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Dedicated to our Loving Heavenly Father and all His children on the way to His Divine Kingdom.

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Preface

The conversations in this book come from the Divine Love Sanctuary Facebook group. The group welcomes all faiths, creeds, nationalities, and spiritual beliefs. Members believe that God exists and that every soul in the universe is loved by God. God's Love is substantive and can be brought into our souls with sincere prayer. This energy is transformative as it purifies and awakens the soul.

The group's focus is to inform and inspire others to pray for the inflowing of God's Love into their souls. The hope is that those who join the group might share some of their spiritual experiences and/or ask questions about their journey and soul awakening that others may in turn comment on and everyone can learn and be edified. This volume covers 16 topics.

May this book become a helpful resource to the group participants and others who may come across it. May the insights gained from sharing these experiences accelerate everyone's progress on the Divine Love path as we all walk, both collectively and individually, toward our Heavenly Father's Kingdom.

Are Soul Yearnings Acts of Will?

Question: When praying for Divine Love, we are told to put our soul yearnings forward in prayer. Are soul yearnings an act of will? To me, these are two different things. Soul longing feels different to our willful desires. The mind expresses itself in a different way than the soul. Would anyone like to comment on these ideas?

Response: God's Love is available to the soul. The soul exercises its free will through emotions. God in turn sees the soul longing with emotion and free will and the Love is delivered unbeknown to the mind. But your soul longings must be the key to unlock and visualize and possess the Love. Thus Divine Love and faith go hand in hand.

Response: I believe that "will" and "willful desires" are not the same. To reach out to God requires an act of will. To reject God is another act of will.

I believe the soul yearns in a similar way to hunger. You can choose via will to feed the soul with God's Love or you can try and feed the need with something material instead by not understanding the difference. In the material world this is what is happening, I think.

Response: For those of us who don't believe we have conscious awareness of our souls, yearning in prayer sure seems like an act of will ... there's something that's mindful,

but there's also a feeling that (hopefully) involves the heart and/or soul. I am a big fan of this line, written by a 14th century monk in a book called *The Cloud of Unknowing*: "lift your heart up to the Lord, with a gentle stirring of love desiring him for his own sake and not for his gifts." Maybe some of us DO experience these soul longings, but not knowing what to do with them, feed them (or suppress them) with something material.

Response: Sometimes I find myself trying too hard in my yearning for God's Love, i.e., mind getting in the way. Often if I 'back off' a bit and just place myself in God's presence and relax, it is easier to connect and find the flow. I really loved the above quote from *The Cloud of Unknowing*.

Response: Yes! I very much relate to what you say. When I have tried too hard, my mind and wilfulness became engaged and it began to dawn on me that this "straining" to receive the Love was based on a false belief that I might not deserve it or wasn't trying hard enough or wasn't doing the "right thing". At some point, I had had enough of God's Love to trust it was always present and all I had to do was open to its presence. That works much better than straining as if the Love is elusive and unattainable except through exertion! The Love is real, substantial and always available when we manage to get our minds/thoughts/false beliefs out of its way!

Response: I came across this comment in another FB group. Apparently in the original Hebrew for Psalm 46:10 ("Be still and know that I am God"), "the command to 'be still' comes from the Hiphil stem of the verb *rapha* (meaning to be weak, to let go, to release), which might better be translated as, "cause yourselves to let go" or "let yourselves become weak." I'm not a Hebrew scholar and am suspicious of stuff on FB, but I love the sentiment!

Response: I have felt what might be called the "ardour" of my soul when in deep prayer. It feels very different from that straining wilful desire of wanting to receive. The opening, reaching, joyful affirming of God and His Love is a more accurate description of the experience.

"Will" denotes mind which is part of the process but a very small part in my estimation. That state of connection and exchange of loving expressions of our soul to God's Great Soul and back again is the most blissful spiritual experience that I know of. Often though, I will stress and strain in earnest wilful desire for this Gift. Engaging the mind and not successful in bringing the soul into the conversation is what leads to this situation.

Sometimes one can melt into God Consciousness while at other times the density of the material world gets in the way. I live for the former and at times experience the latter, but mostly my experience is a combination of the two. *Response:* Beautifully expressed genuine "soul-knowing" of the differences between soul and mind in relationship to our Father.

Response: For me soul yearnings are an expression of my "desire". Yearning and longing for me are emotional states as opposed to intellectual states. This emotional state is generated from the soul, while an intellectual state is generated from the mind. Having a strong proclivity for the mind and intellect comes from a place of being "mind dominant" rather than "soul dominant". Mind dominance is self-reliance and the natural love path, while soul dominance is God reliance and the Divine Love Path.

Will, in the sense of free will, comes from the soul. Will, in the sense of willing myself to do things, comes from the mind.

Desires are either in harmony with love from God's perspective or not. Wilful desires are definitely out of harmony with love and so if/when I have them, I dive into the emotions creating them and when I experience those driving emotions fully, my desires come into harmony with Love and Truth.

The mind certainly expresses itself differently to the soul. The mind is just a tool of the spirit body. The spirit body, with its mind, is merely an appendage of the soul. Or, as AJ Miller calls it, "the stupid servant of the soul".

Response: My best response to this question is that I always pray for the Divine Love when I feel I should. And then it does take a little bit of will/effort to pull myself together and form a prayer to our Father. But oftentimes what I plan to say to Him doesn't come out. It is as if my soul guides what words to use and then I can't really use my will for the prayer. My soul seems to take over and in that moment I start my prayer.

Feeling Our Emotions

Question: How we feel our emotions?

Response: I think our emotions arise from the thoughts we have. Positive thoughts create positive emotions and negative thoughts create negative emotions. If we control our thoughts, we control how we feel.

Response: Wait until you are very pleased or happy over something or angry or frustrated, etc., and you may observe your emotions at play. Any emotional state may be redirected and re-used.

If you are happy, then that's easy but you can also use the negative states too. For example, "I am so frustrated, Lord that I am not receiving as much of your Divine Love as I truly desire."

Helping others will induce the most positive emotional states. Send a secret gift to someone you love and see how that makes you feel.

Response: Starting my day with prayer incites positive feelings and clears out much of the unwanted baggage. With sincere prayer for God's Love you can incite the laws of attraction to foster an atmosphere of love and positivity. Fear is banished with prayer as are negative feelings as the

mind is gently calmed in prayer lifting our thoughts higher and feeling at peace.

Young men often have trouble with thoughts and desires. So it takes a lot of discipline and consistent prayer to rise above these things. It's not that these things are bad, just that higher thoughts and motivations gives a better perspective and brings one closer to God.

Response: Everyone has a spirit guide and a guardian in the spirit world whose passion it is to help us. Your guide's joy is to help you and your guardian's passion is to keep you safe. If you would like help understanding spiritual things you can always ask your spirit guide. You don't need to be able to hear their answers -- they will find a way to show you the answer. They completely understand your challenges and will help you when you ask. It would help you if you ask for a Divine Love guide -- if you haven't already.

Changes as a Result of Divine Love

Question: Having prayed for and received God's Love, do has this experience changed your attitudes towards yourself and others? Are you more loving and positive in your perspective? Have you become less judgmental and more compassionate or less so? Can you explain how you have shifted in this regard?

Response: Yes to all of the above questions! Judgment can't co-exist with Love Divine, either towards oneself or others. Negative judgments continue to come up and I continue to take responsibility for deepening the Love within me so as to release judgment. As my faith and awareness of the reality of God's Love grows, this process becomes easier and swifter. I welcome the opportunity to become aware of the judgemental attitudes that lurk within me so I can cleanse myself of them with the help of God's Love.

Response: I have certainly become more loving and compassionate over the years. Less fear-based perspectives and more appreciation for life and everyone within my life. With age, wisdom and a brighter soul, I see everything in a different light. God is everywhere in my life and this brings me more joy and uplifting experiences. Serving God in whatever way I am guided to do also brings greater joy.

Letting go of mindful expectations and being more attuned to the perspective of soul releases a lot of my judgments and negative self-talk. My thinking has changed, as have my priorities in life. Compared to 20 years ago, I am a much happier camper. It took time, effort and patience but when I look back on my life, I see a lot of shifts and changes, especially those in my thinking and doing. We experience change anyway in our lives, but what has happened to me personally is quite remarkable. I owe much of this to the effects of receiving God's Love. It is a game changer to be sure.

Response: How many years did it take Padgett to recognise Divine Love in his own soul? It seems that at times he was oblivious to it and had to be reminded by the celestials.

Response: Yes, it does take time, although not always. When I first heard about Divine Love in my early twenties, I felt an uprising of joy from my gut and a burning sensation in my solar plexus. That is what convinced me to further pursue this path.

Many feel something akin to joy or recognition of this truth when first encountering it. It depends on the nature of the seeker. Some 'feel' their way through, while others take a more intellectual stance. I believe this is why more women than men are drawn to Divine Love because it is

essentially a feeling experience requiring a leap of faith rather than being intellectually gratifying.

The nature of women is usually an openness to their hearts. Men often prefer logic. Although the teachings of Divine Love are logical and sensible, it's a bit shy on detail compared to many 'New Thought' practices. I've lived by my gut feelings and have learned to trust them over what the mind dictates as the right decision. I never regretted choosing the Divine Love path and am very grateful to a medium for introducing it to me some 45 years ago.

Earth Changes and Prayer

Question: If Earth changes are inevitable and a part of God's plan for a New Age, then how will our prayers help?

Response: They keep our friends and families safe and give us guidance in the midst of the changes.

Response: I understand praying for friends and generally for Divine Love, but there must be some things which are actually subverting a Divine Plan. From the Divine point of view, this is only a brief sojourn in the Earth plane starting along a very long journey. I am sort of playing Devil's Advocate here in order to inquire as to where prayer may be most effective.

Response: I do my best to keep my soul in the flow of God's Divine Love. Into that flow my mind sometimes interjects hopes and fears. I do my best to trust that my prayers are in some way contributing to the fulfillment of God's Plan for the salvation of humanity and the healing of the earth. My mind sometimes inserts very specific desires into my prayers that it would like to see realized, but I do my best to be humble, knowing that I don't have a clue as to what is for the best. And so I come back to doing my best, to have faith and trust that God uses every opportunity (no matter how much my mind judges those opportunities) to invite souls to receive Divine Love and all of the blessings it brings.

So I guess for me prayer has a lot more to do with what it allows God to do within me than whatever effects it may have on those circumstances and situations that I perceive to be outside of my tiny self. Hopefully in some small way, my efforts in prayer are at least somewhat in harmony with God's Will and to that extent may be contributing something toward the fulfillment of God's Plan.

Response: I was actually asking myself this question this morning, feeling a little defeated. Your response reminds me to take a step back and simply pray and allow my prayers to be used where and how they are needed. Thank you I really needed this.

Response: In reality, there are bigger problems on the earth. People are suffering every day from violence, malnutrition, displacement, despondency, etc. The present fires are a brief flicker, but the media love it. I figure there are hundreds of billions of spirits in the spirit realms going about their business, oblivious to what is happening in a small patch, on a tiny planet in the cosmos. The earth will regenerate and babies are being born as we read.

Response: My prayers are for all people of the world. We as Divine Love followers and others like us who know of the truth, will lead others to the knowledge to have no fear of the changes in this world. We need to give all people understanding that riots, stealing, looting, killing, etc. will

not help anyone. We need to show them that only pulling ourselves together with God's Love and love for each other will eventually get us through these changes and bring us into a new world of hopefully giving, loving and sharing.

Response: God's laws set in the foundation of creation encourage us to move to a more loving condition. The laws are perfect and loving. The idea that God makes or has a plan to restore man to a path in every cycle or generation is man's desire to make sense of that which he can't control.

Response: If the above comment is correct, then these Earth changes or corrections are purely down to Mother Earth and the creative principle and the laws that they follow and not a specific Divine Plan – just the natural reaction to certain laws. That being the case, there is no Divine plan as such to worry about. I am sure I will be corrected if I have misunderstood?

Response: No amount of prayers is going to help what Mother Nature is doing and has done several times in the past billion years. We just happen to be here this time while she's doing her changing. Again, all peoples need to unite in love and help each other get through this, this indeed will change our world into goodness.

