

# **Divine Love Newsletter**

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# **FROM THE EDITORS**

Blessings and love to you! Welcome to the May 2021 Divine Love Newsletter – a newsletter dedicated to the Divine Love Community of souls. We are happy to create this publication to assist in bringing together God's children who have embraced Jesus' teachings as communicated through James Padgett and others, and are pursuing the way to at-onement with our Heavenly Father by praying for His Divine Love.

In this issue, Eva Peck provides a summary of lessons from her spiritual journey. Her insights resonate with me and I hope they do with you too. She has learned to not take an elitist attitude that only our community has the Divine Love or that we are the only group doing God's work. Padgett was told of many individuals who had Divine Love in their souls, and there are numerous organizations and individuals doing God's work which we could learn from. Accept yourself as you are and don't compare yourself to others. Be in a state of gratitude for the gifts that God has given you. Don't fall for the trap of concluding that if you don't feel physical sensations, you have not received God's Love. Everyone's experience of receiving the Divine Love is different. Choose to do the right thing, to act kindly and to imitate Jesus' example. Just because you may have Divine Love in your soul doesn't mean you will automatically make loving choices. Nobody is perfect – don't put people or organizations on pedestals. Don't hold grudges – forgive those who may have hurt you and ask forgiveness of others. Finally, ask for help to view others through God's eyes. These are wonderful lessons and insights that can help all of us on our spiritual journey.

We are excited to introduce the LightBringers group – a new global outreach within the Divine Love community connecting those who feel called to ask for Divine Love, live in harmony with God's Love, and serve according to their unique gifts. It is uplifting to see like-minded souls dedicated to bringing more divine light and love into our world. With the release of every newsletter we feel much gratitude for all the wonderful souls who are following their hearts and guidance in fulfilling their role in God's plan of salvation for humankind.

Jeanne Fike offers a celebration of life article for Charles "Charlie" Thompson who recently passed away. He was active in the DLSF community and as Jeanne says, he is an angel-in-the-making. We are also including a link to the DLSF's 2020 annual report. It is no surprise that they had a productive and fruitful year.

Al Fike presents a beautiful poem "Fish to the Sea". Catherine Kent is inviting everyone for online fellowship in celebration of all that is good in life on Saturday, 22 May 2021, 5 pm EDT. The Foundation Church of New Birth has started a YouTube Channel featuring a playlist of 28 three-to-five-minute recordings of excerpts of Jesus' words through Padgett about Divine Love. They have readings in various languages and are welcoming volunteers to record readings in other languages. Over the last two months, LightBringers Lorraine Borchers, Beth Bleaden and Yvonne Riley have interviewed a number of Divine Love souls, whose spiritual journey stories can be watched here. We congratulate William Montano as the newest ordained minister of the Foundation Church of Divine Truth. The Foundation Church of Divine Truth has recently updated *Angelic Revelations of Divine Truth*, Vol. I and II with books available both in print and on Kindle at Amazon. Patricia Tran published *The Cookie Kindness Circle*, an illustrated children's book fostering kind actions and gratitude. The book is available in paperback and Kindle versions on Amazon. Lastly, we share an unpublished Padgett message from Jesus: *The Father's Love is never far away when temptation strikes*.

We hope that you will find this newsletter edifying and profitable and welcome your comments, as well as future contributions.

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# LESSONS AND INSIGHTS FROM MY SPIRITUAL JOURNEY (EVA PECK)



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Recently, at the request of DLSF, I gave a presentation about my 50-year spiritual journey which can be watched here. As a part of it, I included some lessons that I have learned over the years and that I feel others might also benefit from. So here are the insights gained.

