



# Divine Love Newsletter

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## FROM THE EDITORS

Welcome to the July 2018 edition of the Divine Love Newsletter. We are pleased to bring you news of our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world. Despite being a small community, we are influential in the sense that we bring much love and light to this world – a world that is in desperate need of the truth of the Father’s Love. Jimbeau Walsh, who has performed thousands of weddings, shared that the number of couples who do not want the mention of God in the ceremony has skyrocketed in recent years. People are turning away from traditional belief systems and finding their own path in life. Some are embracing a personal relationship with God or a “Higher Power” as they perceive it, while others are “throwing the baby out with the bath water” and rejecting even the idea that God exists.

So how can we reach these souls who are sleepwalking? We should do exactly what we are doing now – keep praying for the Divine Love and asking to be a channel of God’s Love and Light to others. And when moved by our love, we write a book, publish a website, perform weddings, support a church, protect the original truths, or start a prayer group. We share our love with others by using the gifts that God has given us – music, healing, writing, teaching, ministering, channeling, administration, etc. Even small acts of kindness, such as giving a smile or really listening to a friend, as well as praying for those in need and assisting them as we are able, go a long way toward being a light in the darkness.

Within the community, let us support and lift each other up in our individual and collective works of love. God is the conductor of this grand orchestra and we each play our own beautiful instrument/s. When we all play in harmony, our collective symphony sounds angelic and is a clarion call to those in search of God’s Love. Let us practice our instruments through prayer so that we can be in tune with each other and send reverberations of Love throughout the world.

This newsletter is dedicated to all of you who are spreading the news about the re-bestowal of God’s Divine Love through word and deed. We welcome your comments, as well as inspiring stories, project updates, retreat reports, articles, personal Divine Love reflections or experiences – anything that you think would be of interest to other community members.

Past issues of the newsletter can be downloaded from the [Divine Love Community portal](#) (username: members, password: DivineLove) or from the new [Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation website](#).

### The Editors

Contributions can be emailed to the editors at [editors@fcdt.org](mailto:editors@fcdt.org)  
(Michael Nedbal and Eva Peck)

## DIVINE LOVE COMMUNITY MAP

The [Divine Love Community map](#), (username: *members*, password: *DivineLove*), has ten churches/prayer groups, 27 ministers, and 78 Divine Love souls registered. If you or your group would like to be included on the map, please send us your email address, location and a picture ([editors@fcdt.org](mailto:editors@fcdt.org))



## PRAYING ACROSS THE MILES

- **Al and Jeanne Fike** welcome you to pray with them – in person in Gibsons or simultaneously from your home – every Monday at 7 pm Pacific Time. **Terry Adler and Barb Davies** are hosting prayers every Monday night at 6:30 pm PT in West Vancouver, with a study circle from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to join one or both activities, and prayer requests are welcome. Contact [Jeanne](#) or [Terry](#) for more details.
- **The Divine Love Ministry** invites you to join them for a Sunday Service on Skype at 10:45 am Hawaii-Aleutian Time. Services consist of music, prayers, reading, and channelled messages. Please contact [Michael](#) for more info.
- **Jan Blackston** coordinates a prayer/study group on Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 pm Eastern US time on Zoom (similar to Skype). After initial greetings, the first 30 minutes are spent praying for the Divine Love followed by discussing a message or a topic based on the *True Gospel Revealed Anew by Jesus* volumes. If interested in joining the group, please contact [Jan](#).
- **Tim Foley** has a Meditation class in Sonoma, California every Monday at 6 pm Pacific Coast Time. For more information, please contact [Tim](#).
- **Bill Frase** holds a circle of light at Monroeville United Methodist Church, Monroeville, PA, every Wednesday, 6-7 pm Eastern US time. All are welcome to join in person or in spirit. Sessions begin with conversation and placing prayer requests into the blessings bowl. The silent prayer time with soft background music starts and ends with a brief spoken prayer. Participants are free to share any thoughts, perceptions, sensations, or feelings before departing in love and peace. For more information, please use the [contact form](#).
- Groups are also meeting monthly in South Wales, UK; Germany; Abbotsford, B.C., Canada; and Namibia. For meeting times and dates, click [here](#).