Response: Yes, mankind and freewill mess with the spirit of life because we do things out of harmony

Response: To add to what has been said, I imagine that in times of tremendous terror, grief, catastrophe, etc., one is much more willing to realize they need God in a big way. Also, perhaps as places turn to God and their inner spiritual connection grows, they will become shining beacons for the rest of the world to follow when strife hits. Who knows, maybe Australia will somehow teach the rest of the world about the importance and effects of prayer. I do really like and agree with the comment that is a huge reason for prayer during these times. My personal feelings on the reason for the changes are both related to a natural cycle as well as humanity's darkness exacerbating it. Had we been a more spiritually connected society and less focused on our minds, perhaps we would have been in communication with spirits and other positively oriented dimensions, who could guide all of us much more easily, making the natural cycles less dramatic.

Response: Prayer doesn't change anything. It only changes our mindsets towards the changes in the world.

Response: I have heard that prayer can aid in the protection of those under the hand of God, but have no personal experience of this apart from the 2 x 9 lives I have had – lots of close escapes from death which may of course just be chance or maybe not!

Response: Interesting. So you personally believe you have been reincarnated?

Response: No all in this life. I have had many close calls from which I have stepped unscathed. Definitely more than a cat's 9 lives!

Response: As active as you are, I'm not surprised. And look at all the stories you'll have to tell when you arrive home

Response: They probably know all about them already! Someone up there obviously saw something in me and wanted me to stick around a bit. At least that's my take on it as by the laws of chance I should definitely not be here!

Response: Well in that case, I would just stick around here as long as possible with your adventures, and give the folks on the other side something to watch and talk about. Evidently you give them pleasure.

Response: I have personally had a tornado stop at the very instant I called out to God to save my house. I have absolutely no doubt that prayer works.

Response: I liked what Jesus wrote through Dr. Samuels when studying the events around Joseph being sold into slavery by his brothers. This was a mixture of natural disasters and human sinfulness, yet God was able to teach of his love and nearness through all the events,

resulting in a profound story. God could have intervened at any point, but he allowed individual wills to show that love prevails.

Also, when Howard Storm, during his NDE, asked Jesus why bad things happen to good people, he was shown a vision of the holocaust in which people were being killed in the gas chambers. As he watched, he saw each spirit rise from a dying body, being embraced by loving spirits awaiting their arrival. The newly arrived were overcome with joy, completely oblivious to what had just happened. This put things into perspective for Howard.

Response: There are people praying today that Iran be vanquished. There are people praying today for an end to fires in the Amazon and Australia. There are people praying today for world peace. Praying for accident victims, disease victims.

These prayers will all go unanswered. Why? Most of these people believe that all things are ordained by the God they are praying to to stop the things they believe God ordained. Can you see the problem? The physical laws that govern the universe are the only laws God ordained. Science seeks to understand these laws. All creation is governed by the same laws and they were established in the beginning. The changes that the earth goes through are not personal. They occur irrespective of man's needs. There is

no God to stand between us and the laws governing the universe.

At the same time God's love is not a romantic personal love, but an invitation to share in creation. We cannot affect things with prayer because we have no power. We have no power because we are not loving enough to be trusted with power. What if we had the power of love in a desire to heal the planet? With a desire, we would also have the power to destroy our neighbour.

When I was a little boy, I was mad at my mom and wished she would die. This is the first time I saw the relationship between having power and using it in an unloving way.

We cannot have the power that prayer promises until we develop in love to the point that we would only do loving things. Why could Jesus heal? Because he could be trusted. So, instead of praying for things as if God was some sort of order fulfillment process, why don't we develop in love? We can only be true co-creators with the power to create when we have developed sufficiently in love to be trusted. Let us focus on developing our souls to make it so.

Response: Interesting comment that resonates with me given where I am on this journey. Your mileage may vary, but I also see a bit of an overlap in this idea of developing

in love with what people in the new thought space teach with respect to prayer.

Response: Beautifully said. Jesus said that he could make our burdens light, he didn't say he would remove our burdens.

Response: As far as praying to "vanquish Iran", God does not answer prayers that are out of harmony or in a way that is out of harmony. He loves all His children so would never answer a prayer that calls for any of His children to suffer. In the case of Australia, we have already seen prayers answered because doing so would be in harmony. God does answer prayers that are calling for harmony but may not answer in the way we expect or the time. (Jesus: The Law Of Activation. D.L. 20 May 1987)

Response: We are indeed currently living in a very dangerous play pen. The good news is that it's how we choose to play that counts, not whether we stay alive in the process.

This is easy to say for me sitting safely in the comfort of home away from all foreseeable danger. It just seems selfserving to only pray for oneself, even though I get the logic of bringing down more Divine Love into the world.

Response: Here is <u>a link</u> to further messages received on earth changes.

Response: There is also the problem created when we pray for protection for a particular group of people, especially when the event is well under way. It assumes that God is partial in his treatment. I think it's best to accept that natural laws are in place and that the wise understand this and are as prepared as they can be and that natural love can be practised. I'm reminded of Victor Frankl, who survived the Nazi concentration camps, when he said that the Nazis could take away his freedoms, but they couldn't take away his attitude, or words to that effect.

Response: By our sheer numbers, we are co-creators of the earth. Not even considering those mental and soulful energies that are emanating from us constantly, our physical actions have their effect and deeply so. Prayer can have its effect and does. We are not victims of the physical world or the edicts of God in all its harshness, rather we can align ourselves with the Will of God and play a small part in the outcomes of earth changes and actions in positive ways.

I don't believe that God is impartial. Rather He seeks connection and love from us humans. The reward for that is growth in natural and Divine Love. As we grow in these ways, we have the potential to express gifts and abilities of the soul and mind energized with love and positive intent in ways that can change the world.

It's the stubbornness and stuckness of our mental perspectives and fears which block these potentials as they grow within our soul and this fosters acquiescence and apathy. The mind then dominates, assesses our limited potential and sees no way beyond this paradigm of thought.

It is correct to say that we need to grow in God's Love. However, we should not put limits on the potential of the soul and especially what can be accomplished in alignment with God's Will at any given moment. Prayer is powerful and can elicit the higher laws of God in ways of bringing harmony and intercession. God wants us to ask and to be in harmony with His Will and laws.

Connection is all about that — feeling, yearning and asking. It works. I've seen outcomes in my own life that have proven the power of prayer to me. It does not merely change your focus or attitude but can change physical things and situations too. Why else would I continue in prayers for the situation in Australia if I did not have faith that they do indeed help? It's a no brainier in my world and reality.

Response: My own approach to this is always to add to my prayers "If it is Father's Will." I realise these Earth changes have to occur. The energy has to be released. Innocents will suffer. It's not for me to know what exceptions Father will make, but I can assure you that friends in Australia in the midst of the fires, as well as their neighbors have been protected.

When they evacuated, the hot embers were falling like snow, and they got burnt on the skin from the hot eucalyptus leaves that had travelled 80 km to come down there as they got into their car to leave. Burning embers have wiped out houses that were not close to fire fronts all across Australia, but despite their house having inches of burnt leaves, NOTHING caught fire. That's not luck, it's angelic interference.

Response: And truly answered prayers!

Response: I like the addition to prayer, "If it's Father's will". I can see how when discussing this subject, I have personally vacillated between mind and soul and of course that is to be expected.

I believe that anyone reading these various answers would gain a great insight into the human condition and our relationship with the Divine.

Response: Putting a timeline on these things is fraught with danger. In reality, earth changes have been occurring for millennia. What's different now is that we have unprecedented numbers of humans on earth, with an ever increasing footprint, putting pressure on resources. Surely it's up to humans to fix the problem. Also, what is the future

of the planet anyway, once all souls have been individualised and obtained a spirit body?

Response: This might assist in understanding why the fires are happening in such unprecedented way. Scientist David Packham on what's really causing the bushfires - Nights with John Stanley - Omny.fm

Response: What a great question and discussion! Many things have been said that I agree with whole heartedly. I do want to highlight a few things. One is about God's Will.

I too invariably add to my prayers, "if it is in harmony with God's Will" because God has the big picture and only God knows how any change, even minor, may affect the whole. Plus, God intimately knows the Laws of His own creation which He respects and does not violate nor interfere with.

We are also repeatedly reminded that God never interferes with our free will. And ever since the first humans were given the breath of life and the free will choice of whether to seek God's for Love or develop independently, humankind (with the exception Aboriginal Peoples) have repeatedly chosen the mindful path of independence and in the process, violated nature rather than showing respect for natural laws. Plus, humans' thoughts and deeds have created a dark, oppressive condition, spiritually as well as materially, over this Earth.

So, the Earth changes are not simply naturally occurring cycles, but rather powerful efforts on the part of Earth to cleanse the disharmonious, man-made conditions that threaten to destroy all forms of life here. In the process of Earth's efforts to heal itself, vast numbers of living creatures including humans will perish.

However, as was pointed out, God gifted us with souls that when activated by God's Love given in response to our free-will choice to seek it, can become channels for God's intercession, given in accordance with His Laws (which at present none of us has the soul development to fully comprehend). So, we are repeatedly encouraged to pray, and pray some more, so our souls will be in ascendency over our minds and capable of receiving the guidance of God which alone can save/help us through these enormous calamities that will continue. So that is what I am doing, praying for God's Love to grow my soul because I am convinced that my mind can help me only if it is guided by the wisdom of my soul, gifted by God!

Response: Prayers for both our own growth in the Love and the threatening situation would never go astray. There is indisputable evidence that they had been answered at different times by making a horrible situation less horrible, but giving people strength to cope, and in various other ways. The answer may not be exactly the way we wanted, but it was for the good of ourselves and/or others

concerned and God's purpose would still be accomplished. It is awesome how our friends' home had been protected — no doubt as a result of theirs and others' prayers.

Response: From my observation, the only thing we should desire is Divine Love. Everything is governed by God's laws. Not negotiable absolute laws. So what is being created is what we desire. The world changes at the physical level of creation, when our desires change. Our desires can change by natural love. Our desires can change by Divine Love.

When desires change, becoming more loving, closer to God, the creation changes. God is not a universal order system. This is a throwback concept that needs to die. It stops us from seeing what is actually required. The only thing that is required is the reception of Divine Love through prayer. Very personal. Not done in groups. "Go into your closet and work out your own salvation." Sharing our experience of God is important. But praying a wish list is asking God to break His laws, in my observation and experience.

In response to your recent note about prayer and God's natural law, here is something interesting:

Subject: Einstein's letter to his daughter

A letter from Albert Einstein to his daughter: on The Universal Force of Love

Albert Einstein (14 March 1879-18 April 1955) is perhaps best known for being a theoretical physicist and for receiving the 1921 Nobel Prize in Physics "for his services to Theoretical Physics". A lesser known fact about arguably one of the most intelligent men of modern times is that he was also a prolific sender of personal notes and letters upon his own personalised letterhead.

In the late 1980s, Einstein's daughter Lieserl donated 1,400 letters written by Einstein to the Hebrew University. The text of one of them is reproduced below for you. Having been sent by Einstein to his daughter, this letter shows a very different side to Einstein's personality and his outlook on the world.

"When I proposed the theory of relativity, very few understood me, and what I will reveal now to transmit to mankind will also collide with the misunderstanding and prejudice in the world.

I ask you to guard the letters as long as necessary, years, decades, until society is advanced enough to accept what I will explain below.

There is an extremely powerful force that, so far, science has not found a formal explanation to. It is a force that includes and governs all others, and is even behind any phenomenon operating in the universe and has not yet been identified by us. This universal force is LOVE.

When scientists looked for a unified theory of the universe, they forgot the most powerful unseen force. Love is Light, that enlightens those who give and receive it. Love is gravity, because it makes some people feel attracted to others. Love is power, because it multiplies the best we have, and allows humanity not to be extinguished in their blind selfishness. Love unfolds and reveals. For love we live and die. Love is God and God is Love.

This force explains everything and gives meaning to life. This is the variable that we have ignored for too long, maybe because we are afraid of love because it is the only energy in the universe that man has not learned to drive at will.

To give visibility to love, I made a simple substitution in my most famous equation. If instead of $E = mc^2$, we accept that the energy to heal the world can be obtained through love multiplied by the speed of light squared, we arrive at the conclusion that love is the most powerful force there is, because it has no limits.

After the failure of humanity in the use and control of the other forces of the universe that have turned against us, it is urgent that we nourish ourselves with another kind of energy...