My first church affiliation was one where the group felt we had unique truths and were right, while others didn't quite have it (sounds familiar?). This resulted in an unhealthy feeling of superiority, pride and looking down on others. It also led to being judgmental and condescending, none of which are loving attitudes. With our understanding of the Divine Love and other

truths, our community can also fall into this pitfall if we are not careful. To some degree we can be justified in feeling we have unique and special truths. This however was given to each of us by God's grace – I believe that we were all meant to be on and led to this path. A more appropriate response in my opinion, and an antidote to pride would be humility. It is also good to recognize that there is still a great deal that we do not know and understand, and that having Divine Love in our souls is not exclusive to our group or community. Padgett was told over and over again that some, or even many in the churches, were close to the Kingdom of God as a result of a lot of Divine Love in their souls.

A related pitfall to the above that I too experienced and that is also generating pride and arrogance, is believing that we are the only group doing God's Work. I would like to submit that there are many groups out there that are promoting love and light in the best way they can and having a significant positive impact on the world. They may not all be Christian, but many adherents to other religions or none are making the world a better place.

Another important realization for me has been that we are all unique and each have a different journey on the Divine Love path, as well as different gifts. Therefore, comparing among ourselves and wishing for others' experiences and gifts is counterproductive and can make us unnecessarily frustrated and miserable. The key is getting to know and appreciate our gifts and seeking ways to use them to the best of our ability. It means accepting ourselves as we are, being grateful for what God has done in our lives, and seeking guidance through prayer on how to be the best we can be.

Akin to the above is the realization that while many in the Divine Love have psychic gifts, be it mediumship, seeing or feeling the presence of spirit, having visions, etc., and while many also have physical sensations in receiving God's Love, there are quite a few who don't have any of these experiences. With the fairly strong emphasis on physical sensations in our community, those who don't have these experiences can and have felt like something is wrong with them or they are doing something wrong, not praying in the right way, not receiving the Love into their soul, etc. This is not true because the messages tell us that many in the churches have the Divine Love in their souls without direct awareness or understanding of It. A sizable number of us feel, retrospectively, that we were receiving God's Love for a longer or shorter time before learning about it or discovering the messages.

The key to remember is that if you are sincerely seeking God and His Love through earnest desire and heartfelt prayer, you can be assured and have the faith that you are receiving it. The "proof of the pudding" is not so much physical sensations as a changed life. We are becoming a "new creature" who are acquiring the divine nature – the loving nature of our Heavenly Father that is enabling us to fulfill the Eleventh Commandment of Jesus to love as he loved – with the Divine Love.

In growing in the Love, we are all work in progress and I dare say none of us have reached a point where we act lovingly all the time. This takes a constant alertness to the choices we make in every situation. It is not enough to pray for the Love, we have to choose over and over again to live the Love. The messages tell us that in this respect, the natural love path and the Divine Love path run parallel – we still have to choose to do the right thing, to act kindly, to imitate Jesus' example – though with our heart and soul being transformed by the Love, this gets easier and easier.

Tying in with the above point, while we are praying for God's Love, it is important to remember that no community or church group will be perfect as long as it consists of imperfect humans. When we join the Community, it is easy to expect that all people will act lovingly and then be disappointed when this is not always the case. Realistically speaking, in every group, we'll "get our toes stood on" or experience hurts and disappointments. I have had to come to this realization and downgrade my expectations ever since the first church I joined when I was in my late teens. So, the key is to realize that most of the time people mean well, do the best they can, but will not act lovingly all the time.

Further related to the above is the importance of not allowing grudges to fester which can then turn into bitterness. These are the kind of things that defile our souls and hinder our prayers. They hurt and harm us more than the offending party. So be forgiving, compassionate, loving, and above all, practice the Golden Rule – do or don't do unto others what you would like them to do or avoid doing unto you. And most importantly, let's keep in mind that the new commandment that Jesus gave to his disciples is "Love one another as I have loved you" – with the Divine Love transforming our souls.