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## UPCOMING DIVINE LOVE RETREAT, SEPTEMBER 2018 – PHOENIX, ARIZONA



[WorldMark Phoenix - South Mountain Preserve](#)

A **Divine Love retreat**, hosted by Patricia Doyle, is planned for **September 9-13** at **WorldMark Phoenix**. This resort is nestled at the base of South Mountain Preserve, one of the country's largest municipal parks. Guests are surrounded by unspoiled natural desert views, and a variety of native wildlife with immediate access to 55 miles of trails for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding. The retreat will consist of music, prayers for Divine Love, outings, food, fellowship and fun. Accommodation prices range from \$435 for a one-bedroom unit to \$635 for a three-bedroom unit. For more details and booking, contact [Patricia](#). This is the last announcement about the retreat, which is now only two months away. To avoid last-minute logistical and

lodging challenges, Patricia requests that all those interested sign up by August 1.

Those who wish to stay longer can attend the **Afterlife Research and Education Institute Symposium** held **September 14-16** in the nearby **Scottsdale**. There will be pre-symposium activities starting at 10 am on September 13, with the conference ending on Sunday around 2 pm, and another optional workshop on Sunday afternoon. Click [here](#) for more info on accommodations and registration. (If you haven't read Patricia's experience from last year's symposium, you can find it in the [November 2017 Divine Love Newsletter](#) (username: *members*, password: *DivineLove*).

## NOT FEELING THE BURNING OF THE LOVE? (MICHAEL NEDBAL)

From time to time, truth seekers share their frustration in praying for God's Love and not feeling any physical sensations, burning or otherwise. Some ultimately conclude that those who describe a burning sensation in their souls are deluding themselves, that their minds are manifesting those physical sensations, and that there is no such thing as Divine Love.

The most direct evidence we have for a burning/glowing sensation as a result of the inflowing of God's Love is a testimony by Dr. Stone and channeled messages through Dr. Samuels. In his testimony Dr. Stone stated: *"we [Dr. Stone and James Padgett] began to pray for the Divine Love, letting our soul longings go out to the Heavenly Father; and, in time, a feeling came glowing into the region of our hearts."* Dr. Samuels received a channeled message from Jesus (Revelation 5) who described his experience with the Hebrew rulers of his time: *"if they wished to assert the truth of my words, they should try and test my teachings that the Father's Love was now available, and pray for it to the Father in earnest prayer, and see whether, if this was done in sincerity, the Father's Love, conveyed through the Holy Spirit, would burn and glow in the soul, by which sign they would realize His Love was present therein."* In Revelation 7, Jesus further stated, *"Love came burning more and more brightly in my soul, and I felt the glow and the incoming of the Love in my soul"*. Jesus also said in Revelation 14 that, *"the burning in my soul constantly told me that I could die only in the flesh and that I would retain my consciousness after my passing over."* It seems that, similarly to Dr. Stone, Dr. Samuels believed that the burning sensation in the heart region represented the inflowing of God's Divine Love. In *The True Mission of Jesus* (TGRABJ, Vol. I, p. XVII), he writes: *"When one obtains the greatest attribute of God, the Divine Love, which manifests itself as a warm glow burning in the soul, as occurred to the refugees at Emmaus (Luke 24:32), then he is actually feeling or perceiving the Great Soul of God to the degree he partakes of that Love."*



Photo by Michael Nedbal

References to a burning sensation when receiving God's Love are not very prevalent in the messages channeled through James Padgett. Ann Rollins (TGRABJ, Vol. II, p. 9) stated that evidence of possession of the Love relates to the beauty of the soul as seen through spiritual eyes: *"The Love of God cannot be defined, for It passes all understanding. But the result of that Love, when in the souls of men, can be seen and felt in the exceeding beauty of the countenances of men and their wonderful happiness."* Celestial spirit St. Andrew stated (TGRABJ, Vol I, p. 188): *"The love that casts out all fear is the Divine Love of the Father, and when a spirit obtains that, there exists no such thing as fear."* Ann Rollins also relates that possession of the Divine Love will bring greater happiness (TGRABJ, Vol II, p. 279): *"each successive stage of that progress has brought us greater and greater happiness"*.

The channeled messages through James Padgett seem to speak more of the results of the inflowing of God's Love rather than physical manifestations of the Love. Yet, based on Dr. Stone's testimony, James Padgett did acknowledge feeling a glowing in his heart.

