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JUST TALKING IT OVER

WITH YOU: -

A new world is in the making! Undreamed of readjustments lie ahead for all mankind and every realm of human thinking and endeavor will be effected by the revolutionary changes near at hand. We would term it the transition from the machine age to the mind age.

We look upon that which is taking place in the world as a vast preparation for a new way of Life. This is reasonable, because the world has ever been advancing and all that we see and know is material evidence that there is an infinite plan and that all things are ever working for perfection, and man is but an instrument or a channel for infinite expression.

Electricity we know can be utilized for the creation of light or the creation of heat. What the world needs today is more light and less heat. Let there be light! This should be the affirmation of every individual, and he should visualize that Light means understanding and that Understanding means Freedom from the bondage of fear, worry, and negative thinking and destructive action!

In our last letter to you we stressed ACTION, and we have faith that those who have advanced to the Thirty-ninth Instruction appreciate that these truths accepted, give to the serious and earnest Understanding, Encouragement, and Inspiration, and that you as an earnest student will come to know the joy and happiness which is a natural result of being a part in this great movement and helping to spread the Light of Understanding.

Do not worry or have fears with respect to the daily events chronicled in the press. The night may be dark and it may become darker still. This is but the darkness that precedes the dawn and the advent of a better world.

Those with true insight can appreciate that in the new day those who have this understanding will be the triumphant of earth, and the mantle of leadership will naturally fall upon them, and in the fellowship of those who have equal understanding there will be a sustaining strength.

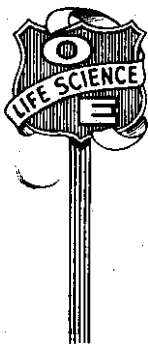
Instruction Thirty-Nine should give you a greater appreciation that you can syphon the power to do, be or have from the Infinite, and give you the realization of your Unity with the Universal.

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INSTRUCTION 39

Insuring to the acceptable and accepted  
HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS.

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EACH INDIVIDUAL MAINTAINS HIS IDENTITY IN LAW, THROUGH HIS PERSONAL USE OF LAW, AND EACH IS DRAWING FROM LIFE WHAT HE THINKS INTO IT. TO LEARN HOW TO THINK IS TO LEARN HOW TO LIVE. MAN, BY THINKING, CAN BRING INTO HIS EXPERIENCE WHATEVER HE DESIRES IF HE THINKS CORRECTLY. THIS IS NOT DONE BY HOLDING THOUGHTS, BUT BY KNOWING THE TRUTH. THERE IS A VAST DIFFERENCE, A DIFFERENCE WHICH TOO FEW REALIZE.

THE TENDENCY OF MODERN THOUGHT IS TO RETURN, BY THE ROUTE OF INDUCTIVE SCIENCE, TO THE GREAT SPIRITUAL DEDUCTIONS OF THE AGES -- THAT ALL IS ONE.

--- ERNEST HOLMES

## TO THE STAGE OF UNITIVE LIFE

We do not have to wait for a milk man or ice man or a delivery boy to bring us the morning light, we awaken, open our eyes and there it is; neither do we have to have anything delivered unto us to comprehend the infinite. We just submerge self, open our minds, and there it is -- Infinite wisdom - Infinite love, Infinite power; the answer to our every problem -- our prayers fulfilled. The great secret is to submerge self -- to have an "infinite consciousness" -- and that stated as a mathematical equation is: Forgetting self, plus giving in every thought and deed, equals realization of inexhaustible supply.

In physics we are familiar with the syphon. There must first be an out flowing, which creates the vacuum, which gathers in the fluid at the source of supply by suction.

Once started, fluid does run uphill - to be discharged at a lower level.

Let us contemplate the parallel. Thoughts of self constitute the column of fluid in the syphon -- We release it, (forgetting or submerging self --- it flows (we give). There is a vacuum created (our needs are expressed) and the supply flows. The infinite supplies the finite (from the higher to the lower level).

It is so, even though there must be an overcoming of the law of gravity and it must flow upward first (our constant giving is the overcoming principle).

