to live right.

But upon this millennium still **another epoch** will follow when the animalistic human nature makes its last effort and when the fallen great spirit requisitions his descendants; but his effort will *be* in vain, and then also to him will come the question, whether forward or backward, which will decide his further existence or non-existence.*

**In John The Great Gospel, Vol. 10, Chapter 188,21 it says: "The Prodigal Son is already on his way of return, but he still needs an endlessly long time until he will have completely returned into the Father's House." (Remark by the translator.)*

All this, My children, is the real essential substance of John's Apocalypse. It is given in **pictures**, but when read with **spiritual eyes** and the **language of correspondence**, it will show you clearly how this little flower of love, the human love, which I planted into the hearts of men, could never be rooted out, and how - in spite of all plans of rulers (be it in the spiritual or material sense) - this germ of divine origin could never be destroyed. It could not be, since Love is the essential nature of My on Self; and Love was the reason for which I called into existence the entire universe: How could this spark be lost or suffer to be destroyed? In vain men shook this building, endeavored to mystify My Words and to analyze them falsely. All they caused by that

fell back upon them; they had to pay for it, had to harvest what they had sown. So now you see how, little by little, all scientific and cunning explanations of the Word of Love (the Scriptures) melt away like snow before the sun of truth. - Behold, the greater the effort of resistance on one side, all the quicker moves the process on the other side. Thus the final result of all this activity and drive will only further My doctrine, more and more bringing It into the right light and thus more and more prepare the transition into the millennium, where the New Jerusalem as the symbolic temple of peace will re-establish **the communion between Me, humanity and the domain of spirits**, where neither trumpet-calls nor bowls of wrath produce destructive effects, but where **even your earth-globe, the beings living upon it, including the animal- and plant worlds, take on the same type of love as man himself**.

When also you - and likewise you, My scribe - will no longer be earthly witnesses of this epoch, also you and you all will in the Beyond participate in **the general joy, where of an entire human gender, held together only by the bond of love, one person helpfully gives a lift to the other, where neither lord nor servant, but the bond of brotherly and sisterly love has chained together not only individuals, but whole nations, where territorial boundaries have disappeared, and both rulers and popes no longer work towards making dutiable the physical and spiritual forces**.

Also you, My scribe, will only there completely come to know for what purpose were your efforts in My service, for what purpose your own sufferings and those of yours served to let **this seed of love**, which I once planted and which in some individual cases off and on bore fruit, but as a whole never could breakthrough, now renewed through your hand, has become **the Newest Gospel**, which in other words and written in a style different from the one used at and after the time of My apostles, only now and in this form is more readily accessible and comprehensible.

Now that scientific education illumines manifoldly the hearts and heads of men, it is easier also on My side to point to nature surrounding you, and to your own inner self; for, though not all, at least some are then able to recognize in the wonders of nature My Voice, to feel and comprehend It.

Guided by **a rational religion** even in the most secret folds of their hearts, they will now more readily listen to the prompting of other spirits, even to My Voice and trust It. Thus **the communication with the world of spirits** has become a binding substance, which first of all bans death with all its horrors to this world and secondly presents to you the otherworld as it really is, not as most people have imagined it.

All this must and will contribute to the fact that **at the beginning of the next century (XX) a great spiritual progress will open up**, not suddenly as in all of creation, but making possible a gentle, slow going over from one stage to another.

I admitted all this in order that beside the free will of men, beside the most wrong means, which are applied by them to gain their aims, not their purposes shall be fulfilled, but Mine,

which go further and have a higher far-reaching intention, because they are calculated not for the short life-time of man, but for an eternity, where other purposes also require other means.

Here you have a spiritual far-reaching explanation of John's Apocalypse, not the way the world expects it from Me, but as I believe the world could understand it, when it has learned to read with spiritual eyes. Pictures remain pictures, and with each picture is always carried a thought which endeavors to express itself in individual forms.

In this manner, as I already said, you must take these pictures of the apocalypse, not verbally; by taking them verbally you would have no real foundation and, as I told you in the beginning, only contradictions would result.

You must also understand that in the domain of spirits an association of ideas and thoughts prevails which is different from that of you who are living here, and that therefore visions such as the ones seen by John must have a character different from your, now accepted, well organized speech.

Behold, already in earliest times, the expression of a thought was not a language of words, but rather a language of pictures; the ancient Egyptians filled even their monuments with such designs.