If we want our species to survive, if we are to find meaning in life, if we want to save the world and every sentient being that inhabits it, love is the one and only answer.

Perhaps we are not yet ready to make a bomb of love, a device powerful enough to entirely destroy the hate, selfishness and greed that devastate the planet.

However, each individual carries within them a small but powerful generator of love whose energy is waiting to be released.

When we learn to give and receive this universal energy, dear Lieserl, we will have affirmed that love conquers all, is able to transcend everything and anything, because love is the quintessence of life.

I deeply regret not having been able to express what is in my heart, which has quietly beaten for you all my life. Maybe it's too late to apologize, but as time is relative, I need to tell you that I love you and thanks to you I have reached the ultimate answer! ".



Response: After posting this letter a few years back it was pointed out to me that it was proven to be a fake. I like it nonetheless.

As for your perspective, prayer in groups, prayer alone, prayer anytime is effective if it is sincere. You have reduced the spiritual capacities of humans to one focus which I think is a bit short sighted. We are multidimensional beings with multidimensional abilities. It's a wide spectrum of realized and unrealized potentials, but certainly a soul infused with Divine Love accelerates and makes possible certain gifts and abilities not possible to an untransformed soul. It does not mean that a soul utilizing just natural love is incapable of spiritual manifestations, just limited by the fact of no or very little Divine Love within.

Response: As long as we believe God is an order system, we won't do the work ourselves. First you sharpen the saw.

Then you cut the tree. As long as we believe, especially those who know about Divine Love, that what is happening is some punishment, as has been said, for disobedience, from God and not the effect of God's loving laws, we do not take responsibility at the required level.

Using prayer as an ask system is not understanding the Truth of Divine Love. God isn't trying to save humans, or fix them or solve their problems or satisfy their needs. God's laws cannot be defeated even by God. The concept of "where two or more are gathered in my name there I am also" is not true. Man has begged God in vain to break His laws.

It may appear that I am calloused to suffering, but I am attempting to shed light on Truths from my guides. Here is an example of our condition. Five hundred million animals died in Australia. Over one hundred million animals die horribly for our food *every day* and no one prays. We control the love in this world. How can we have the arrogance to ask God to intervene when we are the mass calloused killers in the world? When we stop killing, the world will change. God's law.

Response: God's Laws are not understood that easily I think. Maybe one might consider them as systems set in place to create an order. What then is inside the system and what is outside it? Obviously Love is outside the system

because God is Love. Thus when we fully embrace that Love are we not outside the system to?

We can only find what we look for and if we do not look to shared prayer and the Love that can emanate from that, how will we find it? Our thoughts and actions will have limited the possibilities of what we can find.

Response: I was reading a message on the Law of Prayer which says that God "will not turn a deaf ear to any prayer sincerely offered, so you must realize that a positive outcome will have to follow such a sincere prayer. What the particular outcome will be we cannot say; but, of necessity, that outcome will be a beneficial one."

Though I'm guessing it's likely that God takes a VERY long view on when an outcome will be beneficial. So my read is that we are meant to pray and not just for Divine Love. That said, I bet that there's a little bit of the airplane oxygen mask thing going on. You know, the "put your own mask on first and then assist your child" drill? Some of us may be better served by developing our own measure of Divine Love. I suspect the ability to pray sincerely and be in harmony is related to that.

Response: In a sense, like scientists we experiment to discover what God's laws are and how they work. The purpose of life. We experiment to discover and slowly come to be one with God. God is far more than Love. Love is an

attribute of God. Divine Love is like an emotional data stream of knowledge that acts upon the soul.

Good sincere honest men and women have prayed for centuries. And yet here we are on the precipice of self-destruction. Imagine our parents looking down on this mess. They could say, "Our children are so unloving they raise animals destroying the very habitat they need for survival and then eat the animals and then they pray for me to save the planet and the animals against my children's free will acts." They might further say, "Hmmm. I think I'll honour their free will and let my laws take care of the rest."

God is not particularly invested in our survival. In my view, unless we engage the power of love, in which case our desires would be in harmony 24/7 not just in prayer circles, we are doomed. This is just mathematical certainty. Probably far shorter than we think. So please allow me some latitude if I seem a little exasperated at our human stupidity. Especially those of us who could deliver an end to this madness.

Response: Living our lives in harmony with God's Laws of Love will prove out error and truth, yet our minds may still differ. The way of the soul often brings unity, that of the mind not so much.

Response: While there are both physical and spiritual laws in operation that respond to human behavior and actions,

somehow it seems to me that the spiritual laws are not as absolute as the physical ones. There is an element of mercy. I am not sure how it works -- perhaps the principles of quantum physics come into effect here? Recently I was discussing with someone this concept and Psalm 103 together with a Padgett message the reference to which I don't have right now came to my mind. This is what I shared with the other person: "The message is saying something to the effect that penalties for broken laws have further reaching consequences than just affecting the perpetrators of the sins. It probably has to do with the fact that everything is connected. There is probably a flip-side to this and that is that there is also a built-in mercy, and things could be worse. This Psalm is interesting in this context:

Psalm 103:8 The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

Ps 103:9 He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;

Ps 103:10 he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

Ps 103:11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear [deeply respect and obey] him;

Ps 103:12 as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Ps 103:13 As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

Ps 103:14 for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

Ps 103:15 As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field;

Ps 103:16 the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

Ps 103:17 But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD'S love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children –

Ps 103:18 with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.

Of course, we know that God doesn't punish, but has created laws that exact penalties, but somehow it is not just a strict letter-of-the-law thing. Parts of the psalm are quite tender and remind me of the Prayer Perfect — the Father smiles on us in our weaknesses. The fear concept in the original language apparently means something like deep respect, which might be akin to us avoiding to break traffic or other laws in order to avoid the penalties this brings.

I think that this spirit of the law – this inbuilt mercy – can be the result of prayer. It has been proven time and time again that if a certain percentage of people (if I remember right, it is just 3%, not a large percentage) pray or engage in positive meditation about a situation, that

situation changes. So while laws are involved, prayer certainly has a part, and as suggested above, is outside of the system. Anyway, just some thoughts to add to this very interesting discussion. Thanks everyone for sharing your insights.

Response: I feel all the laws are absolute. It is easy to quantify the law of gravity. We know how to measure its effect and nature. I feel we are fairly ignorant about the laws of spirit. Mostly because we've denied the spirit was real and/or its laws govern our creation.

Response: I agree that we don't fully understand the laws of spirit — or most other spiritual truths for that matter. However, I beg to differ that spirit laws are absolute any more than man-made laws of conduct are absolute. For example, someone kills a person. This can be at home after getting drunk and having an argument, it can be an accident like a driver hitting a child that has suddenly run onto the street, it can be premeditated revenge, it can be in the context of war — directly or authorizing someone to do it, or there can be a whole number of other possibilities. As we all know, the punishment for this will vary depending on the circumstances and the motives. In the same way, I venture to say that the working of the spirit laws is mixed with mercy if warranted, and influenced by various factors such as motives and circumstances.

Response: God's physical laws are absolute as are God's spiritual laws. Until we begin to understand this we will continue to act out of addiction.

Response: Perhaps this passage from John Bunyan in TGRABJ 1, p. 345 adds some light to this whole discussion: "But thank God, even though man makes his own troubles and the law of compensation works impartially, yet the loving Father can relieve him from his troubles and make him happy. And in doing so, I want to say, the demands of this law are not unsatisfied. This law, itself, is subject to another law, and that is, that unless causes exist it cannot demand anything from the mortal; and the Father in helping His children does not say to the law, you shall not demand a penalty from this child whom I desire to help, but says to the child, receive my Love and help, and the causes for the demand of this law will cease to exist.

If mortals would only understand this truth they would not continue to believe that the Father cannot help His children, and they would also see that in order to confer such help, it is not necessary to set aside or suspend this great law in its operations. The Father never grants a special dispensation to relieve mortals from paying the penalties of this law, but He does give to them His Great Love, and when they possess that the causes that entail the penalties cease to have an existence."

Response: The only help is the Love offered by the Father.

What Specifically Is Sin and Evil

Question: We read a lot in the Messages about sin and error, but, those terms aren't as clearly defined as I would like.

For example, what is the difference between sin and error? We know that "sin" is defined as "missing the mark" which indicates that there is a clear mark to target. Therefore, I presume sin is when we do something we know to be out of alignment with what God wants (the "mark"). Error, by default, I presume to be sin of which we are not aware until the consequences of missing the mark are revealed. In other words, an honest mistake from which we then have consequences to help us define the "mark" going forward.

I'm interested to know your developed soul perceptions on this. Do you agree? Disagree? Have anything to add?

In the passage below from <u>Luke (30 November 1916)</u>, we read the happy news that once we know the causes of sin and error, we can eliminate them, and then Luke defines the two causes of sin and error:

"When the cause of the present condition of mankind in sin and sorrow and unhappiness is definitely determined, then will readily appear what is necessary to remedy the condition and remove the cause; and, hence, when the remedy is applied and removal made, the millennium will surely come, for this glorious time of man's desired and looked for happiness is merely one in which peace rules and discord does not exist, and every man is his own brother's keeper in love.

Then what are the causes of the present condition of existence on earth, marred and tainted and controlled by sin and error and disease? These causes are two-fold – the one arising from man's fall from his created perfection of body, mind and soul, in permitting and encouraging the animal nature to subordinate the spiritual and thereby, by the overindulgence of the former, causing the carnal appetites to grow and transform the man into a lover of sin and things evil; and the other arising from the influences which the spirits of evil, who are always endeavoring to make close rapport with men, and exercise their evil influence over him."

We notice that it is not the indulgence of carnal appetites that misses the mark, but, the overindulgence. But, what are the carnal appetites? We can easily identify food, drugs (of which alcohol is the most commonly abused), and sex. We also know that the overindulgence of any of these three can and frequently does lead to disease. In fact, scientists have identified that most (if not all) of our diseases are caused by overindulgence of these three carnal appetites.

Are there any other "carnal appetites" of which your soul perceptions have caused you to become aware?

Thank you for your love and sharing of your perceptions on this matter. I imagine in James Padgett's day, there was a clearly defined understanding of sin. Today it seems that "anything goes" in our culture, and this is a sincere question I have with which I would greatly appreciate your assistance. The "New Agers" (such as Teal Swan) teach that sin doesn't exist!

Response: One aspect of sin and evil comes to mind, namely, greed — so prevalent in our Western materialistic world and promoted at infinitum with never-ending advertising and allurements. The Bible says that the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. Here is the context of that verse with a whole string of other evils.

1Timothy 6:3 "If anyone teaches false doctrines and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching,

1Ti 6:4 he is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in envy, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions

1Ti 6:5 and constant friction between men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.

1Ti 6:6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

1Ti 6:7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.

1Ti 6:8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

1Ti 6:9 People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.

1Ti 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs."

Also, sin, according to Padgett and the Bible, is transgression of the law, i.e., anything going against God's laws of man's creation. Here is a passage contrasting following the carnal desires with following the spiritual nature:

Galatians 5:16 "So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

Gal 5:17 For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

Gal 5:18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

Gal 5:19 The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;

Gal 5:20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions Gal 5:21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, Gal 5:23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law."

Response: I believe that we all have an internal compass that tells us what is right or wrong, sin and error, or harmony and wellbeing. Our souls know the way while our minds may debate and argue what is the right way towards harmony. This discussion goes to the very heart of all religions and philosophies and the mind loves to entertain these things in pursuit of truth.

Yet we know that it's the developed soul with its emerging faculties that can guide us towards truth and away from sin and error. Sin can be a negative thought or action. Sin is inherent in negative judgment, envy, greed, lust, etc. All these elements of what our angels call the human condition reflect sin and error. Anything that is out of balance and lacks harmony is sin.

So we are marinating in sin every day as the thought energies which we transmit and receive are mostly about inharmony and the human condition. The only antidote to this is prayer and mental discipline informed by truth. Even with all our overt efforts to counteract the negativity of this world and our own inclinations toward it, we are not able to free ourselves completely from sin and error. That is why praying for Divine Love brings us compassion and insight towards ourselves and others, as well as the impetus required to counteract these conditions.

It's an uphill battle fought every day in our hearts, souls and minds, but with the help of the angels we are on a higher plane more often than not. If we are not honest with ourselves concerning our true motivations, actions and thoughts, then how we are in the world is often contradictory towards the truth of love. Kind of sobering and a little daunting, to say the least. Yet God and the Angels love us anyway and continue to assist us on that journey towards purity and joy. It's a humbling reality and challenging world for all of us mortals.

