



# Divine Love Newsletter

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## FROM THE EDITORS

Greetings dear brothers and sisters in Christ! As this newsletter issue is the last one for 2016, the editors wish to bid you all much happiness and peace in God's Love as we round the corner into 2017. A lot has happened this year including several retreats held around the world, new people connecting with the Community, and new Divine Love projects and ministries initiated. It is wonderful to see the Community blossoming in harmony and Love.

We have so much to be thankful for in our lives. Let us take the time to especially acknowledge our Heavenly Father as the source of all goodness, and our beloved brother Jesus who is leading us along the path to the Kingdom. We were each given unique gifts and talents so that we can assist Jesus and the Celestials in God's plan of salvation. See yourself in the best possible light – as a beautiful, beloved child of the Father. In so doing, allow the Light and Love that are with you to shine forth to everyone you encounter. Embody the Divine Love in your thoughts and actions, and together we'll be able to transform this world from darkness to light.

Why not consider starting a Divine Love prayer group in your neck of the woods? It could take the form of meeting in person or over the internet via Skype. Many among us may desire to connect with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, but due to the distance or time differences, cannot take advantage of the existing prayer groups. So if you feel inspired to serve in this way, take the plunge and dedicate a portion of your time to facilitate a Skype meeting to help like-minded souls connect in the Love. Group **Skype** calls are free and you don't have to be an IT guru to get started. Drop **Michael** a line if you have questions or need some guidance in starting a Skype prayer group.

We always 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.

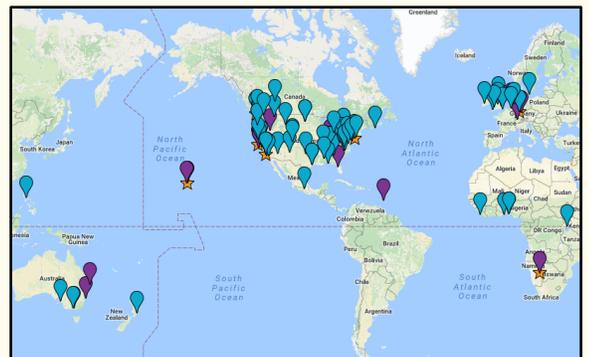
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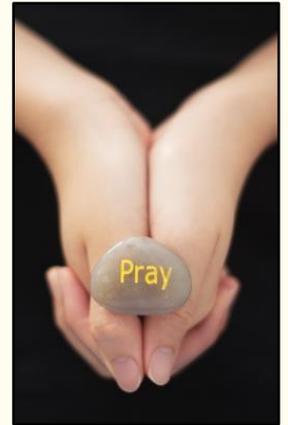
## DIVINE LOVE COMMUNITY MAP

The **Divine Love Community map**, (username: *members*, password: *DivineLove*), has eight churches/prayer groups, 25 ministers, and 76 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 or simultaneously from your home – every second Monday in Gibsons at 5:30 pm Pacific Time, and alternating Mondays at Barb's in West Vancouver at 6:30 pm PT. Prayer requests are welcome. Contact [Jeanne](#) for more details.
- The Divine Love Ministry invites you to join them for a Sunday Service on Skype at 11:00 am Hawaii-Aleutian Time. Services consist of music, prayers, reading, and channelled messages. Please contact [Michael](#) for more info.
- Tim Foley has a Meditation class in Sonoma, California every Monday at 6 pm Pacific Coast Time. For more information, please contact [Tim](#).
- Groups are also meeting monthly in South Wales, UK; Germany; and Abbotsford, B.C., Canada. For meeting times and dates, click [here](#).



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## RETREAT REPORTS

Four retreats have taken place between mid-August and first week of September. We are continuing with our coverage from the last issue.