Still today in oriental languages there exists the usage and manner of a picture language; all these leftovers of a long forgotten time where humanity still was nearer to its original fountain, and where its manner of expression was nearer to the spiritual world - all these examples prove that after the transition into a higher life speech and communication among spirits will be different than by slow words, where you often use many to express a single thought. Even My entire creation, is it not a picture language for all of you? It will remain such until you are able to recognize the deeper-lying spiritual Why, until you recognize why this all was created thus and not otherwise.

Also I speak in pictures; do you not likewise have an inheritance from earlier times, a language of flowers? - Who gave it to you? Who had the idea to foist the meaning of human words on flowers which are something entirely different from words?

As you have this language, just as I have Mine in visible nature, so also spirits of higher regions have their language of communication, which seemingly looks quite different and sounds different from what in reality is hidden therein. Therefore it is a vain effort of your scholars to clothe pictures of a spiritual nature in worldly words. Therefore My present Words, in order to take a step forward in My housekeeping beside the explanation of a great revelation; do not think that you already have exhausted all.

It is true: **there are only two laws of love**; but how these are made use of in entire creation, how they are exploited, and how they are expressed in millions of forms, worlds and beings - of this you have not the slightest inkling. This great picture language will remain a closed book for you, since you are not able to decipher the tiniest animal or tiniest plant, what place it has in

entire creation and why it just appears upon your earth, in this form, why it is composed of these components and why it occurs at this place:

Imagine, My beloved children, the millions of worlds, the millions of beings, the millions of spiritual principles which in numberless forms make each place of this visible world a paradise, especially if the attentive observer can read the spiritual script, the pictures of the language of correspondence; imagine all this: the expansion of creation, the dimension of worlds and beyond all that is visible the other great invisible world, where all these forms re-appear spiritually in an ennobled manner; in addition imagine the millions of living beings, beginning with the animal unto the inhabitants of all these worlds, their gradations with reference to organization, be it according to their physical, or be it in their spiritual form, and think that in the domain of spirits there are likewise so many spirits, which in part have to go through life-periods upon those worlds in a human form, and in part have never been enveloped within coarse forms; in addition to all this, think of H e as their Creator, Who has arranged all things that way so that nothing is in need of a change, that one thing proceeds from the other, that everything multiplies by itself, preserves itself and goes over to higher levels as perfected creatures; imagine this Creator Who considered it worthwhile to descend upon your globe out of Love to you, all humanity and the domain of spirits, choosing there the most miserable fate that can befall man - and then judge for yourselves what it means when He, the not-to-be-named, the incomprehensible, everlasting God teach and guide you as your loving Father: Wherefore comprehend, or at least sense that there must be a Love which surpasses yours by far, a Love which can and will not forget anything nor anybody; which - although its inner Self and its Nature appears as in pictures - nevertheless wants to be understood by the thinking children, whom He created for His and their enjoyment in order that they should return the Love, which He has so lavishly put into everything.

Dear children, learn and make an effort to read and understand My great picture book; do not just turn over its leaves; it is worth more, there is more in it than you believe, more than appears to you in fleeting moments.

I will leave it for you alone to understand the peaceful pictures and will explain to you **the more severe ones** as for instance the Revelation where it seems as if only the **wrath of God** and His inexorable requital rule in order that you do not misjudge, also in these pictures, the God Who is Love only; just as in cases of accidents and affliction you should not accuse or blame Him, but in most cases yourselves. Therefore so many words, so many messages where in every instant your attention is called now to this now to that, for a time approaches where the spiritual wind, which already manifests in its movements, will blow stronger, when you should not, like reeds, bend now here now there, but where you, conscious of your own progress, should walk exactly that road which I have designed for you.

For as time now makes it unavoidable, false prophets will arise, as it is figuratively written in the Bible, nuisance will be committed with the purest doctrine, with the communication with spirits, yes, indeed with all things, so that it bears fruit for man in the satisfaction of his animal passions. **Before the kingdom of peace can approach, many a bowl of wrath will be poured**

upon humanity by the people themselves, since the parties, spiritual or material, will stand opposite each other increasingly rough the more time presses toward the conclusion. Just by this struggle the last bowls of wrath will be fulfilled, which, after all resistance will help no longer, is followed by a depression, a dejected frame of mind and howling, where some despairingly, others cheerily, will with resignation await the end and also the victory of the good cause.

Most of the Revelation has come to an end as a crisis of evolution, yet the worst is left; but be patient and put your trust in Me!