Eva Peck pointed out that, similar to the messages through James Padgett, the Bible also teaches about the results of the Love. In Galatians 5:22-24 we read: *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus [follow his teachings] have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires."* This then makes us a new creature/creation as we are told in 2 Corinthians 5:17: *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ [Divine Love], he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"*

What then are we to make of this seemingly conflicting information? Is the burning sensation a real, tangible proof of the inflowing of God's Love? Is it possible that people are mentally manifesting a feeling of warmth in their chest based on a strong mental need to feel God's Love? From a scientific standpoint, we cannot rule out that possibility, but it certainly

would be difficult to test that hypothesis. What about the people in the community who have been praying for the Love a long time but have never felt the burning sensation? Are they just not praying hard enough?

Could it be that the burning sensation refers to the “burning off” of soul encrustations? Perhaps the feeling of burning is actually the Divine Love working on sin in our souls. A channeled message from Ben Robinson (TGRABJ, Vol. IV, p. 378) alludes to this possibility: *“I have my recollections of what I did on earth and they seem to burn me and cause my sufferings.”* If this is true, then the manifestation of burning, or even pain, may be directly related to the state of one’s soul and the degree of Divine Love loosening false beliefs and burning away past encrustations.

I am aware of individuals in the community that never felt the burning sensation and they believe that they possess God’s Love within their souls. This lack of a burning feeling on their part may have to do with their involvement in church/spiritual activities for a large portion of their life. Perhaps they had purified their natural love to such an extent that the Divine Love had nothing to burn away which would have resulted in a physical sensation.

I think we can all agree that a physical response or manifestation as a result of prayer to our Heavenly Father is something we all desire. We want to know that our prayers are being heard and answered. Caution is needed, however, in making this burning sensation an absolute indicator of the presence of the Divine Love in one’s soul. Having a specific expectation of the Father’s response is, in essence, trying to control our relationship with God.

We each have a unique personal relationship with our Heavenly Father. Who is to say that one person’s experience can’t be completely different from another’s experience? When we try to control a situation or a response from God, we are not surrendering and are only allowing ourselves to perceive a tiny window of opportunities that may be presented to us. Perhaps a better way to approach our Heavenly Father is to completely surrender to Him in Love and make it ok not to feel anything. Tell God – and sincerely mean it – that you love Him with all your heart and soul, and that whatever happens in return is completely fine with you. Let Him know that you desire to serve Him in whatever capacity He wishes.

If you are not physically feeling God’s Love, make that ok. Know that God is hearing your prayers and that He loves you. Open up your heart and let go of your mind’s expectations of what your relationship with Him should be like. He may have something unique in store for you. Embrace the Love that you and your Father share and continue asking for more of His Divine Love. He will answer you, but it may not be in the way you expect.

Completely surrendering to God takes a leap of faith. It can be scary to allow an omnipotent God do whatever He/She wishes to do in your life. That leap of faith, however, isn’t so difficult when you believe that God is Love and that He loves us more than we can imagine. If you truly want to know God and have a personal relationship with Him, tell Him that. And then continue praying and conversing with Him, even if you think you are just talking to yourself. Keep having that soulful desire to be with Him and truths will be revealed to your soul. You will grow in your relationship with God in ways not governed by anything written in a book, but unique and special to you.

## **PADGETT FAMILY HEADSTONES RESTORATION REVISITED (JUDY GEBHARDT)**

In May, Patricia Doyle, Holly Bianco, Joan Warden and I embarked on a graveside tour to the Washington DC area to visit the Padgett family tombstones that began a process of restoration last November. The restoration became possible as a result of money raised by Divine Love Community members for a life-time endowment (see Divine Love Newsletters, September 2017, p. 7, and November 2017, p. 9).

The Mount Olivet Cemetery in Frederick, Maryland, where Helen Padgett and other members of her family are buried, is really nice. It is located on flat land, not a hillside like some of the





other cemeteries we visited during our trip. It has a lovely little chapel which unfortunately we were not able to enter. We did, however, see inside the Mausoleum Chapel that has the most beautiful stained-glass angel.

We were happy to meet up with Bill Frase at the Cemetery. He was very helpful in using his Boy Scout knife to put holes in the water jug container that we used for our flowers.

Ron Pearsey, the Cemetery Superintendent, graciously took us to the Padgett graveside. He explained that the restoration product that was applied last November is still working and that the headstones will become yet whiter than they are now. Because we arranged for this endowment, a plaque stands in front of the main headstone showing that it is endowed. This means that it will be perpetually taken care of as long as the Cemetery exists, and will always sparkle and shine the way that Helen does in our hearts.

Ron has been the Superintendent of Mount Olivet Cemetery now for fifty years. I asked him if he has a plot there and he answered in the affirmative and pointed in the direction where it is located. He said he plans to be buried where he works.