### Our Lily Dale Adventure (August 21-27) – by Holly Bianco

As we drove up to the Lily Dale Assembly gate, our hearts were excited to finally arrive at this historical spiritualist community. The town of Lily Dale is located along the eastern side of Cassadaga Lake and was incorporated in 1879. Many of the town's charming homes which Dr. Stone would have seen when he first came to Lily Dale in the early 1900s are still present. As soon as we passed through those gates, we felt as if we were transported back in time. What a beautiful and tranquil town to have a spiritual retreat.

Our small group stayed at the Angel House in Lily Dale, built in 1897 and, wow, what an enchanting place to relax and enjoy the spiritual atmosphere. This Victorian home was very comfortable with its wrap-around porch and musical chimes that sounded off with the occasional breeze. Each room had its own whimsical theme. Joan's room was the Blue Angel room, while Ruth and Holly shared the Cherub room. To add to the charm, the floors and stairs in the home were uneven and gave it a fun house feel. It was a perfect place to share the message of God's Love with other guests.

Our host Frank, the owner of Angel House, was very kind and generous to loan us his golf cart to drive around the town for free, even though the town attractions can all be reached on foot. As we walked and drove around Lily Dale, we loved the many quaint homes with their gardens. All the homes were either owned or rented by Lily Dale mediums, who are available for readings throughout the day. Ruth had her personal reading by one of the town's prominent mediums. Almost everything in her reading was spot on, including the names of her living sons and her late husband Eddy and dad John.

Even though the town and area didn't feel haunted by earth-plane spirits, we did hear and see a few spirits while there. One female spirit, aged about 50, with old-fashioned wavy hair, threw Holly a kiss with her hand. Later Holly heard a female spirit say, "You will be blessed." She believes it was the same spirit. Holly also heard a male spirit at the Angel House say, "Oh my God, the light!" Ruth, Joan and Holly all felt Jesus' presence that night and the next morning. Holly also saw a male spirit with bald head wearing a decorated army hat, as well as hearing a male spirit say, "I will share it with God's Love."

The basic daily schedule started with a free morning meditation at the Healing Temple. Twice a day, a healing service was held where healers from the community prayed over each individual with a light touch while live soft piano music was playing. We all felt a wonderfully peaceful and uplifting energy at these healing services. One healer prayed for Holly to have God's Love and Light, as well as protection and guidance from her master guides. All the prayers were sweet and loving.

Many activities were in an outdoor auditorium setting like the Leolyn Woods, which is a forest area with cathedral-like trees hovering over the auditorium. This is where local and visiting mediums come twice a day to give free readings to the audience. Holly was picked out of the crowd for an interesting reading.

In the afternoon, they had a spiritualist church service, which included singing from a song book, a speaker presentation, and a message reading. Various paid classes were held throughout the day at the Assembly Hall.

Another thing we loved about the town were the many nature trails and delightful gardens, as well as a beach area and a lovely view of the Cassadaga Lake. The little town has a gift shop, bookstore, and cafes where we all enjoyed some good food.

Lily Dale has a library where old books on spiritual matters are stored. Years ago, Dr. Stone had donated two of the Padgett volumes to the library, and while we were there, Joan Warden donated her two books, "Divine Love for the Soul" and "God's Divine Love is the Solution."

Another interesting place is the Museum of Spiritualism with memorabilia of spiritualism history. Among the many artefacts are slate writing, séance trumpets, as well as the

Fox sisters' history and the peddler's chest found under their cabin.

On our second day we had a wonderful surprise visit from David Reed who joined us for two days and then departed for the Blackpool Retreat. One of our fun times with David was visiting the Panama Scenic Rocks Park, which is only 38 minutes from Lily Dale. The huge rocks and lush forest were magnificent and reminded us of an Indiana Jones adventure.

Joan and Holly attended a wonderful Drum Circle at the beach area by Cassadaga Lake. On our last night, we joined a Thought Exchange gathering. We were all asked to write a question that would be presented to the group for discussion. Whoever wanted to answer a particular question would stand at the podium to share it and the

answer with the group. Joan's question was, "Do you pray for God's Divine Love?" which she answered by explaining the difference between the natural love and the Divine Love. Holly asked and answered the question, "Have you heard of the medium James E. Padgett?" She spoke about James Padgett's mediumship and shared some of her spiritual experiences. Overall the group was open to what we had to share and we both enjoyed the experience.