Response: This sentence from the above response sums up God's tender care for us very well:

"...praying for Divine Love brings us compassion and insight towards ourselves and others, as well as the impetus required to counteract these conditions."

As we seek to become at-one with the Father, we have everything we need.

I also greatly appreciated the mention of greed as an animal appetite. It is certainly a prevalent sin that I didn't even think to list. While I concur that ours is a soul journey, the mind can aid us, when properly employed. In this case, shining a light by defining sin as clearly as possible.

Response: In addition to greed, the drive for power – wanting to be above or dominate another – is a cause for much suffering around the world. Additionally, I would add fear as the catalyst to most sin committed around the world.

It's my belief that most sin committed has to do with people trying to fill a desire deep inside themselves. What most don't understand is this deep longing in their soul crying out to connect with and be fullfilled by God's love. God's Divine love is what heals and counteracts these conditions.

Response: Adding to the above comment, this is what I just happened to read:

"I do not have any hatred for the Germans now [as a result of longing and praying for Divine Love], that I had before. I see that they are all brothers, and children of the Father, and that only the ambitions of some and the passions and hatred of others are prolonging the war. (GENERAL LAFAYETTE, April 23rd, 1916, received by James Padgett)

Response: There have been some wonderful and all-encompassing responses. The only thing that I could add is my personal experience in that sin isn't always black and white and following rules. You may do or say something that affects another in a negative way. When we hurt another person (or ourselves), either intentionally or unintentionally, it results in our souls feeling bad (feeling the repercussions of what we put into action). For me this takes on a tangible and physical feeling in my soul. Just the other day, I was going about my business when all of a sudden I had that feeling. I thought to myself, "oh no, what did I do now?" I knew that something I had said or written affected someone negatively on a soul level and I immediately went into prayer asking for forgiveness and mercy.

Below is something I wrote when I had some insights about sin after prayer. It may or may not resonate with you.

"Sin is much more than not following rules. It is how you interact with the universe. You are not an isolated island unto yourself. You are a part of an expansive web of energy with interconnecting nodes. Each node can be thought of as a soul. And each relationship can be thought of a thread of energy connecting you to that person. You can imagine all your family, friends, and loved ones being connected in a web of energy strings with each soul having strings to each other's soul. You can see how everyone is

interconnected and the action of one individual reverberates throughout the web. Those near the source of action will feel the vibrations the most intensely, and as you expand out from the source, the vibrations weaken.

When we are loving and in harmony with God's Laws of the universe, we send positive vibrations into the web of life. We affirm other souls and live in harmony. When we pray for God's Divine Love, we bring in a higher vibration to those we are connected to and to the entire web at large. We play an integral role in raising the energy and bringing more love and light to our locality in the "web of life".

When we sin, we send out inharmonious vibrations that affect others in a negative way. To be more precise, rather than loving and affirming, we hurt them on a soul level. And it isn't just them that we hurt. We hurt all those individuals who are connected to us. The reason is because they are emotionally attached to us and those we love. And so they too have a reaction and are affected by the emotions and vibrations of those around them in the web. So you begin to see just how many people that you affect when you sin."

Response: Indeed, sin is much more than following rules, such as the 10 Commandments – that is just the letter of the law. The spirit of the law is much more encompassing and goes into motives, attitudes, even sins of omission

(neglecting to do something that we could or should have done in the way of love and kindness).

And indeed, we are all connected and affect not just those around us but also those around them - it is like a ripple effect when you drop a pebble into the water. Apparently our hearts have a very strong magnetic field (radiating energy several feet in all directions), and collectively, we can influence the magnetic field of the earth. I was watching a video by Gregg Braden the other day (one of my favorite "scientific-spiritual" teachers) and he was bringing out how it is documented that immediately following the events of 9/11, there was recorded a noticeable spike in the earth's magnetic field as people around the world reacted at the heart level to what they were seeing on the media. Interestingly, the strong earth magnetic field of the next day or two, while it lasted, elicited around the world generally less aggression and more kindness and cooperation. So when the magnetic field is strong, it affects us in positive ways. It is also proven that just a small percentage of people – I believe it is just 5%) praying or meditating together has a positive effect globally, so our prayers for Divine Love can and no doubt do have a global effect and counteract to some degree the moral decline and negativity.

Response: I would like to add that there is a moral universe just as there is a physical universe, each with rules and consequences.

I think our natural love is meant to provide guidance as to how we ought to feel, think and behave. Each attribute of our natural love, such as empathy and kindness, can lead us to treat others as we would like to be treated. Our natural love can be our North Star.

But as we become involved with the earth plane, there are many attractions such as political power, ownership of material possessions and money, etc. For example, if we become attracted to the ownership of more and more material things to the point that it becomes dominant, this is where we will devote our time and energy to the exclusion of our natural love desires. As we become committed to focusing on acquiring material things, we may replace our natural love as our North Star.

When we replace the natural guidance system our Father originally gave us, our view of what is important changes. Rather than treating others as we would like to be treated, we may find it justified to use others as a means toward achieving our goals, causing them unnecessary pain and suffering.

The sin becomes the use of our free will toward selfish ends with no thought of the pain and suffering we cause others. It can become as though the beacon of our natural love, our North Star, no longer consciously exists.

Response: I discovered something that I put on my website on this subject sometime ago based on my reading. It says the below and is followed by a sub-section on Eradication of Sin.

What Is Sin and Who Created It?

Sin is the result of thoughts and deeds that are out of harmony with God's will and laws. Or, simply stated, sin is the violation of God's laws (1 John 3:4).

Sin is a human creation — God did not create sin and evil as all of God's creation is good. Having been given free will, man is both a creature and a creator — and can create both good and evil. Sin occurs at the soul level, when one exercises their will contrary to the Father's will based on wrong desires (James 1:13-15). These desires, when acted on, bring about deeds corresponding to the sinful thoughts and cravings. As a result of sin, the soul is defiled.

Humans were created with both animal appetites and spiritual aspirations, but in the beginning, these were in harmony with the laws that produce happiness. After the original disobedience (the Fall), however, people have often exercised their will in wrong ways and against the laws of God. They followed their animal desires, which

unduly asserted themselves at the expense of their spiritual aspirations, which were partly lost due to the Fall. The perversion of the animal appetites and/or the loss of spiritual aspirations lead to disharmony and sin.

Sin and the defilements of the soul are creations of not only the mind, but also of emotions, affections, and the intellect. These defilements result in alienation from the good, being opposed to man's original state of perfection. The initial purity of the soul is besmirched by the impurities that the person's misguided animal appetites have created. These impurities then become a part of the individual's being and soul. They keep one in discord with the laws controlling the human existence and result in unhappiness.

Instead of turning to God and His Love, the first parents sought mastery of their material surroundings alone, and, instead of developing their souls, they chose the development of their intellectual faculties. For it is through intellectual attainments that humans acquire the material possessions and wealth which marks them as successful by worldly standards. And thus came the story of the "forbidden fruit" and the "Tree of Knowledge." It is through this material knowledge that sin came, for man sought to be independent of God, and with it came pride. They became puffed up, cruel, heartless and merciless, whereas they had been created with a soul full of human love, mercy,

tenderness and sympathy for their fellow beings. (Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up, 1 Cor. 8:1).

Response: I still find a list of sins to be helpful. Even with internal guidance. I would rather put ALL my faculties to bear on being in alignment with God's Love...especially as I am living in a soup of sin and error. Again, THANK YOU all for your contributions to this topic. I greatly appreciate each and every one of you and your beautiful contributions.

Response: Here is another "sin list" as well as the opposite – a list of virtues and qualities of love. It is not complete and has some overlaps, but certainly gives us things to think about and work on.

Bible Sin Lists and Righteousness Lists

Galatians 5:18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

Gal 5:19 The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;

Gal 5:20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions

Gal 5:21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

Gal 5:23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Gal 5:24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.

Gal 5:25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

Gal 5:26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Matthew 15:19 For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander.

Mark 10:17 As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees m before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ...

Mk 10:19 You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.""

Mk 10:20 "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

Mk 10:21 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

Mk 10:22 At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

Mk 10:23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich s to enter the kingdom of God!"

Luke 10:25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Lk 10:26 "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"

Lk 10:27 He answered: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself."

Lk 10:28 "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."

1Corinthians 6:9 Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders

1Co 6:10 nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

2Timothy 3:2 People [in the last days] will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 2Ti 3:3 without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good,

2Ti 3:4 treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—

2Ti 3:5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.

1Corinthians 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

1Co 13:5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, k it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

1Co 13:6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

1Co 13:7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

1Co 13:8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

1Co 13:9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part,

1Co 13:10 but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears.

Is There a Source of Evil?

Question: Why are bad things and man's inhumanity to man happening?

Response: Everybody that assumes that global warming [and other evils are] part of God's plan is forgetting the other guy – you think he doesn't have plans too?

If you think that God who gave life to every living creature would cause their painful deaths in bush fires, being maimed by poachers, etc., you are deluded!

The other guy works harder to promote his agenda and is assisted by God's gift to us of free will. We all misuse this gift, making it easier for the other guy to encourage stupidity and corporative greed to thrive and damage us, the societies that we pretend to live in and our planet.

God gave you free will and doesn't manipulate the way you choose to use it. The other guy does — he relies on this to make us think it's God's will. Use the other gift God gave you — your brain, your ability to reason and the most precious gift of all — the free will to change things by not sitting back and waiting for politicians to resolve it. Consider standing at your local elections — even if you don't win your voice, is more likely to be heard.

Response: By "the other guy" can I assume you mean Satan? As I understand it there is no such person, just a revolving door of power-mad men hellbent on assuming that position for as long as they can hold it. They may indeed be currently working against all that we would wish for, but they can never win unless one calls these earth changes winning.

Politics is not for everyone by a very long chalk and must be the most frustrating occupation ever invented, as ultimately ever politician fails and has to leave the scene having in most cases achieved very little.

Response: There is always "The other guy". You can call him Satan, The Devil, Fred or even Steve, but for every one person following God's will, there are thousands that don't. Some, like me, lost their way and still have to find their way back to the light of His Love, some chose profit over what is right, and a minority don't use the gifts He gave us or are just plain stupid and need our help.

Do I believe there is a Devil - yes, I refuse to believe that a Creator that gave us so much could allow such cruelty and inhumanity to go unpunished. All religions have their version of *Khama* [karma].

Response: Free will plus ego lead to choices and exertion of personal power for one's own advantage may lead towards that role where love is absent. However, the

personal hells which man creates are his and his alone. Just because one has a box of matches does not mean one has to burn one's house down — they could be used instead to light a lantern and turn a house into a home and place of refuge, if you get my analogy.

Free will is that box of matches with which we have all been entrusted. Bad men may choose to be devils, but there are limits to whom they can influence. There is no need for anyone to have taken that role for perpetuity as there is always someone willing to audition for it.

Response: Free will is manipulated by greed and sadly sometimes necessity. Half of our brothers in Australia were transported there as convicts for stealing an apple or loaf of bread to feed their families. The hard part is distinguishing between necessity (feeding the hungry) and greed (feeding the corporate bank balance).

You won't shake my belief that the devil exists. Religions process *Khama* in different ways, some believe it balances through your life, Christianity believes it happens at the point you pass and that God forgives you if you repent, Muslims believe their God doesn't forgive so it's in your best interest to be the best you can while you live, fundamentalists use this to manipulate young minds, All religions have Khama, the devil, Fred or Steve, just

depends on which religion you believe in as to when you get your just desserts.

The Devil symbolizes all the dark forces of the world, but there is no single entity called the Devil, it is merely a composite representing the evil inclinations of humanity. It is easier to put this package into one being, but indeed it's all of us to one degree or another. Taking self-responsibility is far more difficult than to point a finger at someone or something outside of ourselves.

Response: The sin of pride to assume you have all the answers is the most dangerous of all. It closes your mind to what is happening around you.

I believe that as there is a source of light and there is a source of darkness, and the devil exists as a silent dangerous entity

Response: I understand the darkness as the absence of light, not a source in itself. When your innermost desires are made plainly manifest to everyone and become your outer mantle, then the more evil one is, the uglier one will be and the harder it will be for them to stand the light which highlights every fault. Thus the evildoer will rush away from the light and from love to hide from it in a place which is more comfortable and where he / she will find likeminded souls.