With an "infinite consciousness" we harbor no fears, we anticipate no lack, there is a unity between us and principle and universal laws. We realize we are part and parcel with them -- we operate and direct their course by our conscious thinking -- but we know that directions must be followed, just as directions for operating things mechanical must be followed to make them function. The directions are plain and simple -- "Seek ye first righteousness and all else will be added unto you." And why not? All Nature works for good - for perfection - for right-use-ness, and when you are working to that end - that unites You and the Infinite.

The love principle unerringly points the way of right-use-ness (righteousness). Love of good - Love of service - Love of fellow man -- an all encompassing Love that can focus upon the inherent, inborn, natural good, though the surface or expression has been marred by misunderstanding or misdirected efforts, whatever the cause may have been.

Thus was born the expression, "One with God is a majority." In all that we do, if we just keep our minds on the infinite - that there is an infinite - and that all burdens and all problems have a purpose, and are not to be a matter of concern or worry, but are just elementals that go into bringing about the ultimate good - though you understand not at the time - we can face them with joy and anticipation. You have learned that to expect a happy ending -- to confidently expect it - is one of the power elements that helps bring it into being.

With a complete understanding that there are things spiritual - and that we have within us the ability to measure them within ourselves from a quantitative as well as a qualitative basis, although there may be as yet no accepted standards whereby another may evaluate them, we realize they are the most vital and important things in life. This constitutes knowledge. We not only say it is so -- we know it. -- Then must follow right-use-ness. We must develop spirit - by exercise, use, and expression.

The world will recognize the subtle effect, be influenced by it, and accord it recognition. The fact that it has no specific gravity or quality for human measurement does not make it the less real.

Most human beings are like cattle - they have the herd instinct; they wish to conform to the mass consciousness. They relate spirit to the dead. They deny its reality because there are no human so-called scientific, instrumentalities for evaluating it.

As late as the period of the Renaissance - less than two hundred years ago, chemistry was a hybrid, part science, part religion, and part magic, and had no instruments for measurement, weighing or evaluating elements.

Upon the work of Roger Bacon of about 1268 A.D. and his opus majus, and of Paracelsus (Phillipus Aureolus Theophrastus Bombastus von-Hohenheim) in the early fifteen hundreds, and Robert Boyle of about 1650, and of Georg Ernest Stahl, with his phlogiston, who was for nearly a hundred years the demigod of Science, the inspired prophet of a perfect theory (which fell), Joseph Priestly, - Henry Cavendish and Antoine Laurent Lavoisier in about 1768 gave the world its first means of weighing and evaluating the elements such as oxygen - hydrogen and other elements. Before that date it was a matter of superstition, and wild conjecture, and uncoordinated speculation, and false theory.

In our modern world chemistry now occupies a key position. Without it civilization would fall to the ground - and yet the real science of chemistry is less than two hundred years old.

In that period our minds have been devoted to the material, to invention and discovery with respect to things, but scant indeed has been our study or research with respect to mind, which is responsible for these things, with respect to our thoughts, which are the seed of things, with respect to emotions, feeling, spirit, the motivating influence and power behind our thinking and action, with respect to man himself in all his aspects.

The great science of the coming days will be the science of man - Life Science.

What we call the sciences had to battle every foot of its progress -- It was fought by religionists and by the organized church.

The sciences are now something of an established church. They have their endowments and institutions. There is apparent a great danger to progress. Perhaps science itself will become a conservative dogma desperately and ferociously opposed to a new kind of thought growing out of modern philosophical physics, or the still-to-be-discovered phenomena of the mind.

An education which consists wholly of knowledge getting, and in which the training of the emotions and character constituents are entirely left to chance, is not calculated to fit a man or woman for the delicate complications of personal relationships, or for the rough and tumble of life in trade and the professions.

Intelligence is almost useless to those who possess nothing else. The pure intellectual is an incomplete human being. He is unhappy because he is not capable of entering the world which he understands.

There is such a stage as unitive life, when man is conscious of being in, of having come from, and being a part of the universal. In that consciousness man acts with and manifests and expresses the omnipresence we call God.

From "Man The Unknown," by Alexis Carrel, let us give you a few scattered expressions which definitely fit in with the lesson we are trying to bring home to you.

"In the absence of concentration, intelligence is unproductive. Once disciplined, it becomes capable of pursuing truth. But to reach its goal it requires the help of moral sense. Great scientists always have profound intellectual honesty --- They never seek to substitute their own desires for facts, or to hide these facts when they become troublesome. The man who longs for the contemplation of truth has to establish peace within him. His mind should be like the still water of a lake."