You want to become or be My children; therefore first of all show yourselves worthy of this name, and the palm of victory, as the Revelation expresses it, will not be wanting:

Be prepared for all things: **Not I, but man's animal nature, man's artificially produced unbelief, man's indomitable desire to rule and the greed for money, will also help to fulfill these bowls of wrath and trumpet-pictures:**

It is quite natural that **a process of purification** must take place before I once more descend upon your globe. As in sultry weather a thunderstorm purifies the air by forcefully throwing down all noxious exhalations, destroying many injurious insects in order that a new pure air may be wafting, even so in the spiritual process of purification: since resistance is strong, severe explosions have to follow, without which no clearing is possible.

With you people on earth each battle must come to an end, when one party acknowledges its impotence, but My omnipotence, against which every resistance is fruitless. -

Wherefore consider this explanation of **the Revelation as a picture, which presents to you all phases that one single idea of God has to go through in order to arrive at its real value!** Take these pictures as a symbol of how much it costs till the good vanquishes and the evil declares itself conquered: Being spiritual thinkers, take these pictures as corresponding intimations; for as John spiritually saw the course of Christianity, so in the life-course of each individual the same is reflected in spiritual and material development. **Such struggles, such trumpet-calls, such bowls of wrath will be emptied over ideas** - and blessed is the one who, making use even of the most bitter, nevertheless understands to extract from it what is salutary:

The spiritual process of purification and development is everywhere the same, namely, a struggle between spiritual nature and animal nature, the offering of oneself and tolerance toward others; thus everybody should examine his own life and he will find in these pictures of revelation more or less recorded **his own life story**.

He will find many a flower and many a leaf parched on the tree of sweet hopes; he will discover many a water of living truths dried up. He will see many a wicked, seducing passion ascend as a **dragon** out of the bottom of his human heart; and he will find many a childlike idea of pure love destroyed or chased away by animal passions.

The **multi-headed hydra of doubts**, crowned with formulas of excuses which endeavor to quiet one's conscience in connection with wicked or forbidden actions, etc. **Everyone could trace in his own heart all phases of the Revelation**; fortunate the one who upon this rapid torrent of human passions, carefully navigating the cliffs, has finally arrived at the haven of rest, of spiritual rest. His own consciousness will give the palm of victory also to him; his head will swell with the thought how a kind fate guided him safely through all dangers and how he can thank his God for it; finally after such long and stormy struggles a time of peace and clear consciousness has come where he arrived at the recognition of the only truth which shows him his further way and has clearly designed for him his mission in both this and the other world.

Also for him God will be nearer as Father; visible nature will no longer be a dead book of inexplicable pictures, but everywhere he will recognize the voice of his Father, which exclaims to all:

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy-laden and over-burdened and I will cause you to rest." (Matthew 11:28):

Now, My children, may this word be for you an instruction with reference to your own course of life, where My goal is to clarify for you all things in order that you may know what I want with you, and what you, My children, should want for yourselves! Prepare yourselves for all in the future:

Do not lose your trust in Me and your own strength; then, with My hand, you will emerge victoriously from every battle. Amen!

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Revelation, John Chap. 12, 1,2 and 5

Text: And a great sign appeared in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and with a crown-like garland of twelve stars on her head. She was pregnant and she cried out in her birth pangs, in the anguish. of her delivery. - And she brought forth a male Child, One Who is destined to shepherd all the nations with an iron staff, and her Child was caught up to God and to His throne.

Revelation received by Jakob Lorber on December 21, 1846.

Disclosure: But friends, how can you not understand such a clear and simple matter which so closely concerns you all and is already so clearly unfolded before your eyes: Where do you have your spirit, where your mind? Whereto is it directed? It might be quite sensible for somebody to ask at night "Where is the sun?" But to enquire during daylight where the sun might be,

would that not be blind or eagerly to close one's eyes and with the position of the sun to play what you call "blind mouse"?

What then is the "woman," which appears in heaven clothed with the sun? The "woman" is the noble picture of a human being without the strength to bring forth, but nevertheless receptive and able to do so. Accordingly this woman is a perfect image of man, hence no scuffled picture, no "off-measure" of man.

Likewise is also My doctrine which, of course, appears in the most perfect heaven, because it is within Me and proceeds from Me; it is, like the woman, a most perfect symmetry for the spiritual man, yet by Itself not capable of bringing forth. But by My doctrine man becomes receptive for all good which is love, that is, pure, heavenly divine love which is the everlasting spiritual life out of Me, the "Child", with which My doctrine becomes fertile in the heart of man.