As we were about to depart from Angel House, the President of Lily Dale Assembly came walking by and we said to her, "Remember us? We are the Divine Love ladies from last night". She remembered and told us she was googling James Padgett and was going to read more. Right then we knew we had made a small imprint on this spiritualist community.

Our gathering may have been small, but our experiences were certainly large and unforgettable. We enjoyed Lily Dale on so many levels and would love to return there in the future with more followers.



**Blackpool, England (August 25-28) – by Terry Adler**

Eleven of us from all parts of the globe – the West Coast of Canada, the USA (Montana, New Jersey, Hawaii), Australia, Namibia, and the United Kingdom – gathered at the World Healing Centre (WHC) in Blackpool.

We were joined in prayers and discussions by several trustees and staff of the Centre whose hospitality we very much appreciated!

Our twice daily prayers were of great intensity, as we joined in singleness of purpose to invite the Presence of God into our souls and into the WHC Sanctuary, a long-established centre of healing.

We were blessed by beautiful, instructive messages from Spirit and felt the Love powerfully! Praying together for

the Love brought us deeper into our souls and strengthened our bonds with one another, as well as with our Father.

We experienced the most loving hospitality from Steve Pyatt and Tom Goodwin of the Waldorf Hotel, who made us feel at home in every possible way.

Each of us was richly rewarded for the effort we made to participate in this gathering, and those spiritual rewards keep on growing.

May our Father continue to bless us with opportunities to gather together in prayer and grow in His/Her Divine Love!



Frankfurt, Germany (August 31 - September 4) – by Arie Hordijk

Ever since Al's guidance in Gibsons last year told us that we were to organise a retreat in our hometown in September 2016, Marion and I slowly and gradually grew into the planning. It all went so easily. Of course, there were a few smaller obstacles (well, that's already too much said) to be cleared and I myself had a couple of moments where my, let's call it "fiery character" caused some impatience. But as time went by, we more and more felt like being in a wonderful flow of good energy, acceptance of whatever presented itself, and tangible angelic guidance. It was fun! And then, as everybody started pouring in from various countries of the world, it got even much more fun, making us feel so blessed and overwhelmed to be allowed to host all these wonderful people.

One big open question – where we actually were confident that it wouldn't be a problem – was how the two groups (mostly experienced Divine Love followers from abroad and relative "newcomers" from Germany) would "work" together and to what extent languages would be a stumbling block.

Well, the first immediately showed to be nothing more than a blessed, big party of instantaneously created friendships, joined laughter and love! After only one morning we really sensed that our group of 30 people had merged into one body of openness, loving awareness of each other, and eager longings for Father's Love in all its aspects.

The two languages worked out fine as well. It was quite a bit of work and a challenge for Helge Mercker and me, but that too was fun! Sometimes we were so mixed up that we would start repeating English stories into English and German into German, not knowing where we were in our heads. That always caused a lot of relaxing laughter and on we went full power!

The Angels were there in an amazingly "well-proportioned", gentle and at the same time wonderfully purposeful manner. There were shorter, warmly inviting and supportive messages, mixed with longer, partly philosophical discourses, and so on and so forth. Because we had chosen to build enough open

space into the schedule in order to have time for improvisation, room for change, and just being flexible, the number of messages was reduced, but I think we all agree that we had a beautiful, very pleasant mixture of it all.

On Saturday, the day of our fun trip to the countryside of Spessart (have a look at Terry Adler's report on [Facebook](#)) we agreed to have a special prayer session in the morning. The need was felt collectively in the whole group of joining our praying forces for bigger causes than just this group. Being aware of the enormous power a group like this can generate on

possibly a cosmic level, we started to brainstorm about global themes and the human condition. We agreed on four major items for which we wanted to ask healing.

