

MESSAGES
FOR
ANIMAL LOVERS



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UTILITY OF GOD'S CREATURES

4.17 If you wanted to learn all of the services, I would have to dictate to you for several years. And, of this one thing, you can be sure - EVERYTHING THAT EXISTS, INCLUDING THE FLY, IS THERE NOT FOR ONE, BUT FOR A THOUSAND GOOD PURPOSES. [...]

6.12 Therefore, do not marvel too much over these few points, which I have revealed to you! Whoever wants to go in the right direction, let him consider this, that WITH ME EVERY, EVER-SO-SEEMINGLY INSIGNIFICANT, THING HAS AN ENDLESS WORTH! [...]

6.28 If I arrange it so that even the smallest and most insignificant creation has a very important purpose, and prescribe the fly a usefulness in all its seemingly insignificant functions, - how much more would I provide for man, who is not only My creation, but truly a CHILD OF MY LOVE, or at least should become one, which means that he should recognize that I am a Father to him, not simply a Creator, as I am to the stones and clumps of earth.

6.29 Yes, even a marginally devout childlike heart has to say that I give Fatherly care to the silent grass in the field, - and such is true, yes, very true, for only the Father gives food and drink to all things whatever food and drink they may require. But, if I give Fatherly care to the dumb things in this manner, how much more Fatherly care will I give to those beings who came forth as CHILDREN OF MY LOVE, truly in MY IMAGE?!

6.30 Mark this well! It is surely worth the effort to observe My Fatherly care in all minute things, so that it might become clear to the doubter, that I am not an all-consuming, unfathomable Powergod, but am solely and alone a true Father to all My dear children and that I am not a

wasteful Father, but an exceedingly economical One, who even puts the dung of the fly to the best use for His children.

6.31 Yes, I tell you, there are still countless other and more insignificant things, and still I don't let even the minutest thing perish! And since I AM, THEREFORE, NOT THE ALL-CONSUMING GOD, BUT A FATHER PRESERVING THE SMALLEST THINGS, AND ALSO AN EXCEEDINGLY FAITHFUL ECONOMIST FOR MY CHILDREN, - how great must be the blindness of a man who wants to contest My constant, all-encompassing Fatherly care for My children?!

6.32 OH, MY DEAR CHILDREN! DO BELIEVE ME! I AM OCCUPIED DAY AND NIGHT CARING EVEN FOR THE GROWTH OF EVERY HAIR ON YOUR BODY, WHICH WILL SOON PERISH TOGETHER WITH YOUR BODY; THEN HOW MUCH MORE WILL I CARE FOR YOUR IMMORTAL SOULS AND YOUR ETERNAL SPIRIT OUT OF ME?! (The Fly)

About the qualities of the animal soul

The soul of the animal, beginning with the most primitive mollusks and infusorians up to the apes – the animals that resemble you where your form, but only your form, not your soul is concerned – all have the urge for perfection. To a certain degree they have this quality to let them be perfected and are able to achieve this, particularly the closer they are to man and the more they are in touch with him.

They refine their intelligence more and more and after their demise approach their destiny at a faster pace than souls which are more remote from man, as for instance the animals living in the depths of the oceans and lakes and in the densest forests and wilderness areas. Instead of feeling an urge to approach man, they are his greatest enemies who, instead of basking in the sun to warm them near him, are even after his blood.

MOST OTHER ANIMAL SOULS ARE ENDOWED WITH ENOUGH INTELLIGENCE TO APPROACH YOU HUMAN BEINGS AND IF YOU KNEW HOW MUCH LOVE AND DEVOTION OFTEN LIES IN AN ANIMAL SOUL NESTLING AGAINST YOU, WHICH WOULD FEEL HAPPY IF A HIGHER HUMAN SPIRIT WOULD CONCERN HIMSELF WITH IT, YOU WOULD CERTAINLY BE AMAZED AT THE QUALITIES PRESENT IN SUCH AN ANIMAL, WHICH WOULD SHAME MANY A MAN AND FORCE HIM INTO HUMBLY ABANDONING HIS PROUD NOTION OF BEING THE RULER OF ALL THAT WAS CREATED.