I speak• only of my pure doctrine as of a perfect heavenly woman, not of a false doctrine and a monkey woman. It is quite natural that this perfect woman, or My pure doctrine, is surely clothed with the sun or with My Light of all light, because it comes out of Me!

Because this most perfect, heavenly woman, or My purest doctrine, is capable of receiving only heavenly love out of He, she tramples upon the moon as the unsteady symbol of self-love or worldly love - in order to speak to you somewhat scholarly - a polarity which is totally opposed to her heavenly nature; thus she is also adorned with twelve "stars", that is, the ten commandments of Moses, and uppermost the two commandments of Christian love, not with the twelve apostles or with the twelve tribes of Israel, but -as already said - adorned with all twelve laws of everlasting life.

The woman, or the active doctrine out of Me within man, becomes, and already is, pregnant. With what? Have you never heard of rebirth? Does it not say: "What is not born out of the spirit cannot enter into the Kingdom of God!"?

Behold, the Child, with which the woman is pregnant, is the Pure Divine Love, which causes outer man great pain because of the manifold self-denials, until this heavenly love within man's spirit becomes mature for glorious rebirth into everlasting life.

You must not imagine that mere doctrine as the designated woman would become pregnant - no - only live active doctrine, taken up within the belief of man, is the designated pregnant woman, from which love to God is born as a new child, and this is rebirth into everlasting life. But the Child is male! Why not female, a woman to develop further? - Because in this love, as in man not in woman, lies and must lie the creative power of bringing forth.

This Child, or the love to God (that is divine Love) born out of My doctrine within man's spirit, will then with an iron scepter or with the most unyielding power of God subdue all nations, or all demands and sensuous passions of the world, and will thereby, out of Me, draw the spirit of man and all his inclinations to Me, and will have his happiness at My throne, which is the true Wisdom out of Me everlastingly!

Behold, this is the most easily conceivable meaning of these verses; all things must thus be considered and understood in this only, true light, otherwise it is a twilight that in the course of time will mislead every guide into dark swamps and morasses.

This should be well understood and taken care of.

Amen.

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Revelation, John Chapter 13, 15-18

Text: And he was permitted also to impart the breath of life into the beast's image so that the statue of the beast could actually talk, and to cause to be put to death those who would not bow down and worship the image of the beast. (Dan. 3:5.) Also he compels all (alike), both small and great, both the rich and the poor, both free and slave to *be* marked with an inscription (stamped) on their right hands or on their foreheads. So that no one will have power to buy or sell unless he bears the stamp (mark, inscription), that is, the name of the beast or the number of his name. Here is (room for) discernment - a call for the wisdom (of interpretation); let anyone who has intelligence (penetration and insight enough) calculate the number of the beast, for it is a human number - the number of a certain man; his number is six hundred and sixty six.

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In My name go ahead and write, I know what you are lacking; your prolonged eyes do not suffice for reaching far-distant things in order to see them; in case of semi-distant objects you only see the one-sided bark; but of the very near ones you do not see anything, as they are too close and therefore offer less interest. These verses of the Revelation are however within easy reach, yet you cannot grasp them: Indeed, the simpler a thing, the more stupid you behave; next time ask for that which seems easiest to understand. Verily, then you certainly will become more humble than by these super-easily understandable four verses, - therefore hearken:

In the beginning this chapter speaks of **three beasts**: Firstly **the principal dragon**, secondly the **beast that arises from the sea with seven ten-horned heads**, and thirdly **a lamblike animal with two horns on its head**.

You already know who the **principal dragon** is after I have told you so often and especially in the "Twelve Hours" of My arch-enemy:

But if you wish to recognize **the second beast**, look at your own, so near, **self love**, and you will find confirmed all its attributes. It comes up from the sea of all selfish desires, having **seven heads, that is, for each commandment of neighborly love an individual head with ten horns**, by which in the case of each head, so to speak, all the commandments are contravened. A

wounded head is the punishable theft or robbery; and does this injure the beast in any way? Oh no, for, this wounded head is, indeed, completely healed by all **the political state- and trade-laws**; thus the whole world is living under such laws and acting accordingly; thereby the whole world is daily mocking the lamb and its commandments.

The third beast comes up out of the earth, looks like a **lamb, but has 2 horns**. What is this?