No source of dark required. It is in fact a mercy of God which allows some discomfort.

Response: Just because you can't see it, because you don't understand it, can't currently prove it, that doesn't mean it doesn't exist.

I did my degree in chemistry in the 80s when they postulated about Dark Matter. Few understood it, I still don't believe you can see it, but the glue of the universe has been proven to exist. Don't let the sin of pride cloud your eyes. Neither you nor I know better than the Creator.

Response: The latter is something we can both agree on. I am not certain where pride comes into this though? The latest theory is that dark matter is less substantial than a photon but that there is so much of it that it is able to make up the other 93% of the Universe. Maybe they should call it "love" which is far less gloomy sounding!

We all need to be careful what we attract into our thoughts. These Earth Changes, though early in their cycle, could be quite destabilising if you are sensitive to the full ramifications. It's said to be darkest before the dawn!

Response: People that don't believe in something that is proven commit the sin of pride, believing they know better than the Creator.

There are those that don't believe in God, those that don't believe in the Holocaust, those that don't believe in the devil, those that don't believe that people of all races, colours, religions and orientations are equal, those that don't believe that climate change is man-made. They put their belief system before what the Creator has demonstrated as truth.

Response: What was the point of Padgett then? Did Jesus and other Celestial angels waste their time informing us so that we could understand better in order to make us sinful?

One must take the knowledge to one's soul to know the truth in it and then one is in a position to help others by putting it to use.

Would you have me waste the great efforts made by emissaries of the Creator by staying silent? This idea you have about pride is a protection device of the mind. Satan is a displacement excuse for man's own iniquities. When you acknowledge the idea of Satan as some equal and opposite force to God, you are effectively saying that he has a right to exert power over you. I believe that to be a lie. It is a lie which the demons (men and women) in Hell wish you to believe. Don't fall for it!

Response: Again the sin of pride – assuming that one man's interpretation of the messages is the only one. The

same messages heard by somebody else could take on entirely different meanings.

Think of any message as a game of Chinese Whispers, each person interpreting a message and passing it on in their own way. The message you hear and interpret for yourself is often unintentionally enhanced by your desires, paraphrasing and your own use language.

Whilst I have no problem with any religion or belief set, I have a problem with people that believe unconditionally and without question - it ceases to be a religion or belief set and becomes a cult.

Yin and Yang, Khama, good and evil are all concepts about balance and so if God exists, so must the devil. To date God has proven his existence to me through his works. As yet the devil has not. I believe this is because he uses intermediaries to perform his works. BUT my mind is open and as such I believe in the existence of the devil until somebody can prove he does not exist.

Believing God created man in his own image means that man should be intrinsically good. So what influences the darker side of man's nature? If you believe in God, you have to believe in the devil because God wouldn't make people turn bad. Or are you saying he would? Free will goes part way to answering it. You have a choice to do God's will or do something else. The question is from who or what does the something else originate?

Response: If you believe in an afterlife and in our continuation, then it is easy to understand how we may be in both worlds at the same time, albeit unknowingly. Our thoughts and actions will attract spirits of a similar disposition and there will be many trying to influence your thoughts for the better or worse. I think the subconscious is better understood as our receiver facility into the world of spirit. You may choose to go along with lower thoughts or actions or to ignore them and seek better higher connections. Thus these influences all originate with humankind — alive or dead, angelic or hellish, depending on your strengths and / or weaknesses.

Response: My belief set tells me you are wrong, but I respect your right to hold your beliefs.

Judging Others

Question: What do you do when you find yourself judging another? It could be anyone from a politician to a family member. The energy and tone of judgement engenders negativity and avoidance of solutions. So how do you maintain positivity even in the face of something you dislike?

Response: I remind myself that whatever is triggering me in the other person is a message that that quality is still active within me. Otherwise God's Love would flow smoothly toward that person. So I know I must turn inward and survey my emotional beliefs, my entitlements, my expectations, etc.— all unloving to myself, which is as much a sin as being unloving to others. I must love the little girl in me who chose those errors for protection and understand the WHY she chose those.

Response: I want to see family members trying. It doesn't matter what, or if they fail, but giving up and saying you can't before making the attempt will get my goat, especially if the excuses are weak and self-serving, or reflected back in anger. That gets me going some! I can be quite loud, which may be perceived as an attack, among other things. So as you can see, not love and light at all times!

Response: I try to remember that we are all trying to make it through, and walking each other Home.

Response: I have found that if you cannot operate out of the soul, it's tricky. Which means it's tricky.

For me, any situation of potential judgement can be turned into analysis of what is happening for that person and why. This, if it explains the behaviour, as it usually does, can be turned into compassion. I am not sure how else the material mind can deal with this except by choosing to ignore the behaviour.

What is harder is observing people who don't want to change. That is extremely hard for me. (Those that are trying to change are another matter.) What I have learned and have personally found a tough lesson is that we are not free to offer our discernment to others. So you have to shut up and accept that these individuals have chosen their path and don't want to change. No matter how much pain they are in. Well, they don't want to change at this time.

So I guess I am saying that most times you are tempted to judge, it is because you know that person is in emotional pain and does not want to change. And YOU cannot "offer" solutions. You can only fall back on acceptance that they have free will. And you pray you can be loving. And you can pray that they will choose to change and observe the signs that Father will send them that they have an issue to deal

with. Which is why, for those people I really am close to, I am open to their inputs on things I can't see as clearly as they can.

If you can operate out of the soul, which did happen to me for 24 hours, I was amazed to find that the soul simply cannot judge. Plus it knows what is happening. So compassion is automatic and so very easy. The soul is not, however, in some sort of dumbed-down idiotic state. It totally recognises dangerous individuals and knows how to deal with that too. Yes, I was in one of those situations that 24-hour period as well. I kept quiet when normally I would have intervened. And I spoke up when I needed to establish with the crooked taxi driver that I knew his game.

Response: Not always, but often I catch myself and instantly work on redirecting my thoughts. But I have not been able to do so politically. My reaction to that is less judging, but more fear and panic. Maybe it all goes together.

Response: Everyone has responded with a great deal of candor and wisdom. My 'judgement' barometer often goes up when I feel out of spiritual harmony or am out of sorts physically. That old familiar pattern of anger, which comes from unfulfilled expectations which are not necessarily verbalized but secretly lying in wait for others to trip over, can sneak up on me without notice. I find that prayer is a

great antidote to this human condition, and if I'm in what I consider good spiritual harmony, these dark thought traps are not apparent. I believe that it takes a lot of effort in prayer and self-awareness to affect our thought processes and emotional behaviors. Divine Love is the antidote and healer of the vestiges of our human Achilles Heel. Together with disciplining the mind and adding prayerful intent for God's Love that these things become less and less.

Padgett Messages and Personal Beliefs

Question: I have begun looking at Padgett's communications. I differ on a critical point: to me Christ is divine. Jesus was an incarnation of the Godhead. Christ is his divine form, and is a divinity I worship. Does this mean I am in the wrong group?

Response: What we aim to share is that by opening yourself in love to God, you can via the Holy Spirit receive the very essence of God. If you have experienced this, you will know it's true. If you spend the number of years many of us have done praying for this inflow, you would know from personal experience that it's life changing. After that we don't care what you believe. But you might care what we believe. That's your call.

But if you are determined that Jesus is God as opposed to "divine", then it may be better to not read the Padgett Messages. We believe Jesus was the first Christ, but that every Celestial is also a Christed being. And that all these beings are "at one" with God as Jesus claimed in the Bible.

Response: You are most welcome to stay in this group! The most important thing in my experience is that God loves me unconditionally and accepts be absolutely. I have

found this to be true regardless of my thoughts or beliefs about God at any given moment in my life. I know others who have experienced the love of God, yet who believe a myriad of things about God. I guess what I'm saying is that God deeply desires to shower unconditional love upon each and every precious soul, regardless of what that soul believes about God's identity. I encourage you to keep praying; that's the most important thing.

Response: You have been drawn to read The Padgett Messages, so my advice would be to keep reading them with an open heart and mind, and let God instruct you as to the Truth of this matter — through Jesus's own words about himself.

Often we hold many "beliefs" which aren't Truths from God's perspective and we need to be humble to being taught by God about His Truths, rather than holding fast to our own personal truth and in turn missing out on God's Truth.

Response: Jesus does talk about wearing the mantle of the Christ spirit whilst on Earth and it is at this point that Love and Truth connect with amazing possibilities.

Prayer Frequency and Manner

Question: How often do you pray in one day? Do you have a routine of praying at a certain time every day? How long are your prayers? Do you have short ones all through the day, as well as one or two longer ones? Do you find prayer a chore or a pleasure? Can you tell us more about your prayer life?

Response: I pray for an hour every morning and small prayers during the day. I am a "prayer-holic" and love the experience of prayer. It's become the focus of my life. When I was younger and busy with jobs, kids, etc., I was not so involved in prayer. Twenty minutes every morning and some short prayers during the day. My wife and I now inhabit that sweet spot of choosing when to pray and how often. We often pray in groups, retreats and online. Never get tired of prayer.

Response: My prayer time is always short —I can't say it is less more than five minutes but beautiful. For me the distance between my prayers is very short. My prayer is as simple as the Lord's Prayer or like, God is Good, Good is God, Hosanna Halleluiah, Love is Life, Life is Love, Halleluiah Hosanna, God is Glory, Glory is God, Hosanna Halleluiah.

Response: I practice a prayerful meditation first thing in the morning around 5 am for an hour to an hour and a half.

I combine prayer and yoga so that some of the time I am praying silently, other times I am following my breath and feeling and following God's creative energy either rise in me from the earth or fall through me from above, and at other times I'm dropping deep into the quiet peace in my heart.

During the day I have thoughts of God whenever I have time and seek opportunities to pray together with others for the greater good.

Response: I try for twice a day and anytime I am riding in a car or walking.

Response: I haven't tried a FB poll here ... let's see how this works! Do you pray silently? Or with music? And if the latter, share your favorites.

Silently -- +6

Both -- depending on the prayer -- +2

With music

Other

Response: My latest fave for when I use music is <u>Liquid</u> <u>Mind's Meditation album.</u>

Response: I usually pray aloud without music. I find using my voice and opening the flow of energy in the throat chakra actually helps to open the heart chakra as well and

just helps my e-motion to flow to God. It is similar to the difference between

- 1. feeling silently my love for a person and
- 2. speaking the words of love TO that person.

I have also tried voicing prayer with others when they feel stuck or unable to connect or feel they have a very mild connection to God and it works a treat. Even just speaking the Truth of how you really feel in that moment greatly opens the connection from my side to God. For example, "God, I feel unable to connect with you right now ... please help me to feel my block to you."

Response: For a while, I was chanting with <u>this</u> before my prayer, but got out of the habit.

Response: The other reason my voice opens the connection is that Truth opens the Soul to the inflowing of God's Love. So I've found that rather than just using tones, actually speaking your personal truth to God opens your throat, heart and crown chakras. Longing is an emotional condition and emotion is E-motion -- energy in motion.

Response: I have a song list I play of hymns I have learned throughout my life that bring me into my soul.

Response: I can't find appropriate music. What do you suggest?

Response: I found that anything that stirs my soul/emotion will help me get in a more open emotional condition for prayer. For me that's anything from bagpipes to John Farnham's That's Freedom to Judy Collins-Amazing Grace to Garth Brooks - We shall be free... I've created a Soul music folder to listen to -- not while praying though.

Response: I do love Jimbeau's music. I listen to it or use it as a mantra until I find a connection with God and then sit in silence. I tried swimming and praying yesterday and loved it, but need to be careful of distractions.

Response: I enjoy the "soul stirring" stuff, but when in good condition, I don't find a need. It's for those occasions when it's feeling hard that it's very useful. I have a playlist on my phone that is an hour long and closes with a "soul stirrer" that is also a vocal and thus typically pulls me out of trance, but not always. For the bulk of the tracks I use "Healing Touch" by Nadama which many of us use. It's instrumental, nice enough nothingness to shut out the world, but not intrude. The closing track is awesome - "Blessed Always" by Donna De Lory.

Nadama has a few albums, but we like that one best. I use my phone as I can manipulate playlists and create playlists for shorter meditations than an hour.