This entire soul-realm with its millions upon millions of gradations is like the end of adolescence which pushes towards the MATURITY OF MAN OR THE MALE CHARACTER, there to find its full stop on all the earths in the ultimately created, but already with purely spiritual capabilities and qualifies endowed man, as the image of an all-embracing eternal God. (Secrets of life, chap. 9)

The proper compassion and the proper mercy

"Whoever is capable of watching with indifference a man or also an animal die has not much love dwelling in his heart, for where is a true and alive love, there is also the proper compassion and the proper mercy." P 292 (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN VII 94:12)

The truth about the animal world and the cruelty of humanity towards it

"If you could see the spiritual world with spiritual eyes, you would shrink back in horror before many an action, for you people, who fancy yourselves as rational, commit so many cruelties another, lower being must suffer in silence because it was not endowed with a language to express joy and sorrow through sounds.

Look at the eternal battle of the elements with the hard rock, at the life of the plants and the life of the animals, which also carry spiritual sparks within. They all must battle, must suffer, and superficial man alone has no right to complain that this earthly life is a life of deception and illusion, arid that it is often not worth the effort to live just for the sake of suffering!

The animal world, so trampled upon by you, often suffers far more than you. It often suffers not merely through laws of nature, which, for the sake of the animals" progress, has also woven suffering and conflicts into their short lives, but it suffers mostly innocently through that which man inflicts upon it, and which far surpasses in heartlessness your slavery and other despotism which you are trying to abolish everywhere!

Apart from its own enemies, through which it is elevated unto a higher level, where it serves the latter as food, the animal was also endowed with attributes that are essential for the reproduction and continuance of a species. These are the maternal instinct, the love for their young and the love for their natural and artificial abode, a love which in animals is demanded by nature and which in you human beings should be implied through your ethical status, but has now almost dropped to zero, where many a dumb animal could put man to shame, who is so proud of his intellect.

And look, it is this love, which, as a divine spark originating from Me, appeases the animal towards its immediate environment, sending a light-beam of joy, of well-being into the little animal soul, so that it does not only follow the urge to feed and of self-preservation but knows also a higher spiritual pleasure, which does not bind to matter, but binds spirit to spirit.

Whenever an animal's brood, its habitation is destroyed, watch its fear, its pain, its restless running about; watch it and be ashamed because you yourselves so often mercilessly commit such an act of cruelty, fancying to be "the lords of the worlds".

If I allow such things, not punishing them as they deserve, it is because these sufferings, harsh and bitter as they are for the dumb creature, must nevertheless help in the strengthening of its soul- and spirit-life.

Also the animal does not lie on a bed of roses!

Of course, this does not give you the right to torment the animal, but you, being the stronger, shall protect the weaker and not, exploiting their weakness, waste your time with senseless killing during hunts and with forced feeding, fattening up, etc., for the enjoyment of your palate tormenting an innocent being, whose life, since you did not give it to the animal, you have no right to take.

You human beings should remember that I did not create the world as you have it now before your eyes. By no means. In the early times man lived in harmony with the animal world. The animal did not see its enemy in man, nor did man have to fear the animal. But now that people have corrupted the trust to mistrust also towards the animal, they have to bear the consequences of such conduct.

The once existing Paradise consisted in the unity of the entire created world, as an everlasting prayer of thanks to Me. And it was only man himself, who planted in it the discord of self-seeking, hatred and vengefulness, so that he is no longer the lord of the world, but the world has become his lord!

The dangers threatening it, the task of protecting its own life and that of its family, are sufficient as a school to awaken the animal kingdom from a death-like repose. You human beings need not have added other cruelties to My vital laws to even more hurt and torment the animal, which anyway is obviously far beneath you in its life-sphere.