I tell you, it is the one nearest to you: it is your **industry** which greatly supports and finally even idolizes the beast from the water and with its two horns directly contravenes the ten commandments of love: A glance at **America** and **England** proves that it is so:

To what an extent, however, this third beast is such industry, is shown for instance by the most cruel maltreatment of children in English and American factories, where children must work from 5 o'clock in the morning to about 9 o'clock in the evening, constantly standing, almost half-naked, often beginning already with their eighth year of life [*situation in the mid- 1800s, editor*]. Only once in the day they are given some poor-quality bread to eat and get no more than 15 minutes of rest at noon; each minute above is punished by terrible lashes with the whip. Beyond their destination as individual slaves they do not receive any education. If only you could really see with Me and through Me the nature of industry, you would say: "O Father, that is indeed the Dragon himself!"

Does not the second beast exercise all power of the first beast, whose head-wound was healed? Does it not cause that the former, wounded beast is fully worshipped by almost all principal inhabitants of the earth? Do they not everywhere speak of adored kings, princes and other industrial founders and inventors? Are not monuments erected in their honor in the whole world? Does it not perform the greatest signs and make fire fall from heaven? That is, it teaches quite reasonably before the blind people, as if such diligence were the actual nature of all religion - the most dignified veneration of God, perhaps even the best adoration? Is that not pure robbery of the fire from heaven to make people believe that I may be venerated also through horror? This will continue yet for a short while:

Behold, **the seduction of earth's inhabitants, the beast's statue with the sword-wound of all political justice**, is now completely alive: People were forced even with their blood to erect this statue; now it glitters, speaks and commands, kills and is adored by all worms and greenhorns, who on account of this are being given the title of **scholars** and **journalists**; they are adored still by a numberless host of blowflies, who want to have something of everything without working in order to gain thereby.

But now, should anybody dare *not* to adore this beast, he will soon find out what worldly hour has struck for him!

This, however, is the spirit within the beast's statue, that self-love and avarice with all the great of the world have reached their highest zenith, which is the full number 666, since self-love is equal to 600, the robbed fire from heaven 60 - that is the divine commandment applied

selfishly: - and finally only 6 to neighborly love, which means the most complete slavery: Instead of giving for one hundred, one demands for one hundred:

Behold now and comprehend **the mark of the right hand and the forehead** among great and small, rich and poor, free and slaves! Is it not **the desire to rule by either power or worldly reason**? Tell Me whether one can achieve anything without this mark? Without this mark what is one person to the other? I tell you, if anybody among you has daughters, would he gladly give them to an "unmarked" person, or will they ask for an "unmarked one"? -Therefore, can anybody still procure worldly happiness, without having a mark, or having received an office by the beast?

You, yourselves, are "marked" - with the exception of My scribe, whom I have kept unmarked until now with great effort. I tell you however, if I permitted him to ask for one of your daughters, would you not look at him strangely and advise him politely to desist there from, since it would not be profitable, because he is not "marked" ?

If you did such a thing with one whom I have made into your light during the night of nights, what would you do, if another unmarked person dared to demand such a thing from you? - I tell you, you would wall your daughters in alive, that is you would send them to a convent:

I think, the mark will now be sufficiently clear to you. Who is able to buy and sell now without this mark?

But the 42 months will soon come to an end, since the commandments of neighborly love have already been applied 5 times 7 times to self love; yet I tell you, endeavor to annihilate the mark through the fire of My Love, and you will attain true, inner life: Since **this mark burns every one out into the world**, it is therefore just now so difficult to attain inner life out of Me and within Me; wherefore permit that **I burn you back from the world of the beast through My Love**; then you will find life, now and forever! Amen, amen, amen! "

The Sign of the Son of Man

Taken from the book "Gifts of Heaven" dictated by the Lord to Jakob Lorber

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Anselm Hüttenbrenner (a friend of Jakob Lorber, and composer) asked for an explanation of Matthew 24, 30:

"Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth[c] will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. " (Matthew 24,30)

The Lord stated the following through His scribe Jakob Lorber:

“Don’t you know the difference between the “Sign” and the “Son of Man”? And don’t you know what one has to understand under “heaven”?

Really, you could not think of something more foolish than to see a crucifix in the starry sky. Just ask yourselves, what would be the benefit for the world if not only one but a whole legion of crucifixes could be seen in the sky. Would people improve in their hearts? – Certainly not!

Wouldn’t soon scientists come forth and claim that all these crucifixes were the result of priestly deceit? And wouldn’t they want to prove that all those floating crucifixes are of simple aerostatic origin arranged by a number of Jesuit councils?