Ron introduced us to a young man, Chris, who is in charge of the Cemetery blog. Chris created a series called "Stories in Stone" and posts a new story on the blog each week. I would like to invite anyone who feels so inclined to write an article about Helen and submit it to Chris. It would be a wonderful vehicle to get the message out as to exactly who was Helen Padgett.

I am so glad we initiated this restoration of the Padgett family headstones. I felt sick to see Helen's name so dark that you could hardly see it. Now her name and her family's names really glow as we all know that they themselves do in the spirit world. (Incidentally, Helenita just celebrated her 100-year anniversary of passing over.) Big thanks to all who took part in this little campaign. I feel certain that Helen and her family are very happy that we have done this in their memory.



Below are some up-to-date photos of Helen's headstone, with a pre-treatment photo for comparison. It is amazing to see the difference in the headstones in just six short months – since November. It will be interesting to see the results in a year. We put flowers in the large vase, but by now, soil would have been placed inside it with annuals planted, so there will be flowers in the vase all summer. I believe this is another endowment that was set up for the plot. Notice how Helen's headstone now really shines among all the others.

We also visited New Market and saw the little church that Joseph Salyards went to as well as his headstone. From my research, I learned that Joseph was somewhat famous in his time. He did a lot of poetry writing and also worked with the then pastor of the church on translating the German Bible into English. It took them seven years. The Hinkel family is also well known in this little town. They owned the newspaper while they lived there. It is likely that James Padgett attended the same church while he was living and going to school in New Market.



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**UPDATE FROM DIVINE LOVE SANCTUARY FOUNDATION – JANUARY TO JUNE 2018 (JEANNE FIKE)**

**Recent Retreat**

Our souls soared as we bid farewell to our retreat guests the weekend of 9-10 June. About a dozen members of the First United Spiritualist Church in the Vancouver area came to Gibsons to join in prayer, meditation and healing circles with long-time Divine Love followers from Gibsons and West Vancouver Circles of Light. It was a weekend of joy -- feasting on God's Love, and enjoying the simple pleasures of being together, mutually sharing love, potluck meals, healing gifts and laughter! Two hour-long prayers were held each day, as well as participating in inspiring spiritual discussions, walks in the forest, and visits to the quaint seaside village. The garden was alive with butterflies and bees amongst the beautiful flowers. A mother eagle and five small eagles were seen circling above. These and a glorious rainbow of lights in the sky and on the water were among constant reminders of the beauty of God's Creation. (Click [here](#) for more details.)



Photo supplied by Jeanne Fike

**Past Retreats and Prayer Circles**

Since our retirement almost five years ago, Al and I have had the luxury of being able to devote ourselves to praying for Divine Love with seeking souls around the world. We had hosted two international retreats at our home in Gibsons. In addition to several weekend retreats each year, we have held daily and weekly prayer circles in four locations in and around the Vancouver area. Indeed our Sanctuary is dedicated to this very purpose!

**Announcing a Retreat Centre!**

Having been blessed with a beautiful home, we can host prayer circles and meals for up to 20 people. We are also able accommodate up to eight overnight guests in a "family-style", affordable accommodation with the expectation to have our costs covered and for everyone to share cooking, cleaning and chores. If interested in a short or longer retreat at our home, more information and pictures can be found at our website, [www.divinelovesanctuary.com](http://www.divinelovesanctuary.com).

**Contemporary Messages**

For those interested in contemporary messages, we send out a selected message every week. We also offer a Community Forum and Facebook Page. Our presentations at the First United Spiritualist Church are broadcast via Facebook Live.

When Alec Gaunt, the founder of the Divine Love movement in Western Canada, passed away in 1970, we inherited old boxes of faded, hand-written, and typed manuscripts. Al and I stored them in a closet until July, 2012. For the next five years, the diligent and disciplined Helge Mercker retyped the fading documents until hundreds of pages were digitally saved. Helge then passed the torch to Darlene Gaunt (who married Alec's son). Thanks to these two hard-working ladies, DLSF is proud to announce that *Messages of Love – 1958 - 1970* – representing Alec's legacy, are now available to the world! This treasure trove contains hundreds of messages from Jesus, his disciples and other Celestial Angels that were channeled through several mediums. Alec initiated 24 Divine Love Prayer Circles in the Vancouver area, and during the last two years of his life, came very close to the development of physical manifestation or "Direct Voice" of Celestial spirits. This extraordinary collection is [now available on the DLSF website](#).