However, although this mute suffering and torment of the animal world is of advantage to their spiritual progress, on the other hand your very conduct, your cruelty and excessive appetite are the greatest and foremost reason why you human beings, who want to be the lords of the world, are in a thousand cases far below the animal world. Besides, by imbibing a great number of elements unsuitable for your organism, you shorten your life span and invite illnesses and ailments totally unknown to the so despised animal which, as a triumph of your supremacy, leaves them all to you so that you, through errors brought about by your own fault, must again expiate for the cruelties you have so wantonly inflicted on all those beneath you.

Take for example all these animals which are useful to you, which work for you or which, as a necessary food, you deem essential for your own existence, what heartless conduct distinguishes there the lord of the earth!

How he rewards the readiness to serve of those animals with whom he associates only because, without them, he could achieve nothing or very little!

Look at the horse, the ox, the sheep, etc. What a sad fate does the former suffer, how it often suffers silently under the maltreatment inflicted by a brutal hand as a reward for lending all the strength at its disposal!

Where is in this case the morality of man? Where is there a similar cruelty in human life? It does not even exist among animals!

The ox pulling your plough, helping you for bread and food, willingly pulling your loads, what is its reward? Scanty feed, finally to be eaten by you!

You call the eaters of human flesh cannibals. How much better are you, civilized inhabitants of towns and villages?

How do you treat the other animals you have chosen for your food, and at that not for the necessary food, but rather for an artificial tickling of the palate?

How heartlessly you proceed at their feeding, how heartlessly at their sale!

Deaf are your ears to the cry of fear uttered by a tormented animal. Thinking only of your desire for food and gain, you forget that the animal also feels pain, that it was created by Me for a purpose other than that for which you are using it.

So you see, the great school of suffering, which once I Myself endured on your earth in order to set an example, is symbolic, in keeping with the generic level of the created beings, inter-woven in their lives. And when I patiently watch how all this is happening, how thousands of animals long before the time decreed by Me are removed from the earthly life, the reason behind it is that from all the aberrations of the human race I can still make a spiritual gain for the sake of My less gifted beings and the punishment or the reward rebounds only upon you yourselves and also you, as human beings, experience what you have prepared for the innocent animals. Thus you have prepared for yourselves a world full of suffering and conflicts, full of desires and deprivations, and this, of course, is exactly the wrong thing or the opposite of that which you have hoped for and striven to attain.

So the thread is weaving throughout My entire creation, showing to all created beings through suffering, conflicts, deprivations and attainment the spiritual path on which alone spiritual life and spiritual progress can be secured.

The bound spirit seeks repose in the solidified matter, as bliss. The animal kingdom seeks repose and a quiet pursuit of its instinct of preservation and the lord of the earth, man, seeks repose and quiet comfort in his animal-physical gratification.

But a sublime, great law of the spirit-world, which would compare repose only with death and non-existence, keeps disturbing this repose, continually urging to fight, to oppose alien invaders. This striving is the spiritual life which forces the spirit-particles of Myself, placed by Me throughout the entire creation, toward a change of heart, a betterment of their existence, toward perfection.

As I once said to Adam: "You shall gain your bread by the sweat of your brow", which means to say: "You did not understand the meaning of repose as I wanted to give it to you, and have tried to use it for the death of your spiritual Self, instead of for life. This repose shall now be taken from you lest your spiritual Self wither among the chaos of animal passions, and only by battling and suffering shall you attain that which, freely offered you by My hand, you scorned and misunderstood."

And as the world, as it is now, likewise can only lead to something better way of the school of suffering also for you human beings, the latter thus became a necessity. And so it was and is also with the animal kingdom an individual period of life which, depending on the circumstances, imposed on the other more to endure and to suffer, thus enabling it to reach a higher spiritual level.