Response: We use the Nadama Healing Touch CD. Every day, maybe three times a day. It sets the mood and since the CD runs for an hour, we know when an hour of prayer is up.

Response: I pray outside usually and out loud, whether in rain, storms, sleet, snow, 20° or 98°. But that's where I find God

Response: My apologies to all the pray out loud folks!! You know what they say about learning something new.

Response: No, apology necessary. I'm not sure why I feel more comfortable praying out loud. I was going to give you a good reason why, but can't think of one. Maybe because I have few human people to talk too, so just talk to God out loud.

Response: Don't know if my heavy breathing from time to time equates to music!

Response: Heavy breathing during prayer is probably music to God's ears.

Response: I prefer praying silently. I may be wrong but I think the best form of prayer is quiet prayer and that is what is recommended in Matthew 6:6.

Response: They didn't have MP3 players 2000 years ago!

Response: So now you need one to able to focus when you pray – lol.

Response: No I don't. I don't "need" anything. But I prefer a consistent non-interfering background to block out the world around. I regularly pray an hour at a time and have been known to go over two hours. If it's not for you, fine. But I have been doing this for 20 years now and it's my preference because it works best for me.

Response: Beautiful. People should always do what works for them and possibly gives them joy.

Response: There is no right way, but only what works for you, my friend.

How to Re-Center and Return to a Positive Mind State

Question: What is your best technique for re-centering yourself, getting back to a positive state, when this world has you feeling roughed up and bummed out?

Response: Good question! I wish I had a good short-term answer (I think listening to relaxing music may be the closest I have for that), but longer-term, I try to understand if there's an internal reason that I need to address. Somewhere I've read that those lower emotions are really just indications of things that our material minds are hanging on to that we need to let go of. I wish I was better at it!

Response: I'm interested in the answers to this. It's a daily struggle for me.

Response: I've just been reading The Lowlands of Heaven, written in 1913. One of the first topics dealt with is SORROW. There are spirits whose job is to lift us out of misery. Note that these messages were given in 1921 before the New Age movement arrived, yet they talk about lifting our vibration. There are steps that we and the spirits must take to achieve this. If we don't allow their energy in, there is not much they can do. If we are more open, then our

sorrowful state can be lifted, or shortened in duration. A free pdf version is available <u>here</u>.

Response: Thanks friends, for your thoughts! I have the first of those books, started reading it a few years ago and then got distracted by other things at that time in my life. Perhaps I'll pick it back up.

Music is a wonderful idea! Unfortunately it's not usually something that's available and practical for me at this time in my life in my job.

I think something to go along with this question is how do you protect yourself from negativity around you affecting you? In my personal situation, I'm a middle-school teacher and I'm around so much negativity. It's sad because I see the behaviors many of the kids are choosing and I see them acting out of a lack of God's love in their life. It's like I can see that they are trying to fill a need and they are causing destruction in others and themselves in the process. It gets tough at times to be the strength in these kids' lives. Draining at times. Most days I can handle it, but some days it just feels overwhelming. Anyone out there good at being that screen that energy just flows through and doesn't stick on? Material world can sure be a challenging place! Whew!

Response: Here's a new one – try this sometime. Set up your cell phone or camera to video, turn it on, and talk to

the camera, like it's a person. Fill them in on your life, the hardships you're facing, the lessons you're learning, and allow your higher self to be channelled down, talking to your human self.

This is helpful in two ways. Firstly, the emotional venting is healing, it's good for you to spill everything out, especially verbally. This is also perfect, because only you will see it later. Secondly, you can re-watch these, and let them serve as reminders of lessons you have already learned. Always forward, never back. It's grounding, and affirmative of your ability to grow and change over time --with proof!

Response: I agree. When you feel an emotion come on, don't suppress it. Feel this emotion with all your heart, releasing what you can at that time. I have found with myself, if it's a very deep emotion, it could take several attempts to release all. I have healed myself in this way.

Reaction to the Earth Change Messages

Question: What are your thoughts on Earth changes as channelled in recent years? Do you think that it is a valid concern and possibility in the future? Is there anything that you see as proof or indications of such things?

Response: By nature I'm a sceptic and resist fearmongers. Churches have been predicting the apocalypse, Armageddon, burning of the earth, and so forth for centuries. "Sell everything and get to the hills" they cry. I was infected by it and in a way longed for it as proof of my truth. After reading the Padgett messages I lost that fear. The earth will survive until God sees fit to dematerialise the material. Maybe "earth changes" are a wakeup call to change our ways en masse, to bring us in line with natural laws.

Response: My son looked into this and a message from someone who commented on a post about this said, that every 10 to 15 thousand years the earth makes her changes, she has to resettle herself. So possibly what damage we've done to her could be bringing it on sooner, but otherwise it's very natural for all these changes to occur. We just happen to be here while the planet in the process of changing.

Response: My understanding is that the earth emerged from an ice age around 12,000 years ago, which had lasted for thousands of years, during which large migrations of humans occurred. I read a book about the cause being the oscillation of the earth's axis. The fossil record shows extinction of many life forms, yet life goes on. In terms of geological activity, we are in a time of stability. Man has created some problems and man can fix them.

Response: IMO, the whole decay of the US political system is a pretty good indication. I never really imagined I would be living during the fall of the (an) empire.

Response: I like your stock market. Just wish I hadn't believed the fearmongers who influenced me to safer havens. It cost me many thousands of dollars in lost investment returns. Whatever your politics, the US markets have gone up 60% in the last three years, which flowed through to Australia and NZ markets.

Response: I am way more concerned about people than about making money.

My thoughts are, if you don't believe these many, many, many messages and comments we have received from Celestial angels on pending Earth changes, then how can you justify believing any message we have received? I don't know what will happen, but I know that I have been

witnessing many Earth changes around the world and have been feeling in my soul that change is coming.

Response: I have read many of the messages and these have been compiled on the new-birth.net website. What specifically are Earth changes? Super bugs, global warming, political upheaval, economic meltdown, nuclear fallout, civil wars, rising seas, meteorite impact, spiritual revolution? At the end of the day, we "chop wood and carry water" until we leave this planet. Life is very resilient and will go on. I personally don't like the economic system as it's rigged for the top end of town. That's where I see the most likely earth change, but I'll likely be in spirit before it happens.

Response: As the angels say, the best way to prepare is to pray for Divine Love which most of us are doing anyway. Of course, they want us to spread this Truth to others so more will prepare. The way these changes will occur is not the issue. The advice from angels is to prepare by praying for Divine Love.

Response: It matters not – our relationship with God and reception of Divine Love are not reliant on us living on Earth.

Response: True, the angels have told us that even if Earth changes cause us or our loved ones to pass over, all will have a beautiful existence in the spirit realm. But of

course, I want my children and grandchildren to lead full, happy lives on Earth before they pass but that will be up to God.

Response: It's my understanding that we'll have the place in the spirit world fitted to our soul condition. If our soul condition is wonderful, we'll go to a wonderful place, if our soul condition is dark, we'll go to a dark place. So I don't agree that everyone will have a beautiful existence in the spirit realm — not immediately anyway for some. In the long-term they certainly have the possibility of doing so.

I understand your feelings about your children and grandchildren. I'm no longer attached to anyone having an existence for any length of time on earth. They/we go to the spirit world and the laws of God will deal with what their/our soul condition is and work at correcting that.

The wonders of the spirit world far surpass anything that we could even imagine on earth, so I have no attachment to anyone needing to stay on earth.

And if you think about it logically, most of our eternal existence won't be spent on the earth – the earth will be just a blip in time in our complete existence.

I do understand your emotions — I had them myself, but I processed them out of me and now I no longer feel the same.

Response: Ditto for me. No matter what earth conditions bring, good times, or hard times, the important thing is, have we learned to love? Religious leaders from time immemorial have used fear to motivate us to action. I don't buy it. My take-away from recent messages is, "come what may, seek for Divine Love and you'll have no need to fear". Love casts out fear and leads to perfect understanding.

Response: Yes indeed — "have we learned to love?" is certainly more the quest for me than the question of Earth changes. I just keep processing my own emotions and until I reach the point where someone could be nailing pins in my hands/wrists and me be forgiving them — until I reach that point, I know I still have work to do on myself in regards to love! Thank you, Jesus, for your humble example!

Response: I have felt something in the air regarding cataclysmic change for most of my life.

I feel that change is inevitable, but our actions have probably made it far worse. It is not the physical manifestations that are the most important, but the darkness surrounding the Earth and making it hard for angelic help to intervene and assist us.

Response: I have been proceeding with the assumption that God cares about His creation and desires for the

kingdom of earth to be established. I also understand that there seems to be some benefit to learning of Divine Love while in this plane. Given these two things, I feel some interest in what I can do so that this kingdom might be established for the benefit of future souls. It seems to be in line with this message from Jesus to Padgett:

"And here let me correct one mistaken belief or idea that has so long prevailed among mankind, and which, in its results, has delayed the coming of the kingdom on earth; and the correction is, that God by His mere fiat, or irrespective of the desires and workings of men's souls, will not establish this kingdom. Its establishment depends upon men, themselves, and until their loves become and they become in harmony with God's will, this kingdom will never be established.

I know that it is believed and taught and emphasized, and men place all their hopes and expectations of a heaven of bliss on the statement, that I will at some time come in the clouds of heaven with a great shout, to earth, and by the power which they believe exists in me, establish the Kingdom of God — a kind of kingdom in which I will be the king and rule supreme, and receive as my subjects those who believe in and worship me, and send those who do not into eternal damnation and outer darkness.

Well, this is pitiable, untrue and all erroneous. This kingdom will never be established in this way, for only man, himself, can call into existence this kingdom, only by becoming the pure perfect man that existed when God's earthly kingdom had at man's creation, its existence. Man alone, brought sin into the world, and man must himself destroy sin, and then harmony with the Father's will will be restored, and also this kingdom.

But, from what I have written, it must not for a moment or in the slightest degree, be inferred even, that God is not taking and will not take any part in the reestablishment of this kingdom, for it is a fact, that He is working through His angels upon the souls and thoughts of men to bring this kingdom on earth; but He will not force its establishment - it must come voluntarily on the part of men." (https://new-birth.net/padgetts-messages/true-gospel-revealed-anew-by-jesus-volume-1/the-kingdom-of-god-on-earth-and-in-the-spirit-world-vol-1-pg12/)

Response: It is a hard thing to consider death in all of its guises made manifest across the planet, or even just the suggestion of it. However, viewed from the other side by those who have crossed into spirit and discovered that this is but a tiny but important starter, the idea of death can be seen for what it is, a ridiculous fear of the unknown. God only really sees and communicates with the soul, so there is no differentiation to him as his flock are gathered from

the field. Floods, whistles and bangs are just special effects. The emotional responses, however, are the connection from the screen to the cinema management. All the action though is ours to improvise.

Response: This subject is controversial and your comments have indicated some of your interpretations of it. The message of earth changes is not about fear, but rather a promise that light will overcome darkness. We are experiencing earth changes constantly here since this material world is always in flux. What is evident to me is that the rate of change and intensity of it is more apparent.

Atmospheric scientists have predicted in the past that global warming will bring disruptions and changes to our weather patterns. As one who spent his life working outside, I noticed changes happening in the 80s. Indigenous Dogwood trees started to get fungus blight because of the heightened moisture levels all through the year. Australian bush fires — need I say more? Increased volcanic activity and earthquakes, ocean warming, CO2 build-up and tsunamis are all indications of a changing world.

Emotional distancing, obsession with stuff and appearances, apathy and judgmentalism are heightened by a society whose minds are filled with thought but their hearts are slowly turning to stone. Generally we know more

and feel less. Life becomes a game of doing and having, competing and fear of losing. None of this would bring the sort of Divine intervention that we're talking about here if it weren't for our numbers upon this earth.

Humans are the greatest change agents on the planet and affecting every aspect of it. The momentum of human influence is growing as our appetites to consume and alter everything around us continues to grow with our numbers. So who can stop this?

We can, if we are able to pull ourselves together enough to change our ways but this will take time. I believe too much time. Many of us have prayed for change and healing for our Mother Earth and I believe that the answers will come in the form of these continuing upheavals and changes. I don't believe that it will come in one big bang but in a multitude of pops and shifts. Allowing humanity to adjust as the sleeping elephant turns over.