**Happy to Assist**

We are always willing to co-host or visit Divine Love Circles in other areas. Currently we are working with Kristin Lortie and Ruth Duvall in planning a Divine Love Caribbean Cruise in March, 2019!

Click [here](#) for more information about DLSF activities.

## FOUNDATION CHURCH OF NEW BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT (ELIZABETH MORANA)

FCNB is still happy and eager to send a free box of 28 soft-cover copies of *True Gospel Revealed Anew by Jesus*, Volume I, to anyone who wishes to share them with family/friends/acquaintances. Please include a donation of \$25 with your request to defray postage to anywhere in the US. If interested, please contact [Elizabeth](#).

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Joan Warden is working on The Prayer for Divine Love Translation Project with Ian Nicol for his website [Truth for all People](#). Besides English, the Prayer now has authentic translations in Chinese, Spanish, French, German, Danish, Norwegian, Czech and Dutch. If you can write in another language and would be willing to **translate the Prayer** and to share it, please contact [Joan](#) or Ian through his [website](#). Thank you and God bless.

### POETRY CORNER (ALEX AND EVA PECK)



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#### UPS AND DOWNS IN LIFE

Life always has its ups and downs,  
Which may at first cause us frowns.  
To expect life to be otherwise,  
In reality, is not very wise.

To hope for only *pleasure* is unrealistic,  
In this earthly life, that's far too optimistic!  
Never wanting to suffer is a wrong view to maintain.  
It is a normal part of life to have some *pain*.

We're happy whenever we *gain* and get more;  
But it's another story when some *loss* we score!  
To only want gain, and never loss, is not realistic;  
For this earthly life, it's ignorantly idealistic!

How we're pleased and rejoice, when some *fame* we get,  
Yet, may feel crushed when by feelings of *insignificance* we're met!  
To only desire and yearn for status and position,  
In the here and now, is not a true-to-life condition!

So wonderful we feel when from others *praise* we get,  
Yet, when *blame* comes our way, we quickly get upset!  
To only want to be well thought of, by one and all,  
In our life, is under a serious delusion to fall!

To embrace these eight worldly concerns by you and me,  
Is *not* the way to live a life that is truly free!  
Both *attachment* and *aversion* will leave us in suffering trapped!  
There's a better, middle way, that indeed for us has been mapped.

That way is to *accept* life as it emerges, we're told,  
With open heart and mind allow reality before us unfold.  
Difficult as it can be, by accepting come what may,  
We will find a great, more peaceful, middle way.

Countless complex causes and conditions are at play,  
That make it impossible for all things to go our way.  
But, to continually fear any form of pain,  
Doesn't benefit life in the physical domain.

Ups and downs in life will no doubt arrive,  
And we'll have to do the best we can to survive.  
May we take what comes in our stride,  
Accepting what we encounter – and thrive!



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**MEMBER NEWS**

- **Klaus Fuchs** has updated and republished Dr. Samuels' *New Testament Revelations* and *Old Testament Sermons*. The new editions of both books now contain all messages received by Dr. Samuels, including the **additional messages** that have only been partially included in the previous editions. *Old Testament Sermons* is available in both **Kindle** and **paperback** editions. *New Testament Revelations* is also available in **Kindle** and **paperback** editions.
- **Joseph Babinsky** has published a second edition of his book *Family Reunion - Afterlife Contact*. This came as a result of giving a copy of the original edition (2015) to a new friend in Prescott who is a professional editor, and following her advice. The new edition is available at **Joseph's Lulu online bookstore**.
- **Eva Peck** has had her **website** professionally upgraded. It is now better organized, contains additional material, and has many free downloads including books, booklets, PDF articles, and illustrated texts. The website contains topical summaries of the Divine Love truths based on the Padgett messages, ties these truths to the Bible and other spiritual traditions, and draws on various spiritual writers for insights on various aspects of life. Feel free to mention it to your friends who you think might benefit from it.
- **Joseph Babinsky's** website "Divine Love Journey" has been archived under a new URL of <http://divinelovejourney.weebly.com/>.
- **Brooke Folk** has started a sister station to **Divine Love Radio**, WCMR or **Worldwide Celestial Messages Radio**. The new station features ten- to fifteen-minute readings of celestial messages received by Al Fike. They are randomly selected or listeners can request a specific message reading by contacting **Brooke**. Both, the WCMR and WDLR links and individual programs are posted on the **Divine Love Sanctuary** website under Audio & Video. Listeners are encouraged to download the mp3 files to their computers, embed them in their websites / blogs and/or share them in texts or emails. Brooke continues to interview members of the Divine Love Community on WDLR, **Divine Love Radio**, and invites "all who have a story to tell, come babble with Brooke".