Behold, such a phenomenon would create exactly this result and many more! Yes, some mathematically adept scientists would try to explain those appearances in an optical way.

But what would the man in the street say to that? – I tell you, he would fall silent of excessive fear. Because he would be sure that, based on the wrongly grafted teaching, Judgment day is imminent.

And so such an appearance would first kill the scientists because they killed them by their assessment and explanation beforehand; the simple man, however, would be killed in relation to his permanently active freedom the moment such a phenomenon appears. That would be the benefit of such an appearance. That things would take this turn you can deduct if you look attentively to those times where certain would be prophets predicted several ends of the world. How people partly despaired, partly laughed, partly feasted excessively or wallowed in to other pleasures (the same would happen again now). But when even such empty prophesies were able to cause such evil consequences, what would be the result of a gigantic cross floating among the stars? I need not elaborate for you about the deadly success.

Now “heaven” means the true belief of the word which is the “Church” in its genuineness.

The sign of the Son of Man, however, is **the again newly awakened love in this Church**, with all its attributes like mercy, patience, gentleness, humility, acquiescence, obedience and acceptance of all afflictions of the cross. Behold, this living sign of the son of man will appear in **the sky of the inner eternal life** and will not kill but exceedingly enliven.

At such an occasion the “tribes of the earth addicted to the world” will howl, moan and lament as all their hellish deception consisting of the uncountable products for sale and for purchase will not be wanted anymore. The reason is **the people of My sign will have little to do with the world dreamers, the traders and the money changers**.

These will turn their eyes only where they will see the **“Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with great power and glory”** – which is **the living Word in the heart of man or My eternal love in its fullness** which therefore is of “great power and glory”. And the “clouds of

heaven” is the endless Wisdom Itself in this living Word. See, this is the brief understanding of this gospel text!

The “clouds” themselves, however, will receive you in the beyond in My kingdom and will be forever your home. That means that only there will you visibly recognize with great bliss the great power and glory of the Son of Man in all fullness.”

(Gifts of Heaven 1, pg 337, or HiG.01_41.05.01.a,01)

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“Watch however, primarily for **My arrival within you** and worry less about the general one. Tell Me within your hearts in prayer for which you care in general. Don’t bother about the rest. Because the great When, How and Why lies safely in the best of hands! This I am telling you, your great, holy and most loving Father.” (Gifts of Heaven 1, pg 319,16 or HiG.01_41.03.25.b,16)

Explanation of Isaiah chapter 3 – End Times Revelation

The situation of an organized community

“ALSO in this following chapter the prophecy is for now and for the coming times of which I have spoken.

[2] The first verse of the prophet has a deep meaning and goes like this: ‘*Look, the Lord, Lord Zebaoth will take away out of Jerusalem all kinds of provisions, and also out of the whole of Judah the total provision of bread and the whole provision of water*’. (Isaiah 3:1).

[3] Here, by **Jerusalem** must be understood the present-day Jewry, just as it is now and already has been for a long time. By **Judah** must be understood the future generations that then, by accepting My teaching, will be counted to the tribe of Judah. **Because of their laziness they will undergo the same fate in a much greater measure as now the Jews in a smaller measure.**

[4] By the **taking away of the provision of bread** you must understand the taking away of love and mercy, and by the **taking away of the provision of water**, the taking away of the true wisdom out of God. And the result thereof will be that all of them will come on a wrong track, and their soul will be in darkness, and nobody will be able to give counsel to another. And even if somebody would give counsel to another, then the one who needed counsel and light will still not trust him and say: ‘What are you talking to me about the light while you yourself are in the same darkness as I am.’ The fact that the people will then by their own fault – because of their laziness – become totally

without help, is accurately described by the prophet with the following words:

[5] ‘*Thus will be taken away the strong ones and warriors, judges, prophets, fortunetellers and elders (Isaiah 3:2), counselors and wise workers, and eloquent orators, and headmen over 50, and also honest people (3:3).*’

[6] I am mentioning here on purpose the headmen and the honest people as last instead of in the beginning of the third verse, and I have My reason for this. Listen now to the explanation.

[7] Who are the strong ones and the warriors? These are such people like once David was, full of faith and trust in Me, and the warriors are those people who consent to be totally inspired by faith and trust in the One, to always conquer all the enemies of what is good and true from God – even if they are so many.