"The happiest and most useful men consist of a well integrated whole of intellectual, moral and organic activities. The quality of these activities, and their equilibrium, gives to such a type its superiority over the others. Their intensity determines the social level of a given individual. - - - "

- - - "The development of complete human beings must be the aim of our efforts - - - - Humanity has never gained anything from the efforts of the crowd. It is driven onward by the passion of a few abnormal individuals, by the flame of their intelligence, by their ideal of science, of charity and of beauty. - - - Organic modifications are observed to correspond to the succession of the states of consciousness - - - Mind and organism commune in man - - Man thinks, invents, loves, suffers, admires and prays with his brain and all his organs."

After journeying this far in the teachings of this Order, we trust that of your own accord you have concluded that the worthwhile search and endeavor to which you should bend every effort is to the discovery of your real self. - The real You of your being - (reread Instruction #1). That is the one thing which when known, all is known; which when found, all else is within your reach.

We are just completing an age or era in which man has focused the light of his thinking upon material things. He has set into motion a race consciousness which has separated man and nature. When we have spoken of "human nature" we have mostly done so in connection with perverseness, obstinancy, contrariness, petulance; - we have put a wide gulf between nature and human nature, between the individual and the universal.

We have during this age, given encouragement to the idea that man and nature were at war. We speak of "wresting things from nature" as though the bounties of nature were the prizes of conquest, and life itself were the laurels of Victory in a battle with the elements, - and our wealth and property rights came about by subduing or overcoming nature.

Even superficial thinking should call forth praise, gratitude and thanksgiving, and a whole-hearted recognition that all we have and are is nature's gift - and that the principle of cooperation and not combat, and that the laws of love, of good, of reciprocity, of giving and balanced compensation have produced our states of civilization, material, mental cultural.

Only by harmony between the individual and the universal has man achieved - it could not be otherwise, for the laws that govern the universe include man. The whole world and man are included in one great truth principle.

We now know that there are no two thumb prints in the world alike, and it is likewise true there are no two individuals alike. Each a different character - each a different personality. It is true whether you know it or not that the cells of the body of each individual are different.

That is easy to understand when we realize that every thought we think has its effect upon the cells of the body - and each individual is a law unto himself as regards his thinking.

Each came out of the infinite, as an expressing medium for the infinite - Each remains in it - and none can be separated from it. Each puts into and takes from the universal, expression.

What is the means or medium for this putting and taking? - Man's thinking. - Thinking is power. It is action. It is contact with universal -- it repels -- it attracts -- it is very real. It is the determining factor in man's well being, - physical, spiritual, and material.

As James Allen says. "Tis true that mens thoughts blossom into deeds, and his deeds bear the fruitage of character and destiny. Thoughts have a way of externalizing in words, actions and accomplishments. Sorrow and gladness, suffering and enjoyment, hope and fear, hatred and love, ignorance and enlightenment are solely mental conditions."

"Life in its entirety proceeds from the mind. Inward processes of thought make up the sum of character and life. All growth and life is from within outward; all decay and death is from without inward. - This is a universal law."

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THOUGHT GEMS

If you receive little, it is due to your small capacity to receive, not to a lack or a scarcity at the fulfilling source.

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Christianity began with one.

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Never live in hope or expectation, while your arms are folded. God helps those that help themselves. Providence smiles on those who put their shoulders to the wheel that propels to wealth and happiness.

It is only the constant exertion and working of our sensitive, intellectual, moral, and physical machinery that keeps us from rusting, and so becoming useless. -- C. Simmons

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The race of mankind would perish did they cease to aid each other.--We cannot exist without mutual help. All therefore that need aid have a right to ask it from their fellow-men; and no one who has the power of granting can refuse it without guilt.--Walter Scott.

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Men are not to be judged by their looks, habits, and appearances; but by the character of their lives and conversations, and by their works.--It is better to be praised by one's own works than by the words of another.--L'Estrange.

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Inward religion, without the outward show of it, is like a tree without fruit, useless, and the outward show of religion, without inward sincerity, is like a tree without heart, lifeless. -- Venning

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