- children of our world as our future
- homeless people and fugitives all over the planet
- the lost souls of the earth, cut off or disconnected from our Divine Source
- Mother Earth

Our "prayer champion" beyond praise, Helge Mercker, introduced every theme with a powerful, intense prayer and then the whole group focused all its energy and heartfelt

emotions thereon. This experience was amazing. The energy in the room was almost unbearable. I think that never before have we reached such spiritual power. Everybody was deeply moved and we stayed still for a long time afterwards. God willing, this event has indeed created the healing that we prayed for so fervently.

Another powerful and mostly joyful aspect of this retreat was music. We had one period reserved for a little workshop with our dear friend Steffi Schönemann (Germany) who is a great soul singer. This proved to be a great success. Later during the retreat, we repeated this a couple of times. Jimbeau Walsh (Hawaii) and Thomas Grahl (Germany) joined in with their singing and guitars, and we sang a lovely gospel to a CD-recording. Divine Love Party Singing Time!



UPCOMING RETREATS

Oahu, Hawaii, November 29 - December 10, 2016



The Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation is pleased to announce the following Divine Love Prayer Circles and workshop on the island of Oahu:

**Divine Love Retreat:** Tuesday, November 29 to Friday, December 2 at the home of Gilda Holy in Waianae. Prayer circles will be held at 10:00 am and 4:00 pm daily.

**Unity Windward Church with Pastor Geo Downer:**

Workshop: Saturday, December 3, 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Sunday Service: Sunday, December 4, 11:00 am [Windward Unity Church](#)

Healing Service: Monday, December 5, 12:30 pm



**Divine Love Retreat:** Tuesday, December 6, 10:00 am to Saturday, December 10, 12:00 pm. Prayer circles will be held 10:00 am and 4:00 pm daily at the meeting room, 53-567 Kamehameha Hwy, Punaluu

**Registration:** [divinelovesanctuary@gmail.com](mailto:divinelovesanctuary@gmail.com) or call Reverend Jimbeau Walsh in Punalu'u at 808-392-4809

**Cost:** By donation

2017 California Retreat

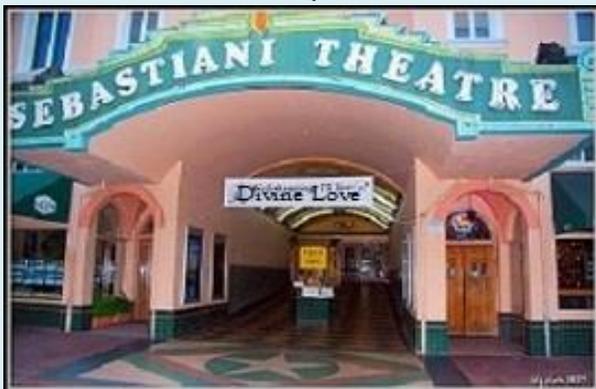
On May 7-12, 2017, FCDT plans to host a retreat at Holly Bianco's timeshare at the WorldMark Resort in Indio, near Palm Springs. Available will be a large 4-bedroom presidential suite, a number of accommodation units, as well as a community room for the twice daily silent prayer circles and musical entertainment. The beautiful resort is near a golf course, a lazy river, and a trail for early morning desert walks. Facilities include several large pools and spas, an indoor gym and recreation room, tennis courts, and a mini-mart. Excursions are planned to the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway and Shields Date Farm and Garden. Registration will begin in early 2017, so for now Save the Dates.