As for the excesses and cruelties of the human race against the animal this kept pace with the decline of man's own spiritual dignity, bringing mankind spiritually and physically to a stage that will also soon be approaching its end. Then the human spiritual dignity will soon again occupy its proper position, which man will actively exercise not only towards his fellowman but also towards everything inferior to him. Then the earth will again be peopled with spiritual human beings towards whom the animals will be inclined in a less hostile manner, so that man will recognize the former lost Paradise in the unity of all living beings as the great spiritual school of life. Everything is striving towards it. The regenerating spiritual wind comes from all directions. Mankind, at least the majority of them, cannot interpret it, but some of them, and particularly you, whom I have under My protection, shall learn what spiritual life means. Then you will recognize the signs where everything points to the transformation of human society, including the animal and plant kingdom surrounding it, into what it once was, namely, a garden for My children, a dwelling-place for My created beings. All of them, created according to one love-law, were also brought up and educated according to the same one law to ultimately return to Me with high interest everything I had sent out, so that I, replenishing My spirit-realm out of matter, can receive back even the latter spiritualized. Thus a world of spirits will be surrounding Me, which, worthy of Me and in conformity with its own life-task, strives for the goal by means of which the smallest spirit bound in solid matter, as well as the angel nearest to Me, will grasp their own destiny and learn to recognize and love Me, recognizing in everything, even though material, only a pre-school or probation-school, and how beings, created by One God, can become His children.

Therefore, you too should endeavor to recognize and spiritually grasp the significance of the spiritual life, which was set as a goal to the smallest worm as well as to you, as human and divine images. Learn to recognize your human dignity, how you shall behave towards the seemingly lifeless but also living being beneath you, so that you as spiritual beings, remembering your origin, may always act as such. For the nobility of the soul does not manifest when man acts properly only where political or family laws demand of him to act nobly, but where, even though man is cruel, no existing law punishes him, except for his own conscience. Only where man has no other judge than his free will, with which alone he is standing before his God and Creator, spontaneously, driven by sublime inner love, to enact mercy also towards the least animal or being in which life can be surmised: also there to act generously is edifying and rewarding. Not the fact that you did not trample on a worm, but the awareness that you, obeying higher laws of life, mastered your passions, is what elevates you above the masses, so that through the practicing of love and mercy

it will become second nature to you not to deny to your fellowman what you granted to a weak, dependent animal.

What is it that makes Me the great God, the great Creator? Perhaps My might? My omnipotence? No, I am only truly great because I, as a loving Father, lead also the minutest infusorian along its path with the same love and patience with which I set the path for the highest angel spirit, never letting anything created by Me feel My might, but always only My love, My grace and My patience.

This makes Me great before you thinking beings, makes Me the loving Father, whom you can implore ardently; but not My omnipotence, before the stern judge's glance of which you, being sinners, would have to hide!

Become like Me, forgive where you want to pay back, forgive where you want to punish, and forget where, out of love, you do not want to remind of the wrong!

Thus rise as free beings above the bustle of the masses. Regard the world with spiritual eyes and do not add suffering to the necessary conflicts, which I laid into the life span of the innocent animal in order that also the smallest, but bound, spirit may be practiced, strengthened and consolidated in its spiritual strength, so that on a higher level it may find its path easily.

Thus your own life's course shall become a chain of unseen benefactions, which you bestow on animal or man because, remembering My own example, you want first of all to preserve the nobility of your own heart and then, as children of a God, act divinely wherever there is a chance.

In this way, you further spiritual life generally and individually, in another's and in your own heart. The realization of such deeds, which are based on merciful love and patience, imparts this tranquility, which I Myself as a Man had even on the cross, so that I could exclaim: "Forgive them, o Lord, for they know not what they are doing".

The extent of divine self-awareness, which then made Me exclaim thus, may show you in its whole profundity the moral height of a human being who, in the midst of misfortune and suffering, can still implore for forgiveness, instead of wanting revenge.

Do grasp this spiritual life! Practice it on a small scale, and it will exalt you and give you bliss. For the way I, as man, with My divine might treated My fellowmen, you shall treat your environment, even the last living being. In other words, you shall be zealous protectors of the weak and defenders of the suffering!"

(Secrets of life, chap. 24 - **Life in the Light of Love**)

ANIMAL'S SOULS AND SPERE OF LIFE

[4] I said: "This is what the people came to believe from experience, but crane birds or not it is obvious that at the end of the autumn after which winter will inevitably follow, the weather will also change sooner or later. But this year the weather will remain as it is now for a little longer.