And lastly, view others through God's eyes – as God's children made in His image, created all good, and eventually, despite the sins that are presently defiling their souls, everyone will return to either their God-given perfection with a pure soul, or better yet, a glorious, sinless state of a divine soul transformed by God's own Love. Bless those that are not acting lovingly in their future state of perfection that they will one day reach.

We are all equal in the eyes of God, and loved equally. Let's not judge and condemn those who do not share our values and beliefs, who struggle, who may annoy or trigger us for various reasons, for underneath is a soul yearning to be loved. Instead, let's view the individuals with the eyes of compassion and love. Also, we need to have love and compassion for ourselves, for we too struggle in our own way. Be gentle with yourself and others, and strive to be in harmony and a close relationship with God, for this will help us with our worries and cares and our guidance will become easier to discern.

I hope that these lessons will help you on your spiritual journey.

# LIGHTBRINGERS – CONNECTING AND SERVING IN DIVINE LOVE

LightBringers is a new global outreach within the Divine Love community connecting those who feel called to ask for Divine Love, live in harmony with Divine Love, and serve according to their unique gifts.

LightBringers started in the fall of 2020 when Chuck Bloodgood (Austin, Texas), the chief architect of an I.T. company, contacted Al and Jeanne Fike. A man of faith all his life, Chuck had been following the Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation (DLSF) for a couple of years. Chuck, Al, and Jeanne started having weekly conversations.

After a few weeks, Al and Jeanne acted on guidance to invite Lorraine Borchers (Bend, Oregon), a retired administrator at a large university, and Bill Frase (Monroeville, Pennsylvania), © Foundation Church of Divine Truth, Inc.



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another talented visionary and capable administrator. We continued weekly conversations on how to facilitate and support the groundswell of connections among Divine Love followers stepping up to share the reality, truth, and power of Divine Love in collaborative and creative ways.

Each week we receive messages of encouragement and inspiration from the Celestial angels, affirming that God is calling souls together to share their gifts, creations, and ministries. The calling received by our small group reflects a growing desire in many others to bring more love and light into the world.

During the past few months, various LightBringers have formed groups and teams around needs like welcoming and supporting newcomers, website development, children and family support, addictions, healing, Circles of Light, Divine Love learning opportunities, and sharing our Divine Love journeys.

LightBringers launched their first program in February with 17 participants sharing experiences hosting group prayer known as Circles of Light. A community of practice is developing to provide mutual support regarding challenges and opportunities.

In March, work on the LightBringers website started. The site is

still under construction, but will provide information, resources, and ways to connect with others within the Divine Love community.

In mid-April, LightBringers launched a second program – to study the life and work of James Padgett. Another project is interviewing individuals about their journeys of finding and living Divine Love. The growing list of presentations can be found on YouTube.

Program development is ongoing with many creative ideas under consideration and discussion. We know that others throughout the world have developed inspired and valuable resources which we hope to connect within LightBringers so there will be no duplication of effort. We welcome anyone to join and share their gifts and expertise as they are inspired.

We believe that God has a plan. Many of us desire to be a part of His plan and to find our place and purpose within it. We want to find creative ways to share our God-given gifts for the greater good in service to God's Will. Those of us who call ourselves LightBringers want to provide a way in which everyone can feel welcome and included in greater service to humanity. We feel called to step up our communication and collaboration in new and creative ways as a loving family. All the puzzle pieces are coming together for more of us to find greater opportunities to join in joyful service to one another, humankind, and our beloved Creator. Our wish is to include everyone who desires to join us in the spirit of love, embracing all, utilizing everyone's gifts, and thereby growing the Lattice of Light throughout the world.

This chaotic time of earth changes is ideal for a coalition of like-minded and soul-inspired individuals. The COVID-19 pandemic has been a powerful catalyst, bringing together many people through different social media platforms. We have a historic opportunity to attract and invite many more people to experience Divine Love and support one another as we do so. We see more people connecting, sharing, and expressing their unique gifts in service of God's plan for all. By dedicating

ourselves to inclusive approaches to communication and collaboration as well as celebrating our differences, we believe that our efforts will be magnified and deeply blessed, and our Creator's Plan will be achieved.