Photo sent by Holly Bianco

REV. TIM FOLEY'S CD UPDATE

Tim Foley - Live

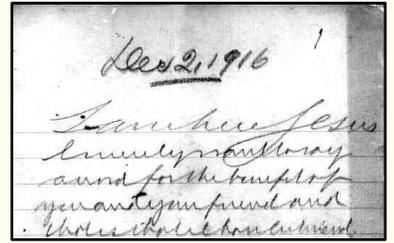


At the Entrance Way

The graphic art for Tim Foley's CD entitled *At the Entrance Way* (containing ten original Divine Love songs, two traditional gospel music pieces, and a booklet with all the lyrics) has been approved on November 2, and the project is now in production. CDs should be ready to ship by November 17 – plenty of time for Christmas stocking stuffers. The CDs might be a good way to introduce newcomers to the Divine Truths in an entertaining way. Pre-release orders are still accepted. Mention this newsletter and get your first CD free! Re-order CDs will be available for \$1 above the wholesale manufacturing cost (which is yet to be determined). To request your free CD or to order additional copies, please email [Tim](#).

## TRANSLATORS SOUGHT

- **Prayer for Divine Love:** 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, 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.



## PRISONER SEEKS LOVE AND MAIL FELLOWSHIP

Eugene Harris, in a Californian prison, has studied and enjoyed books from the church and even held for a time studies with fellow inmates. He would like to have letter contact (he doesn't have email) with other Divine Love followers. If you would like to write to him, his address is: AS-1362, Valley State Prison, A1-11-4Low, P.O. Box 92, Chowchilla, CA 93610, USA.

## WALKING THE PATH BY MICHAEL NEDBAL

It was a summer day, the sun was shining, the sky was a deep blue, and white puffy clouds were slowly passing overhead. Life was good and I felt a deep connection with our Heavenly Father. I was watching the bees drawn to the flowers, the trees swaying in the wind, and the majestic mountains towering in the distance. I thought to myself, it is amazing how the beauty in nature takes on a radiance and becomes even more beautiful when you are in the presence of the Father. My soul was glowing, emotions were blissful, and my thoughts were of gratitude to God for His Love – not just for me, but for all humanity. What a wonderful time to be alive and have this precious gift of closeness to God!

The following day while at work, I was depressed, despondent, and most unhappy. I thought to myself, how could I have been so high, feeling so close to God the previous day and the next day so low? Why isn't the Divine Love providing me with a constant high – a continuous connection with Father? I know that Father's Love never changes, so it must be something that I am doing. This seemed to be a recurring theme with me: extraordinary inflows of God's Divine Love would be followed by great sadness and despondency.

In speaking with others on the Divine Love path, I learned that my experience was not uncommon. Many people had lows following extraordinary highs in the Love. Discussions revolved around the theme of expiation. Expiation occurs when the Divine Love loosens encrustations on the outside of the soul or deeper disharmonies within the soul. These then rise to the surface of our consciousness for us to either release or bury once again for another time. Some have even described pain in association with receiving the Love. I would like to believe that this pain is a good sign in that the individual must have received a great inflowing of the Love and loosened much darkness.

How do we stop this rollercoaster ride of ups when we are in the Love and downs concurrent with expiation?

I'd like to suggest that first we must stop sinning and adding to the incongruences within our soul that are not in harmony with God's Love. If we continue to sin, we will be constantly trying to purge the darkness that we keep adding to our soul. It can be compared to bailing out a vessel. We are bailing out the water (sin) as fast as we can by praying for the Love, but we are continuing to add water as fast as we bail it out! Although it is not quite as simple as I am suggesting, I hope that you understand my point. It is true that the Divine Love will heal us and remove that on which the Law of Compensation operates (you don't have to go through a process of emotional clearing prior to receiving the God's Love). But if we keep sinning, we slow our soul progression.

Sin is a violation of God's Laws. The Ten Commandments in Exodus 20 are not just for those on the natural love path – they apply to Divine Love Christians as well. If kept, they will help all of God's children stay in harmony with God's Laws. By following these commandments, we can effectuate a more rapid progression in the Love. Here are the Commandments in short form:

1. You shall have no other gods before Me.
2. You shall not make idols.
3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet.

