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All Peace be with you.

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Comrades, along the Path, the American Occultist sends you love, and peace, and attainment. It is our constant desire and radiation that contact with this weekly message shall bring you a very positive uplift. We hope that as you read you will be unconscious of personalities, and that you will recognize this paper, week by week, as a creative outpouring of cosmic law through a chosen source, to you.

Through the American Occultist you will never be in contact with anything but the Truth, absolute, demonstrable. For ourselves, we feel that we are part of a splendid group of sane, clear minded, men and women. As far as our paper is concerned, there is no human glory or blame involved, for, "It is not we that doeth the works, but the Father who is within, He doeth the Works."

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Laotze-Lao tsu - author of the Tao Teh, says:

The good walker makes no dust.
The good speaker incurs no discussion.
Good men instruct one another; and bad men
are the materials they delve in.
Whoever, therefore, does not honor his teacher
and cherish his material, though he be called
wise, is yet in a state of delusion.

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In Explanation.

It is a part of our graded plan that every third paper, in a regular succession of three shall deal with the Divine or Diamond Selfhood. The concept involved is of paramount importance to every occult student. It must be grasped, not intellectually, as another bit of information; but emotionally, so that it becomes a part of our very being. It must be accepted, not indifferently, but with a whole souled enthusiasm that in itself will prove an inner illumination.

Read the feature article for this week "The Diamond Selfhood" slowly, and then read it again the first thing in the morning of every day during this week. You will awaken forces within you that will transcend old limitations as by magic. You can read and study for years, and yet you will be no nearer the heart of all understanding than you will be through this message.

So regard it as important, for it is. Digest every word, and feel it to be a direct outpouring from the source of all knowledge to that within you which is the same as Universal Mind, except in degree.

The Diamond Selfhood

A Study by Veritas.

Brilliant, crystal clear, intense, your Diamond Self is ever operative within and through the material or physical entity that the milkman would designate as "you." The real "you" is spiritual and can, therefore, never be less than perfect; it can never have any lack, limitation, or disease. It is the source of every flash of genius that you may experience now or never.

Did you ever stop for five minutes of your very busy, active, everyday life and think on your Diamond Self? Try it, - out of mere curiosity if no higher motive propels you, - and experience for yourself the marvelous thrill that will result when you give this dynamic self a few moments attention, just once in a while. The sensation transcends anything in the world of sense, when you once really make the contact.

Brilliant as the diamond's ray, will currents of light flash through you, causing you to fairly scintillate with its energy, and power, and joy for it is the source of all of these in, through and to you, for all eternity.

Crystal clear will its voice speak to you, when you have learned to let it have a recognized place in your consciousness.

Pence, beyond description, will it bring to you at any moment that you will put it first in your attention. Always is it a silent listener at your side, to your every thought, feeling, word and deed. With patience unspeakable does it wait until you turn your attention to it and then, no matter how great your mistakes, how dense your ignorance, how disobedient and willful your senses, it holds open the door to your eternal freedom into the LIGHT that is too bright to look into and the TRUTH that is more true than can be told.

Can you by one effort of your human senses make your heart beat even once? Can you take one step by the power of your human will? The paralytic has learned that the human will is nothing, else he would not remain paralysed. We have all learned, at some time in our experience life, that this little outside self, which we so often think is our identity, is powerless in the face of opposition. If we really have learned this, we should congratulate ourselves, for that is the very first step toward getting acquainted with that wonderful DIAMOND SELF, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift and all the happiness that we ever have or ever will experience in this or any other life. All the real happiness, that ever was manifested on this planet, is the shining through the human self, of that BLAZING DIAMOND SELF of us ALL, IN ALL, THROUGH ALL and OVER ALL.

Not idly was the command given - "LOOK UNTO ME AND BE YE SAVED ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH". Where our attention is we are living that moment. Is it not the greatest of good sense to live with our DIAMOND SELF and can we live there without giving it our attention and recognition?

We all have free will to keep our attention where we wish and surely it is good psychology, good common sense and obedience to the DIVINE MANDATE to keep our attention upon our GLORIOUS DIAMOND SELF.

Every good, constructive, harmonious and true thought, feeling, word or deed that ever went out from any of us to this manifested world came from our DIAMOND SELF. That being true, how can we expect to experience any of the above conditions unless we give it our attention, adoration and obedience?

No architect ever built a house and held a picture of a garage in his mind or let his attention rest upon anything except that which he wished to see manifested in his blue-print and building. Yet the average human being and many who have mental equipment far above the average keep accepting the testimony of the human senses as truth and the human senses never yet told the truth about anything. They are, by their very nature, but

instruments with which we contact the surface of any experience and never can they be a guide to perfect activity until they are illumined by the LIGHT of that BLAZING DIAMOND SELF.

Our eyes tell us that a street comes to a point when we look several blocks ahead of us. Our report from them also is that the sky and land or sea meet at the horizon yet we all know, which knowing is the Light or Truth from our DIAMOND SELF, that in reality they do not meet. The DIAMOND SELF knows from experience or having become one with the thing under examination, all there is to know concerning it. The senses never did and never will know anything but surface knowledge unless illumined by the full truth of the DIAMOND SELF.

This is not belief, opinion or conjecture. It is LAW, COSMIC, IMMUTABLE and ABSOLUTE. One does not need the wisdom of a Solomon nor a Prophet of old to tell him this. It is self-evident fact demonstrable every instant of time by our every day experience. Realizing this the most common sense thing to do in any problem is to turn our attention to our own DIAMOND SELF. First ask it to reveal its DIVINE PLAN about whatever idea we have received and which we have to work out. It will tell us, unmistakably, if we will ask, expect and listen, for it does not contain within its own nature the ability to refuse or disappoint anyone who appeals to it for help. It is the very fountain-head of all the help there is in the universe.