Some will remain intractable and arrogant in their refusal to look honestly at the need for change. Like our forefathers who insisted that the earth is flat because that landscape is all that they could perceive. I think that they will suffer the most as they cling to old ideas and paradigms. God wants us to look deeper, see with not just our minds and our five senses, but with soul perceptions. If we can do that with the awakening of our soul's through

God's Love, then we have a chance to seize the opportunities coming with the disruption of daily life big time.

Where there is change, there is opportunity. I think that God wants us to view change in this way. Not to fear it, but embrace it and trust in the process. Our goal right now is the preparation of our souls so that we can proceed with love and wisdom. God is not inciting us with fear but compels us to have faith and trust. Whether you believe in the veracity of earth changes or not, it is imperative to keep growing your soul in Divine Love. This is our future and every step we take to bring God's Love manifest through us gives some hope for what can be.

As for my reputation as a medium and my concern whether or not you believe in what is coming through, I'm not sweating it. I've been called down and called out so many times by those who disagree with something or another channelled, it is becoming the norm. If I did this work for recognition and to puff up my ego, I would have left the game several years ago. I've learned the hard way to let the hurt feelings go and to live in faith that I am doing God's Will. I also recognize that my mediumship is not perfect, but an attempt to bring through higher truths through a soul not yet redeemed by God's Love. What I do is my service and loving dedication to God. If I felt for a moment that I was not doing what I am meant to do then I

would indeed quit. So far, I feel on track and am loving the journey and I am truly blessed.

Response: I believe 100% that the earth is and will go through dramatic changes in the near future. I have always sought out truth, in many different forms. In my search for truth, I have discovered physical things that are going on in our world that are greatly impacting the behavior of our earth.

For example, there are natural cycles that appear throughout the geological record. Some of those include magnetic field reversals, ice ages, solar maximum and minimum cycles, and so many more. In terms of the physical evidence, if you look at the strength of our magnetic field, it is almost non-existent right now! Our north and south poles have moved dramatically in recent years to the point where the south pole has left Antarctica. Also, our sun is going through changes in its natural cycle.

What does this mean to us? Without going into a lot of details, earth's weather, seismic activity, and the strength of the sun's ability to burn us will increase dramatically. Our magnetic field is what protects earth from the sun's energies (many have no idea about the power of the sun when it comes to its influence over earth). With a weak magnetic field, even minor sun storms are going to cause more turbulence here.

Additionally, it would not surprise me if we get a change in the poles in the near future. This pole reversal would obviously cause a great disruption to our norm. In addition to knocking out the grid, there could be super winds, oceans moving across the countries, shifting plates, places that were once warm will be cold and vice versa. All this has happened over and over again in the past and it's possible it could happen in our lifetime. Will it? I guess we'll find out.

Everything that has been channelled supports this physical evidence that things are changing. All that being said, I am not scared, though curious. I want to be prepared for whatever lies ahead and make the best of my time. I want to protect my family and do God's will. But it's a relief to know that what God says through his angels, is what we really need to do to prepare for all the things that are coming is to pray.

I have my speculations about what happened in millennia past during these catastrophes — things that are supported by what ancient cultures left on stones and such. But truly, whatever lies ahead is a cleansing. It will help bring about a better place, more in harmony with God's laws. And I have faith that as long as I continue to grow in God's Divine Love, all will work itself out in the end.

So I hope this post doesn't scare anyone because I'm just sharing my personal thoughts, opinions, and research of what I've discovered and that puts those pieces together in a way that makes sense to me. Of course, my understanding and interpretation could be way off. So no matter what happens, I'm going to do my best to prepare for every day by staying close to my heavenly Father through prayer, and continuing to love others as best I can. Here's to an awesome future!

Response: There is a great message about earth changes given by the spirit Silver Birch, "About Silver Birch and His New World' on Goldenageofgaia.com. Very confirming of what we are getting.

Response: Love this: "Each soul that becomes an instrument for the Great Spirit, each soul that moves out of darkness into the light, out of ignorance into knowledge, out of superstition into truth, is helping to advance the world, for each one of these is a nail that is driven into the coffin of the world's materialism."

Reflections on Gossip

Question: Gossip – I expect we agree it is bad. But do we agree what it actually is? And how does it relate to judgement? What do you do to shut down a gossiping session or gossiper? Or could you care less? Even enjoy a good old gossip?

Response: I don't actually indulge in much gossip, much to my wife's annoyance! Maybe I am a bit boring on that front or self-centered. It certainly helps to lubricate the wheels of many people's interactions with each other, but I personally don't feel that what I know of others is mine to pass on to all and sundry just for entertainment as it makes me uncomfortable. Thus when I come home from work, I have nothing to relate, it is all gone, let go of in most instances.

Response: I think there's OK gossip and bad gossip. Humans are often quick to judge. We look at someone's behaviour that we don't understand and judge it, then we make up a story about it and tell it to others. Weird, unusual, or different does *not* mean horrible or criminal. I was using a public bathroom once in a stall beside another woman. It's normal for me to take a while due to a physical problem I have. Anyway, as I was washing my hands, I was shocked to see a male security guard come into the bathroom, called by that woman! Not sure why she called

him – maybe she thought I was using drugs? Anyway, both men and women are victims of gossip. Things that are innocent are twisted and people are made to look bad, intentionally or otherwise.

Response: Our human impulse is to share information with one another. We form networks by sharing our experiences. It's all words and feelings, and some of those words are harmonious and loving, while some are dark and divisive. Most are in the grey zone or even neutral. We have a choice as to how we share. If it is categorized as gossip but done in a respectful loving way, it's OK by me. If you want to be well known in a group, do something unusual or controversial – that spreads like wildfire. President Trump has perfected this technique!

Response: When you share to the public or to a group, then that is up for discussion. If you share to me one on one then, as far as I am concerned, that is private between us if it includes personal information. I feel uncomfortable in taking personal information and using it to facilitate gossip. General information is something else entirely. I know gossip lubricates the wheels of communication, but it has dangers attached to it.

Response: I saw this online several months ago and posted it - this is second posting: "IF YOU DIDN'T HEAR IT WITH YOUR OWN EARS OR SEE IT WITH YOUR

OWN EYES, DON'T INVENT IT WITH YOUR SMALL MIND AND SHARE IT WITH YOUR BIG MOUTH." (Grindi).

A lot of what we say or write is open to misinterpretation. Apparently there is a comma in The Second Amendment of the American Constitution which made the right to bear arms questionable until a pro-gun lobby Supreme Court ruled that the comma gave rather than restricted the right to bear arms only to an organised militia.

I guess some gossip is based on poor grammar, some on poor choices, and the bulk occurs out of malice.

Response: Umm, hoping that this discussion supports our group purpose of "informing and inspiring others to pray for the inflowing of God's Love into our souls." Given that, here's what a <u>contemporary message</u> has to say about gossip:

"Next question. Your friends are gossiping about an acquaintance of yours. They want you to participate and say negative things about her behind her back. Although you do not completely like this acquaintance, you refrain from contributing because you don't have the exact details and understand there are two sides to every story. What do you think this time?

[That it was a loving inaction with a free-will decision not to add unloving energy to the situation. So no blockage was created and it had a "positive' impact on the soul.]

Exactly. But it will not only have a positive impact because no blockage was created. It will also have a positive impact because love was able to flow through you while in that situation. And although nothing physical was done, not blocking your soul or letting natural love flow is the underlying action which will have a reaction namely; breaking down (a tiny bit of) "the wall" you've built around your soul. So you are actually doing loving things by not doing unloving things and are being compensated for it."

Response: Here are some dictionary definitions:

Gossip – noun: casual or unconstrained conversation or reports about other people, typically involving details which are not confirmed as true. "He became the subject of much local gossip."

Gossip – verb: to engage in gossip. "They would start gossiping about her as soon as she left."

All unloving. Better to deal with our own emotions that are driving our own unloving desire to talk about others – often without even knowing the facts of a situation.

Response: My only issue with this is that the Law of Compensation applies even if the what is said is true. It's

about denigrating another person for personal enhancement.

Response: Oh yes of course, but IF someone is "denigrating another person for personal enhancement" that is determined by God. The intent of denigrating is NEVER Truth. Denigrating is not loving and so it's "error" not Truth. From God's perspective of Love, the Real Truth is to be found in the emotion under the person's desire to be unloving. People who desire to denigrate another may have low self-worth for example. The Truth would be in them feeling that emotion to its core. No matter how firmly they believe their own position, they may be in their personal truth, and that "truth" be error from God's perspective.

But frequently others may view Truth as hurtful, because even when offered in love, it triggers their own unhealed emotions. Then people tend to shoot the messenger – even though the message was given with only loving intent. This frequently happens to me in this group.

One can still state the Truth with love and have no ill intent whatsoever – only love, and then there is no negative Compensation for that.

Response: Stating a spiritual truth is not gossip. Stating a truth unknown to a third party – like "did you know Joe is gay/bisexual/etc?" is going to give you compensation. As

is also telling me directly that I have an issue of "xyz" that I need to deal with when I have not asked you to "solve my problem of abc"

It is unloving to give unrequested "insight" to someone. Despite you having "good intentions" The clue here is our angels don't do it. It's extremely hard to get them to tell you exactly what your issue is. In fact, they dodge that and talk about generalities.

By the way, anyone who is a big gossiper, if they spend time in meditation will know that they feel empowered by sharing stuff about others that causes surprise to the hearer. It's totally not coming from God because He NEVER judges. And He does not need to.

Response: The issue was about gossiping. Denigrating will illicit Compensation as it is not love or truth even from the natural love perspective. But someone may "believe" you're denigrating when you're actually not and they've just had their own wounds triggered that they're "believing" to be the truth of the situation.

The example you gave could be unloving in the way of "inciting hatred or violence" towards Joe. Or the same statement could be used to give information to someone who is puzzled by something Joe did or said, in an effort to help them better understand more about Joe and inspire empathy, compassion and understanding for Joe. It's all

about your own intention when speaking to or about people.

Response: Yes, I know what the topic is. Gossip is everything said about someone not present. It's only an issue when it's negative. But it's also beyond intention. Intention alone does not bypass the Law of Compensation. It certainly reduces its effect, but this so called "good intention" to put people straight (which is not gossip in my view) does attract compensation UNLESS they asked. Because it breaches free will.

Yes, the essence of gossip is that something notable but unflattering (in the eyes of the speaker) is shared without the target being present. Whether the item is true or not is irrelevant to compensation being applied.

The objective is to enhance the speaker and belittle the third party. I would be surprised if big gossipers are willing to acknowledge that they do this for self-enhancement. It is unloving.

Still how should you react? Ignore it or shut it down? I will shut it down. Because I don't want to hear it in the first place because it's nearly impossible to remove that negativity from my brain once it's received. But in the only communication we have received, staying quiet, which is certainly less challenging in big groups that like to gossip

seems to avoid compensation in the listener. <u>This message</u>, mentioned above is relevant.

It only of recent times I admit I have taken this line and I have to check myself all the time. It is inevitable that we discuss others with a view to greater understanding. But that must stick to a positive result.

Integrating Divine Love with Church Experiences

Question: For those who are also part of a church or other spiritual expression that is not strictly Divine Love, how do you integrate Divine Love truth into your routines, practices etc. in these places?

In a way, the Divine Love community has no church or rituals/dogma to follow. Being a simple prayer practice, it does not lend itself easily to becoming a religion. Yet we all yearn for fellowship and community. So are you motivated to belong to a 'church' in order to fulfill those needs but still are deeply committed to the Divine Love path? Do you find that you are compromising this commitment by being a part of something not altogether in alignment with the Divine Love truths? Are those opportunities to pray together online and at organized retreats associated with Divine Love enough for you to feel that you belong to something that is community and fellowship? What more would you like to see happening in order to add to your experience and community as a Divine Love follower?

Response: Here's a quick answer to the first couple of questions. I came to Divine Love after a couple of years pursuing a contemplative Christian path and specifically the centering prayer practice (20 minutes, twice a day of sitting with God in silence). I find that despite our

theological differences, sitting with Christians or Catholics in 20 minutes of centering prayer is very complementary to the sitting in prayer with Divine Love followers. I like to think that God is using my soul with these other souls in ways I'm not consciously aware of. One of the groups I participate in is a fairly large group at a nearby Catholic church. After centering, we do a lesson. This week it was Eckhart Tolle. It may not be on Divine Love, but for me, it still feels like it's work that's helpful on my path. I'm also active in a couple of large Facebook groups, and link to the New Birth site where appropriate. These people are seekers too, so perhaps I'm sowing a few seeds that will create more Divine Love followers? One can only hope ... and pray!