The Ten Commandments are all about relationships – with God, with our family, with our community, and with ourselves. Sin is contemplating or committing an act that hurts our relationship with God or one of God's children (including ourselves). Walking in God's Love and Grace is about humility and putting others before ourselves. Ego is subordinated in Grace. The motivation is only Love – a desire to Love and be Loved. This leads us to the Law of God's Love – Jesus' Eleventh Commandment: "Love one another even as I have loved you." (NEW TESTAMENT REVELATIONS OF JESUS, REVELATION 39). JESUS taught, and is still teaching us, to Love each other with the Divine Love in our souls. In this state of "Love" there should ideally be no judgment, no condemnation, no divisiveness, no gossiping, nothing less than the Love. There should only be pure Love for God, ourselves, and all humanity. This is a goal to which we should be aspiring and what Jesus is asking of us. Anything less is putting ourselves in a sinful state.

Having identified, in a broad sense, what sin is and what the Way of Love is, we are now in a position to overcome our inharmonious relationships and return to our true nature as God created us. Through constant prayer, ongoing asking for help, and consciously viewing others through the Father's Eyes, our cups will begin to overflow with God's Love. We'll be able to slow the rollercoaster of emotional ups and downs and start to experience new realities that we never knew existed!

Now that we are getting a handle on our current state of affairs, we can address and release old emotions of trespasses. Making a list of all individuals that have trespassed against you in your life can help to release old traumas. In prayer, go down the list and forgive each person that has hurt you. If you have a hard time forgiving someone, ask the Father for help and mercy. If you don't let go and forgive, that darkness within you will not be released and you will be forced to deal with it at a later time. Isn't it better to start from a clean slate so that you can progress as rapidly as possible to the Kingdom? Give love and forgive. If you are stuck on a person, keep praying and persevering. This process can be an especially difficult for deep traumas, so be gentle with yourself. Pray for God's help and allow the Divine Love to work within your soul.

Next, make a list of all people that you have trespassed against. Ask them for forgiveness in person, if they are still living and if it is possible. In my experience, in the vast majority of cases, the response has been positive and my effort has resulted in a stronger relationship. If you don't receive a positive response, remember that the important thing is your act of seeking forgiveness, not the other party's willingness to accept it. You cannot be responsible for another person's soul and/or any ill feelings that they may hold toward you. God sees your humility and penitence. He sees your desire for change and wanting to be a better person, and will respond. If you can't ask for forgiveness in person, ask that your spirit band bring that person's spirit to you so that you can ask in spirit. When you seek forgiveness, truly mean it in your heart – have empathy and love for that person.

To sum up to this point, a more rapid soul progression can be effectuated by: 1) combining prayers for God's Love and a sincere desire to be a better person by following the commandments, 2) seeking forgiveness from those you have hurt, and 3) forgiving those who have hurt you. Below are a few additional points to help us on the Divine Love path. Taken together, these will accelerate our growth towards the Kingdom and our capacity to take on more of the Father's Love while here on earth.

Be extra gentle and loving with your brothers and sisters in the Divine Love community. We are pillars of God's Love and Light in the world and as such, have a great responsibility to ourselves and others. We need help in letting go of issues that arise from our soul as a result of the inflowing of the Divine Love.

God created us as diverse children with different gifts and interests. When someone is moved by Love to publish a book, channel a message, perform weddings, start an orphanage, initiate a Skype prayer group, or embark on another form of Divine Love ministry, we should encourage them. Even if we don't identify with their efforts, we should send them our Love and allow the Law of Attraction to bring into our lives relationships which are in alignment with our interests.

Trust your own giftedness and avoid putting people on a pedestal. Just because someone can channel, see or hear spirits, or has been praying for God's Love for many years doesn't mean that their guidance is any better than your own, that they have more Divine Love than you, or that their words are more important than yours. God sees each of us as a sparkling diamond and we are all very precious to Him. Find your voice and acknowledge how beloved you are.

If we feel that an individual is acting selfishly, we should pray for them that they may learn their lesson and grow closer to the Father in humility. Catch yourself before you start gossiping about the person's behavior. Instead follow the Eleventh Commandment by sending them Love. You probably have no idea what life experiences they had to deal with. You might act the same way, or even worse, if you had gone through similar experiences.