[8] When there will be a complete lack of living water out of the Heavens, and all flesh, together with its soul, are in the thickest of darkness, who will then deal with the people as a true and righteous judge? Who will have the gift of prophecy? And even if someone still possesses it for himself, who will then, without inner understanding believe that it is true? Who will be able to prophesy for the blind and deaf? And who will be chosen by dark mankind as a true elder because of his outstanding wisdom in order to make him their shepherd? Now, understand this well.

[9] **The one from whom – spiritually speaking – has been taken away bread and water, has lost by that everything, because the one who has been punished and chastised by God with spiritual blindness, has been punished and chastised the most severely.** Because by that he has lost everything, and he is completely in despair and helpless. This is then also the ultimate means by which **the laziness of the people that took a too great dominion, and all their vices can be fought against in the best way.**

[10] The fact that the people will be in the greatest misery by the taking away of the spiritual bread and water, and by that, the things that still will be taken away from them, the prophet explains further in the third verse, where he explicitly says: *'By that, the people will have to miss the **counselors**'* or those who give counsel, *'and **wise workers**'* in all branches of human necessities, thus also intelligent speakers, who otherwise would have accomplished a lot of good with their wisdom.

[11] However, the worst of all that, is the taking away of the, say, **50 headmen** which is taking place at the same time. Who are the 50 and what has the figure 50 to do with it? This we will perceive right away.

[12] If we imagine a big and completely organized community of people, then since ancient times it has – if it wants to be well taken care of in everything – in total **50 main regions where it has to provide in their necessities of life. Whatever is above that, stands already for pride, and everything that is less stands for weakness, need and poverty.** However, in order to provide efficiently and to take care of each separate branch of these life necessities there must also be a clever captain as foreman and leader in charge, who from A to Z must be well acquainted with everything that is necessary in the whole system. If such a one is not present and someone incompetent stands in his place, then the whole branch of life necessities will soon carry bad or even no more fruits at all for the community.

[13] **How then will a big community be able to stand if by its laziness and negligence finally has lost all of the 50 headmen?** I tell you: **in the same manner as the community of Jews nowadays, where only certain thieves and robbers are still possessing something and who fatten and enrich themselves at the expense of the poor, but where thousands are helplessly pining away in the deepest of poverty. Because where is the wise captain who would take care of them and who would give them in one way or another a certain job and bread?** Look, in a lot of areas a head is missing, and so also all the other things are not present. **There are still certain headmen to direct different areas, but this they are not doing for the people but for oneself, and therefore they are only thieves and robbers and no real headmen** like at the time of My judges.

[14] Now you have seen how the outer and inner well being of the people of a big community depends on the head leaders in the different areas of life necessities. But on who then depends in the first place

the right organization of the named head leaders in a big community of people, in a country that is governed by a prince or king? Look, it only depends on a wise king.

[15] But then, what does our prophet say? What will the Lord do further on with the lazy, god-forsaken communities?

[16] Listen, his words are as follows: *'I, says the Lord, will give them young men to be their princes, and silly men will rule over them. (Isaiah 3:4). And among the people one will suck out the other. Everyone, even his neighbor, and the young one will exalt himself above the elder and a worthless, dishonest man above an honest one.'* (Isaiah 3:5).

[17] The words of the prophet are here of itself so clear and plain that they do not need another explanation. I can only show you the great and clear visible very bad results, although these also can easily be discovered by itself. **Once all life-conditions will come into the greatest disorder by such confusion, and when, because of the need, all the people of the community will become very discontented, then also will arise one merciless rebellion after another. The people will awaken and stand up, and are chasing away the princes and selfish headmen, or even strangle them.** And this is what is meant when one says: *'One nation wars against another'*.

[18] Thanks to his lazy nature, man permits any pressure as long as he, in his blindness, can still fill his stomach, no matter with what kind of meager food, but once also this is ceasing and he is facing only starvation, then he wakes up and turns into a starved enraged hyena. And it must come to that point, so that mankind will wake up." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 17, chap. 94)

The downfall of the false religious systems. Explained from Isaiah 3:6-27

"BUT then everything is destroyed and thrown down. Whosoever can be falsely accused that he also – by his own merciless selfishness – has contributed to the general misfortune of the nations, will unfortunately fall victim to the revenge of the common people. But then what? Then the people have no leader at all, not a good one nor a bad one. They are in total anarchy, where ultimately everybody can do what he wants. However, another one, who is stronger, can also punish him at his heart's desire.