Response: Yes, sowing seeds is very important and reaching out to other communities is certainly a good idea. Are you happy with what you are getting from the Divine Love community in terms of connection and a feel of something cohesive?

Response: I am, but I'm pretty fortunate to have both online and in-person options available.

This is the <u>link for the parent organization of centering</u> <u>prayer</u> which originated with Fr Thomas Keating. Maybe there's a group near you?

Response: Very good question(s). I grapple with this every day. I stopped taking communion at my Mormon

church, which is a massive statement. Then I read in The Lowlands of Heaven that the Eucharist is performed by some still holding onto their Christian beliefs. Apparently Jesus has not yet told them that it is a redundant practice, so they meet in fellowship on these occasions. Perhaps the fellowship is more important than the ceremony.

Response: I also meet with a centering prayer group and find that my ability to connect with God has deepened quite a bit now, and I've extended the time to twice a day for 30 mins. I use "Maranatha" as a mantra at times when I need help to quiet the mind, but my relationship with Jesus has become closer as brother and guide.

Response: My wife and I have church at home every Monday evening. We have a Divine Love circle with others who share this practice. We've been doing this at our home or at another's home for over 40 years. Because we have developed a community where we live, there is no need to go to church on a regular basis.

Now I am however the president of a spiritualist church in Vancouver and love the connection and involvement there. We speak regularly at this church sharing about Divine Love and related matters. It takes time and hutzpah to get a group together in your home or elsewhere, but your efforts will be rewarded in time. Seeking the Love together is the bonding blessing of community. Our online circles

certainly indicate that we do indeed have a strong virtual community established and growing. God will open doors to establishing fellowship and community wherever you are and however you are able to participate. Even going to a church service gives us the opportunity to share the good news of God's Love and to pray in community.

Commitment to Praying for Divine Love

Question: How strong is your commitment to receiving Divine Love? It seems that in order to really benefit from this prayer practice, one needs to be consistent and dedicated to it. It's not a casual thing, or at least there needs to be a strong desire to receive the Love and feel its effects. I'm not suggesting that one needs to think only about Divine Love, pray for hours of the day and be holier than thou. Rather it becomes an integral part of our day and a pleasure to our soul. Do you agree that the Divine Love reflexively becomes a living part of our daily life and easily entertained in thought and prayer? Have you found it to be a true pleasure and gift to your lives and do you recognize that you have a deep soul commitment to it? If so, how long did it take you to get to that place of integration and joy? Did this recognition come slowly or as a sort of revelation? Do you think that you could ever turn back from that place of soul recognition of this truth?

Response: So many questions! I dedicate the early morning to my meditation and prayer every day for at least hour at least. It is something which I now look forward to and enjoy.

I knew I would if I made the commitment and created the habit and it has been so.

Aspects of this search have permeated my life, but over the last few years it has become much more focused and sustained. Whenever I have a quiet moment, it is on my mind in one form or another. This is assisted by the energy I have running through my system which is a continuous reminder to me of a growing potential.

I am trying to remember when this last effort began, maybe five years ago, and half that for Divine Love.

So would I stop? I hope not. I think I am in for the long run, or as long as I am given. Let's hope so.

Response: If you have but a drop of Divine Love, your soul has all eternity and will never stop seeking more (although efforts may slack off for a time.)

Response: I was reading a message on this very thing today: "But when the Divine Love enters into [the soul], and it becomes permeated, as it were, with the Divine Essence, then it takes on the Divine nature of the Father, and to the extent that it receives and possesses this Love, it becomes at-one with God and ceases to be a mere image, and becomes transformed into the substance.

The soul in this condition is altogether a different entity from the soul in the condition in which it was created, and no longer is subject to the dominion of either the mind or of the animal appetites and desires, and, hence, the spirit possessing such a soul is, in essence, a part of the Father, or as Jesus said, is in the Father and the Father in it. ...

But when once the inflowing of the Love commences, it continues eternally. Although there may be times of stagnation and apparent loss of this Divine Essence, yet always is the transformation taking place, and at certain stages in its progress, the possession of this Divine Love will be so great that the original soul, or its original qualities will entirely disappear and leave only the new qualities which the Divine Love has implanted in it. The leaven when once deposited never ceases to work until the whole shall become leavened."

Response: I know I have discovered it needs to be daily, even if my prayer is only 10 minutes. When I drift, I feel the difference. I am a much better person when I pray and ask for Divine Love daily. I miss the connection when I don't.

Response: My prayer commitment is daily, usually an hour in the morning and other commitments. We call ourselves prayer-holics. I am committed to this path, it came with a knowing and burning in my solar plexus when I was told about it, but my mind took more time to accept it. That was many years ago now. It took some time to fully integrate these truths but when I got it, I was fully committed. There is nothing like God's Touch of Love in all the world. I settled for the highest and best.

Response: I believe that daily commitment is essential - for me, formally morning and evening at least 15-20 minutes, with very short prayers throughout the day as opportunities arise. I have been in a Christian prayer practice for 50 years, though not always specifically for Divine Love.

Response: I can do with a lot of natural love first, despite all the imperfections of the participants.

Response: Actually, the two paths are pretty well parallel as far as outside appearances (there is a message that says that to follow the Divine Love path, the natural path has to be followed as well.) Praying for the Divine Love while making conscious decisions to be kind and generally making right choices, you will grow in both the natural love and Divine Love. For the Divine Love, the growth is from within by soul transformation and becoming a new creature/person. For the natural love path, the growth occurs through striving, exercising our wills, in other words, largely our own effort — with God's help.

Where the Mind Stops, the Soul Starts

Question: In everyday life, where does mind end and soul takes over?

This question popped into my head during my morning meditation, so I made a mental note of it as it's an interesting thought to explore.

Response: Isn't the soul and the mind supposedly intertwined? For my educability and understanding, I may liken the mind to the limited or conscious state of the human, while the soul to the unlimited or super consciousness of a person where at this time his antenna is receptive to revelation, vision and intuition.

Response: I don't believe that there are defined boundaries to this. The mind loves definition and delineation, whereas the soul infiltrates and interacts like water washing us with wisdom and feeling. That is why it becomes so much clearer in prayer and meditation as the mind recedes and the soul comes forward. But this is not in a flick-of-a-switch sort of way, but rather an upliftment and shifting of consciousness like the clouds parting and the sun coming out.

Response: I have found a point in deep meditation where when I go beyond, I can't remember where I have

been. I don't think I am asleep! Increasing the time in the border lands between the two states helps in the retention.

The feeling mentioned in the previous comment is something else again, a thing of great, almost unbearable, intensity, so maybe these are not the same thing and it is spirit not soul that is reached in the borderlands.

Response: Soul is encased within our spirit bodies and all that this entails. Consciousness then isn't separate or defined by either, instead it must vacillate and shift between the two sources of awareness. If soul consciousness is not well understood or recognized by the mind, maybe it is this blank state that you refer to? I wish that I could be more specific but alas, my knowledge is limited by my own experiences.

Response: I suspect this is one of those mysteries that our human minds aren't able (or meant) to comprehend entirely. But for me, I think one way to look at it is that everything is energy, and the mind's energy is a different frequency than the soul's. If your antenna is tuned into the mind frequency, it's going to be harder to perceive the soul's ... and vice versa.

Showing Friends that Mediumship is Legitimate

Question: I would like to know what your response would be to someone who may call the ways in which we receive messages sacrilegious.

I've come across some really "literal believers" in the Bible that challenge my patience with the truth that I try to express. I know how to love those people anyway and let God do the work. But I am curious about how I can present the truth without feeling like I'm doing something wrong by believing in mediums as a source of information.

Response: Remind them how they got the Bible in the first place.

Response: There are several examples in the Bible itself where people were communicated to by spirit. If then why not now?

Response: I usually quote the Transfiguration as the most obvious, but these folks say that Jesus was allowed to break any commandments he chose to. Unbelievable!?

Response: I am not a Bible scholar, but this passage was a reading one Sunday at Mass and I held on to it: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6: "When you read this, you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made

known to human beings in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit, that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel."

Response: Here is a couple of other relevant passages:

2Timothy 3:16-17 - All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2Peter 1:16 We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

2Pe 1:17 For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

2Pe 1:18 We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

2Pe 1:19 And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

2Pe 1:20 Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation.

2Pe 1:21 For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

Response: You can't win this argument with facts but here are the facts.

Response: Thanks. I guess I'm trying to figure out how I can present new information to people who don't believe that God still to this day is sending messages to us through mediums.

Response: Well, Catholics certainly believe that because they have Fatima and Lourdes plus others. But you can only reach people when they are ready.

I don't often try to convince people of mediumship but I don't hide it either. My very first approach usually is to encourage them to <u>experience God's Love</u>.

Response: This is certainly a good question, and one that I had to answer for myself when I came across the Padgett messages a few years ago. I have several articles on my website, some based on my own experience and Bible research and others from my reading. This page, and the articles listed at the bottom of it may give you something to

share with your friends, but as mentioned, people will not accept new information unless they are ready and their minds are open.

As far as showing people that the Padgett Messages have parallels in the Bible as to the main premise, i.e., salvation through the transformation by the Divine Love imparted by the Holy Spirit, rather by Jesus' blood and death on the cross, I have compiled <u>this info</u>.

Inspiration Relevant to Corona Virus

Question: For those of you who are able to receive messages from the spirit world, what are they saying about this Coronavirus, if anything?

Response: I am not a medium, but this is what a wrote in another group's forum. It is something, possibly unpalatable, to ponder.

If there is a reason behind all the accumulating cataclysmic scenarios playing before us, then maybe it has to continue to play its hand. Change in thinking and in acting is hard to implement at the best if times, but at the worst if times, many changes may happen. Take away the everyday bustle and fight to win and instead prescribe forced contemplation and quiet!

So maybe this Virus will do us all a service. Maybe it's a wake-up call which we can all understand. Maybe this is how a new direction is started in the minds of many staying at home. Maybe this is how average everyday people start to reappraise their relation with God.

If we are to pray for anything, and we definitely should, then it is for the Life and light of the Father Creator to gain a hold in all our souls past the encrustations of materialism and to help direct our lives in New ways which benefit the Earth and our fellow man. The virus us just a side show to start to get our attention. Treat it as such and focus on the real goal.

Response: To add to the above comment, this is from Augustine's message: "[The] collaboration between mind and soul is what you must hone and know well. And in this time that you have in prayer and contemplation of being alone and separate from others, bring this to your hearts, the understanding souls. Bring collaboration, this harmony, between the soul and the mind into clearer focus so that when you are able to enter into the world again, you will have a clear understanding of the footsteps that are coming. And that your mind will not distract you with worry and fear and wonder. Rather, the mind will feel comforted that the soul knows and that God knows and that you will be guided accordingly, day by day. This is what is important."

So yes, I think we are to pray so that we are ready for what comes next. It's not a return to life as it was before coronavirus, but to be able to be guided from our souls to support God's plan for healing the planet and humankind.

Response: I don't claim to be a medium but every time I see people "clapping for health care workers at 8:00" or opening stores early for seniors I just think, THIS is what our world needed – more love shown!!

Response: Here are three links that I found helpful and balanced and that tie in with the above.

 $\frac{https://medium.com/age-of-awareness/phase-shift-}{has-arrived-who-declares-pandemic-83da330fdc5d}$

https://nathancrane.com/why-we-should-not-be-afraid-of.../

 $\underline{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dpfRuG9JzpA\&fe}\\ \underline{ature=youtu.be}$

The virus and what is happening as a consequence may well be a catalyst to the coming of a new age of cooperation, closer and more respectful relationship with Mother Earth and spiritual connection of humans with their Creator. Apparently, we are at the conjunction of two time cycles --24,000 years and 6,000 and there is evidence from (not so well known) history that a new age comes every 6,000 years or so. One of the above links touches on that and this lady is not the only one that says it. So we appear to be at a transition of ages and there is light at the end of the dark tunnel -- akin to the novel that Jane Gartshore was inspired by Jesus to write, "For the Love of His Creation."