Pointing a finger of condemnation will only result in fingers being pointed back at you at some time in the future. Jesus teaches us, "Do not judge lest you be judged." Your reactions to the words and actions of others will work to either bring more light and Love into this world or more darkness. Don't allow yourself to be a channel of darkness. Decide and choose to be an angel of Light and Love to every soul you encounter.

Disliking someone's actions can also mean that what they are doing is mirroring something within ourselves that we need to resolve. Ask for help and forgiveness from the Father to release any darkness from your soul and allow in Light and Love. When you can see in a brother or sister a lesson that you have mastered, your heart will touch them with compassion because you will see beyond their actions and notice their goodness despite their behavior.

As the new year 2017 approaches, make a commitment to work on yourself to become a better person. Dedicate yourself to the Father and to the teachings of Jesus. Give your Love to all that you encounter. And in this love, in this compassionate heart and loving one another as Jesus did, your soul will be becoming more and more at-one with the Source of All Goodness.

Let Go! Let God!



**PADGETT MESSAGE**

*John describes the difference between the spirits of the Celestial and the spirit spheres and their happiness.*

I am here, St. John. (Apostle of Jesus.)

I come tonight to write a short time about the truths of the Celestial Spheres in which I live and enjoy the happiness which my Father gives me.

As you may know these Celestial Spheres are above the spiritual spheres, and are inhabited only by spirits who have received the New Birth and who believe in the Truths as taught by Jesus. No other spirits are permitted to enter these spheres, and no other spirits could possibly find any happiness in them, for in them Divine Love is so developed in the souls of the spirits who live there that any spirit not having that Love would find that he is in an atmosphere that is entirely foreign to his qualifications, and he would be most unhappy. But as I say, no spirit who has not that Divine Love, which we tell you about, can possibly enter into these spheres. The walls of demarcation are just as solid and forbidding as are walls of demarcation in your prisons on earth from the outside world.

I live in a city that is most wonderful in its beauty and magnificence, and is filled with structures that surpass anything that you can possibly conceive of. This city is inhabited by spirits who have a wonderful soul development, and are capable of understanding the deep truths of God, which are not given to mortals or spirits in the spiritual spheres.

This may seem a little strange to you, but it is true; for it would be utterly impossible for the spirits of these lower spheres, or for mortals, to understand these higher truths. They cannot be comprehended with what you call the intellectual faculties or the mind, but can be only understood by the soul's perceptions, developed to such a degree that nothing that partakes of the purely material can have an abiding place in that soul.

The mind must stop in its progress at the sixth sphere, and after that only the soul can progress. But this does not mean that the spirit who makes such progress in the Celestial Heavens does not increase in knowledge and understanding, for he does to a greater extent than it could be possible for the mere mind to progress; but this progress of a spirit in knowledge and understanding is a progress of the soul perceptions, of which I speak. The faculties of the soul are as far superior to and above the faculties of what you call the mind as are the heavens above the earth.

So you see the soul does not merely embrace the affections and love of a spirit, but also qualities which enables it to understand and develop the qualities of knowledge at a place where the progress of the mind ceases. It is hard to explain this to you or for you to comprehend its meaning, but this you will understand, that as the soul progresses in its development of its perceptions, knowledge and understanding of all things pertaining to the Celestial World increases. When you properly consider this you will find that it is a wonderful provision of the Father's Love and Grace.

What an important thing to both mortal and spirit is the soul. It can be starved on earth and also in the spirit world; and on the other hand, it can be developed on earth as well as in the spirit world. If mortals would only understand that as regards eternity, the soul is the great thing which they possess, and should be given more care and development than any and all other parts of man's being.

I may come again soon and go fuller into a statement concerning the soul and its functions and importance.

Tonight I will not write more.

With my love and blessings, I am Your brother in Christ, John