**LITA – CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE AFRICAN CHILD (CATHERINE KOCH)**



*Photo supplied by Catherine Koch*

This is a day set aside in June each year to raise awareness of the continuing need to improve access to quality education for African children. This year's theme was "Leave No Child Behind for Africa's Development".

At LITA, as a result of the support we received in 2017 for our 2018 Education Program, we are doing our best to "leave no child behind". We've travelled far, wide, and deep into villages to welcome and support many new students to go to school, and are very grateful for the opportunity to do so. Presently, LITA donors are supporting 92 students to attend school. Thank you so much for making it possible!

Children LOVE even the chance to go to school here, it's ALL fun! Especially inspiring of late have been times when we have helped

reconnect family members previously unknown to one another, and when we have been able to enrol all the siblings in several families, where formerly only the firstborn in each family may have been able to attend school.

If you would like to help us in our efforts to "leave no child behind", you can donate to our Education Program [here](#). Thank You!



*Matthew: The Salvation that Jesus taught.*

Let me write a few lines tonight as I desire to tell you of a truth that to me seems important for mankind to know in order that they may comprehend the truth of their personal salvation.

I am a spirit of soul development and an inhabitant of the Celestial Heavens, where only those whose souls have been transformed by the Divine Love into the very nature and Essence of the Father can find a habitation. I will not write at any great length and have only one idea or truth to convey, and that is "that no man or spirit can possibly receive the full salvation that Jesus taught and exemplified in his own person, who does not become wholly possessed in his soul of this Divine Love of the Father, and becomes rid of the conditions and attributes that belong to his created soul." This soul was not created with any of the divine attributes or qualities, but simply and merely with those which you may call human and which all men and spirits who have not experienced the transformation possess.

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The God-man, as Jesus is sometimes designated by your religious writers and theologians, was not at the time of his creation or appearance in the flesh possessed of these Divine attributes, which are of the nature and Essence of the Father, but only of the human attributes which belonged to the perfect man - that is, the man who was the perfect creature as he existed before the fall of the first parents, when sin had not entered into their souls, and into the world of men's existence. Jesus was from the time of his birth, the perfect man, and, consequently, without sin - all his moral qualities being in complete harmony with the will of God and the laws controlling his creation; yet, he was not greater than were the first parents prior to their act of disobedience.

There was nothing of God, in the sense of the Divine that entered into his nature or constituents, and, if the Divine Love had not come into and transformed his soul, he would have remained only the perfect creature of a quality no higher or greater than was bestowed upon the first man; and Jesus was as regards his possibilities and privileges, like this first man prior to his fall or death of the potentiality of becoming Divine, but differed from him in this: that Jesus embraced and made his own these privileges and hence became Divine, while the first man refused to embrace them and lost them, and remained the mere man though not the perfect man as he was created.

And while Jesus by reason of his possession of the Divine Love became divine, yet he never became the God-man, and never can, for there does not exist and never can be a God-man. God is God, alone, and never has and never can become man; and Jesus is man only and never can become God.

But Jesus is preeminently the Divine man, and may rightly be called the best beloved son of the Father, for he possesses more of the Divine Love and, consequently, more of the Essence and Nature of the Father, than does any other spirit of the Celestial Heavens, and with this possession there comes to him greater power and glory and knowledge. He may be described and understood as possessing and manifesting the Wisdom of the Father; and we spirits of the Celestial Kingdom recognize and acknowledge that superior wisdom of Jesus and are compelled by the very greatness and force of the wisdom, itself, to honor and abide in his authority.

And this transcendent and greatest possessor of the Father's wisdom is the same when he comes to you and reveals the truths of God as he is when in the highest spheres of the Celestial Kingdom clothed in all the glory of his nearness to the Father. As the voice on the Mount said "Hear ye him," I repeat to you and to all who may have the privilege and opportunity of reading or hearing his messages, hear ye him! And when hearing, believe and seek.

Well, my brother, I deemed it proper to write this short message and hope it may help you in the work. I will come again. Good night.

Your brother in Christ,

Saint Matthew, as called in the Bible.