[2] Then the wise men come together and say: 'This cannot be, it cannot continue like that. We, who are wiser and mightier men will work together and bring the people to vote for a wise chief. And it will be an exalted house that will accommodate two brothers with much recognition and experience.' What will happen next? The prophet will tell us precisely. And what does the prophet say?

[3] Listen. He says: *'Then one brother will grab the other out of his brothers' house and will say: 'You have **clothes** (knowledge and experience), be you our ruler and help us during this downfall.'* (Isaiah 3:6). But then he will say and swear: *'Listen, I am no doctor, and there is no **bread** (the goodness of faith) or **clothing** (true faith) in my house. Therefore, do not make me a ruler of the people.'* (Verse 7). *Because Jerusalem is ripe and falls down, and **Judah** (the later time) is also fallen. Because their language and their deeds are against the Lord, because they oppose **the eyes of His majesty** (the light of His wisdom).* (Verse 8). **That is visible and known to everybody. Their nature is not hidden because they are boasting about their sin, just like in Sodom and Gomorrah, and they are brutal and they do not even hide.** Woe unto their souls! Because with that, they have thrown themselves completely into their ruin.' (Verse 9).

[4] But the chosen Prince – who could also possibly be I Myself – says further: *‘Go and preach first to the righteous, so that they may become good, then they will eat the fruit of their works.* (Verse 10). However, woe unto the lazy and ungodly, because they are wicked at all times, and unto them will be rewarded according to their works and as they have deserved it! (Verse 11). Listen, for this reason, children are the princes of My people, and even women are ruling over them. My people, your (wrong) comforters are misleading you (think about Rome) and are destroying the way that you have to go. (Verse 12).

[5] But the Lord stands there to pronounce justice and has now come up to judge the people. (Verse 13). And the Lord comes to administer justice with **the elders of His people** (the Scriptures) and with **His princes** (those who, in the last time, have been awakened for life). For **you** (Pharisees and Romans) have destroyed the vineyard, and what has been robbed from the poor is in your house. (Verse 14).

[6] Why do you trample down My people, and why do you mistreat all those who are miserable? Thus speaks the Lord now with great seriousness. (Verse 15).

[7] And the Lord continues to speak: Because **the daughters of Zion** are proud (the false teaching of the whore of Babel) and walk with a stretched-out neck and a face with make-up, walking proudly (haughty), wag the tail (like a hungry dog), wearing at their feet expensive shoes (verse 16), the Lord will shave the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion to **baldness** (take away the reasoning), and with that, He will take away their only and best jewel. (Verse 17).

[8] In that time the Lord will take away **the jewelry of their expensive shoes** (those who believe blindly), and the **ribbons** (faithful followers), and the **buckles** (the different assemblies) (verse 18), the **chains, the bracelets and the caps** (the superstitious craft-guilds) (verse 19), **the tinsels, the ornamental borders, all golden strings, musk, earrings** (verse 20), **rings and hair ribbons** (verse 21), **feast clothes, coats, veils and the (big) purses** (verse 22), **mirrors, capes, laces and the blouses** (all of the glittering ceremony of the whore of Babel). (Verse 23). Then **the sweet smell** will become a stench, the **good girdle** a loose string, curled hair (serpent-like cunning of the whore of Babel) a baldhead, and her **wide coat** will become a narrow sack. And all this will come instead of the presumed beauty.

[9] **Your mob will fall by the sword, and your warriors will fall in battle.** (Verse 25). And her gates will weep and lament (because nobody wants to go inside anymore), and she will sit pitifully upon the ground. (Verse 26). Then, in that time, **men will be so few that 7 women will take hold of 1 man** (or out of the 7 sacraments there will be only 1) and they will say: *We will feed and clothe ourselves, but let us carry your name, so that our dishonor will be taken away from us.* (Verse 27).

[10] And look, My friends. What the prophet has said, will certainly be fulfilled, as sure and true as I have told you now Myself. **Because the people cannot bear the truth for a longer time, become tired and always sink back again into their old judgment and death-bringing laziness. And then there is truly nothing else that can be done but, through the most extreme ways, awaken the people again and of old, bring them once more upon the ways and mountain paths of light and life.**

[11] Therefore, I am saying to you once more: **above all, warn the people against spiritual laziness, for with this will start all evil things of which the prophet has spoken, and I must unfortunately permit them.** Think about it, then we will talk about it again in the inn. And now we soon will also go to that place, because we still will have a lot of things to do this night.” (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 17, chap. 95)