[5] This time the crane birds that circle above us are no prophets for a change of weather, but their souls also become aware in whose nearness they are. They now give Him some kind of honor and in a certain way they give Him morning greetings because they are aware that He is also their Creator.

[6] Look, a dog who knows his master very well and who is very fond of him is also aware that he is near his master, runs to him and shows through all kinds of jumps, facial expressions and affections that he loves his master and knows him well. But he does not run to a foreigner, and when someone comes near his master he is furiously attacked, and he follows no one else's voice but only the voice of his master. But who tells the dog that such person is his master and no one else?

[7] Look, My dear friend supreme judicial city officer, it is not the flesh of the dog that knows this, but the dog's soul that is already on a higher level of intelligence. But how?

[8] Look, man as well as animals possess an outer sphere that surrounds them, which is necessary for life and which is very related to their soul. Many people who live very simply can often notice from a distance of several hours of walking that a friend, whom they knew before and who was absent for a long time, comes to meet them, and they even can determine the time on which that friend will come to them.

[9] Animals often possess an even sharper capability to detect and notice if something is hostile or friendly to them from an even greater distance. Dogs and cats possess that capability to a very high degree. So you can let one of your house dogs bring a few days of traveling away from you and let them be set free there, and without any knowledge of the Earth or the way, he will come back to you. Who shows him the way and on what was he focused so that he was able to come back to you again?

[10] Firstly it is your far reaching outer life's sphere – although crossed by numberless others – that shows him and that he very well can recognize as being yours by his strong sense of tracking. And secondly: what will drive him then to you? Nothing else but his instinctive love for you and his loyalty. He knows that he does not take the wrong way and knows very well that he is coming near to you when he comes closer or less close to your life's sphere which you are in a certain way radiating.

[11] Because the outer life's sphere is like the radiation of a light, but then only more in relation to the soul. The radiation is of course denser on the spot where the light itself is located, and when further away from the light the radiation of light will be thinner and weaker, and at a great distance one will hardly notice the ignited light. Especially someone who does not possess a sharp eye will see no radiation, but only the one with a sharp eye.

[12] And so also men and animals can notice from a great distance the radiation of friendly people and animals, this according to whether they possess a stronger sense of tracking.

[13] Look, I am the Lord of all creatures in the whole of infinity, and therefore also of those on this Earth, and so these crane birds are giving Me, as I already told you, morning greetings. And in

order for you to see it, the crane birds will come very close to us and at My signal they will then proceed to the pond that I created for you yesterday by My Raphael. Then they will take a morning meal there and take a provision of water which they will need to continue their flight.”

[14] I hardly had said that when about 340 crane birds descended to the ground, formed as if 2 rows around us and looked at Me. Soon after that, I signaled these animals with My hand to the pond. They flew upwards and in no time they were at the pond, and by their whispering they showed that they were very happy with the food that was present in the pond and also with the clean water with which they filled their internal water bags.

[15] Everyone looked with great pleasure to this scene of nature and they all praised My love, wisdom and power.

(THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 25, chap. 8)

THE INFLUENCE OF A GOOD OR OF A BAD MASTER

[1] (The Lord:) “Even more so, an avaricious and greedy man is an exceedingly large poisonous plant of a far reaching influence. All the nature-spirits surrounding him up to a great distance, his emanation and his whole outer life sphere, will conform to his inner nature. And the corrupted nature-spirits around him will keep perverting into their own evil, avarice and greed the still good nature-spirits joining them.

[2] Since these nature-spirits are in constant conflict, not only with man, but also with the animals and plants, the water and the air, they invariably give rise to many battles, frictions and unnecessary movements in the air, the water, the earth, the fire and in the animals.

[3] Whoever wants to see a practical example of this, let him go to a very good man. All the animals surrounding such a man will be of a much gentler nature. The best example are dogs; within a short time, they fully adopt the nature of their master.