Having received the Divine Plan concerning a problem to be worked out, the most natural thing in the world to do would be, like the Architect, to continually think, see and feel the picture complete as we would like it or, in other words, live in it finished.

If we will use our will to keep our attention on our DIAMOND SELF, we will be keeping in constant communion with the entire Perfected Plan and thus the reports which the human side of us would register in our consciousness are not allowed to blot the picture which is flowing forth from the DIAMOND SELF.

From this BLESSED SELF of you comes first the Divine Plan and then the energy with which to accomplish that plan. The human side of you is but the piece of machinery through which the other activity flows. This is a vastly different picture from the old concept that the human being is a separate self doing things of its own designing and under its own momentum.

In reality the human side of us has nothing, for we do not even own the atoms of our bodies. All that we can ever claim as our individuality is our consciousness, and whatever is perfect that flows through it is the ONE SUPREME SELF manifesting through all form, ALL POWERFUL, ALL KNOWING, EVERYWHERE PRESENT and ABSOLUTE.

This then is that ADORABLE, BLESSED, PERFECT, DIAMOND SELF of you and of each human being with which we all come in contact. It will never deceive you, or bring you inharmony of any kind and is truly that GLORIOUS LIGHT who for all eternity hath said "Lo, I am with you always."

Whatever is harmonious in any person or condition is the pouring forth of this DIAMOND SELF through them to us and since from it comes all PERFECTION whether from within ourselves or to us from another, is it not the greatest wisdom to turn our attention to it, know it as the source of all that will make us happy and be guided by its dictates in all things!

We do not have to listen to the experience of others a little trying within ourselves will soon convince the most skeptical that the CREATOR always transcends his creation. Since we are co-creators with this DIAMOND SELF, at least He is the creator and the human part of us is the machine which He uses in His work of creation, let us consciously run this machine according to the specifications of the MASTER ARCHITECT, OUR DIAMOND SELF, and draw our stream of energy from the Power-house of the universe.

Were you able with your physical eyes to gaze even an instant at the DIVINE GLORY OF YOUR DIAMOND SELF you would never need another thought to direct your attention there for all eternity. There are those who from time to time are given an infinitesimal glance at the BLAZING GLORY of that SELF and when that has happened the experience is a never-to-be-forgotten one. For that instant the bliss is unspeakable, the peace past understanding or description and there remains but one impulse in human consciousness from then on and that is continuous eternal obedience to that ADORABLE SELF and supreme gratitude for the very privilege of consciousness, to behold IT.

YOU, the REAL YOU, is that all GLORIOUS, TRANSCENDANT, INDESCRIBABLE SELF. Is there anything in human experience which it is not worth surrendering for the continuous conscious contact with that SELF? Will you not be amply repaid for what you may call a sacrifice of the things and pleasures of the senses, that you may receive greater happiness and perfection than your human self has ever dared to imagine? Is it not the greatest of good sense and the best investment any of us can make of our time, energy and consciousness, to keep our attention, our thought and our feeling filled full to overflowing with adoration for the only source in the UNIVERSE of Consciousness, Happiness and Perfection?

Remember then, that as long as you have consciousness, you are that GREAT, GLORIOUS, BLAZING, DIAMOND SELF, the ONLY REAL SOURCE of all LIFE, the REAL YOU, with whom you can commune at any instant. IT will never deceive you, never desert you, never give you an inharmony of any kind but is forever, to you and all else in the Universe, all and more than your human self can comprehend or imagine. IT IS EVERPRESENT, ALL KNOWING, ALL POWERFUL, TRANSCENDANT, ADORABLE, UNSPEAKABLE.

KNOW THEN FOR ALL THE REST OF ETERNITY THOU ART THAT SELF, THAT DIAMOND SELF, TO WHICH ALL ELSE IN THE COSMIC SCHEME DOES OBEISANCE IN LOVE AND ADORATION FOR THE MERE CONSCIOUSNESS OF BEHOLDING THY BRIGHT GLORY. THOU THE REAL THOU ART THAT SELF.

I like to sit and meditate on Thee the Christ in me;
To feel myself in Thee and know I'm always free.
To sense Thy glorious Light in me and all I see
Then I can catch one tiny glimpse of all Eternity.

"My Diamond Self I Thank Thee."

SUGGESTED READING

GODS IN EXILE

By

J. J. van der Leeuw

Price \$1.25

This book gives us a perspective of our human existence from the standpoint of our DIVINE SELF. It takes the importance out of the trivial annoyances of every day life. We are shown the relative importance these trivialities bear to the great work that is being accomplished through our human journey in this world.

We need exactly the viewpoint this author holds in order to get a wider consciousness, of the real work, the Ego is doing in relation to the cosmic plan of creation. We have for centuries held our attention so glued to human experience that we have considered everything in our lives from that standpoint only. If we will try to see human existence from the viewpoint of the Ego, we shall be rewarded with a very much wider concept. The author gives us a little light on the unimportance of human activity, which does not serve the plan of the Ego.

He also makes a very important distinction between the right understanding of will and imagination in the controlling of undesirable qualities in the human side of us. The proper understanding of this point alone is worth the entire price of the book. It directs our attention to our DIVINE SELF, and as that is the most important thing in human experience, it is like a magnet in its upward-drawing power.

It will leave you better than it found you, a profit to you.

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A rather arresting wall motto came to attention today:

"If You Haven't Time To Read,
You Haven't Time to Succeed."

Reading is important, but the determining factor is what impression has what you have read, made upon your mind; and that is evidenced by the use you make of your knowledge.

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Use what you have to get what you want. Use of our tools is the key to accomplishment.

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