The dog of an avaricious man will certainly also be an avaricious beast, and when eating it will not be a good idea to come too close to it. But go to a bounteous, gentle person and you will notice, if he keeps a dog, that this animal will have a very good-natured character; it will rather retreat from the food bowl than involving itself in a vicious battle with any uninvited guest. Also all other domestic animals of a gentle and kindhearted owner will be significantly softer, yes, even with plants and trees a person with sharp senses will observe a significant difference. (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN Book 9, chap. 77)

01] (The Lord:) “Imagine yourself a human soul in its original unspoiled state as a true sun among all the various enlivened creatures containing a soul, which all have to submit to the human soul, since they take from its outer life sphere, when this like the soul, is in perfect order, their life light and spiritual life warmth to vegetate in their further rising soul life sphere, and thereby become gentle, tolerant and obedient. Since the souls of plants as well as animals have the to you of course still very unknown destination, ONCE TO BECOME HUMAN SOULS THEMSELVES.

02] The plants and even more so the animals are nothing else than suitable pre-vessels according to My wisdom and insight for accumulation and successive development and for seizing each other of the - you might say - general nature-soul-life-power in the immeasurable space of creation, from which also your souls originate, if originally on this or also on another earth world, does not matter. These animal souls feel the emanation of a proper human soul and the sphere formed by its outer-life-light and outer-life-warmth.

03] In this perfect outer life sphere the animals are prospering, like the planets in the light and the warmth of the sun, and not one soul of any animal is capable of rising against the will of a perfected human soul, but circles modestly around it like a planet around the sun and develops in such spiritual light and in its warmth quite excellently for a further transition to a higher level.

04] To give you a more practically insight, we will look a bit closer to some domestic animals and their owners! Let's go to a hard hearted and arrogant owner and look in the spirit at his domestic animals! His dogs are more evil and wilder than the wolves of the woods, his cattle are shy and quite often frightened and dangerously wild. His sheep and goats are fleeing every human form and are difficult to catch. Through the garden of his pigs, which he keeps for the sake of their fat, it is not advisable to walk, to avoid being attacked murderously by their total wildness. The chicken and other poultry are also shy and are difficult to catch. Also with his donkeys, horses, camels and oxen it is not advisable to become too trusting; since very little of any animal culture is noticeable. Only by a continuous wild shouting and cursing and continual hitting, bumping and stabbing can they be used for a certain work, whereby most of the time some accident occurs!

05] Yes, why are with this our hard and arrogant owner the domestic animals are so raw and wild and so very much unbendable? - The soul of their owner is for them a life-sun in complete disarray! His servants and workers are soon as their master, therefore also not nearly a life-sun for the ice cold souls of the animals given to them to guard and to lead! Everybody shouts, curses and hits to what he is capable of! How could the animals of such an owner be in a wholesome state, of which one can say that they are in order?!

06] But lets go now to a really old-patriarchal good and wise owner of many and large herds and observe his domestic animals! What a nearly unbelievable difference! Neither the cattle nor the sheep leave their good shepherd! Only a single call of him, and they hurry to him, surround him and with a nearly visible attention listen to him, if he wants to say something to them! And if he does this, they obey and wondrously bid the will of the good shepherd, where they have refreshed themselves with his soul-light.

07] The camel understands the slightest sign of its good guide, and the courageous horse does not become shy under the saddle of its rider. In short, all domestic animals of a gentle and good landlord are gentle, obedient and listen to the voice of their guardians and their master, and with all animals one quite easily notices a certain gentleness, as you can recognize it at the noble trees with a first glance, that they carry noble fruit; since there the trunk, the branches and all the

foliage are softly rounded, smooth and without sharp points and prickles, and the fruit is tasting lovely.

08] The reason for this is, as said, one or more healthy, unspoiled souls with a lighted being, spreading a soul-like light-sphere, which contains everything, what the soul as life-element contains in itself, namely: love, faith, trust, recognition, wanting and success." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN IV, chap.16)