By working together in a supportive community, we believe we have a greater chance for success. As LightBringers, our ideal is collaboration inspired by the Divine Love that connects our souls with one another and with God. LightBringers is a dynamic and inclusive community where everyone has opportunities to receive the love, respect, and appreciation that is their birthright as children of God. We want to create a safe space for those on the Divine Love Path to listen to one another and support mutual efforts to bring positive change to the world. We celebrate diversity and desire to include all who want to join us in love, peace, and harmony.

Join us! There is space for all who want to help others experience God's Love. Connect with us to explore and realize many more inspired possibilities to bring the Light of God's Love to the world! For more information, please email us.

LightBringers Board: Bill Frase, President; Lorraine Borchers, Secretary; Al Fike, Treasurer; Chuck Bloodgood; Jeanne Fike

# CELEBRATION OF LIFE: CHARLES THOMPSON (11/18/1941 - 3/12/2021) – JEANNE FIKE



Photo from Shuler Funeral Home website

With this short article, Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation pays tribute to Charles "Charlie" Thompson, a generous supporter and friend of both DLSF and FCNB who passed into spirit on March 12, 2021 after a courageous battle with cancer.

A native and lifelong resident of North Carolina, Charlie is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Linda, two children, five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Our first communication with Charlie occurred in 2017 and was a big surprise and a very sweet memory. It came in the form of a substantial donation in the mail – in fact the largest donation we had received since 2012 when DLSF was founded! We couldn't believe our good fortune because Al and I, with Judy Dunbar and Raphael Legros, were about to leave on a Soul Awakening tour to several cities in the eastern U.S. So these funds were greatly appreciated and helped with airfare and hotel expenses.

There was a return address label on the envelope with a very short note thanking us for our efforts, but we had no idea who Charlie was or how he knew about our work!

Charlie was a private person and remained somewhat of a mystery man for the next

couple of years. We began to correspond by snail mail, then one day, thanks to modern technology, his email address popped up on my iPhone and so began a more frequent correspondence. Charlie loved to ask Al and me questions and we enjoyed many great spiritual discussions.

For the last two years of his life, Charlie never missed praying with us for Divine Love once or twice a week via Zoom. A gentle, generous soul, Charlie endeared himself to our Divine Love family.

Charlie continues to join us in Online Circles of Light as we come together to pray for Divine Love. Recently our Celestial guide Goldie conveyed a beautiful message from Charlie to his friends that he continues to pray for us all and the Divine Love movement. He expressed that he is overjoyed in his new home and grateful for overcoming the struggles to feel God that he had on earth. He said all that is gone now and he truly feels the warm embrace of God's Love and wonderous touch on his soul. Charlie came to profess that the Truths of God's Love are real and that every prayer makes a difference.

Thanks to Lorraine Borchers in Bend, Oregon, a book of blessings from Jesus and Celestial Angels which will be dedicated to Charlie, is in the works. God Bless our dear friend Charlie Thompson, another angel-in-the making! © Foundation Church of Divine Truth, Inc.
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# **DIVINE LOVE SANCTUARY FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT**

DLSF had a wonderfully productive and fruitful year in 2020. Their impressive annual report, compiled by Jeanne Fike, is too long to publish here but can be read in its entirety, including financial aspects, at the DLSF forum. We congratulate them on their accomplishments for God and His plan for the salvation of humanity.

# **POETRY CORNER (AL FIKE)**



Sleek bodied is my soul, Immersed in divine waters it flows, Driven by heartfelt desire, To the sea, to the sea I must go.

This longing deep within me knows, I belong within the liquid bliss of God's Soul. That place, it draws me so, To the sea, to the sea I must go.

My mind finds Grace an awkward thing, Its land locked life no joy it brings. With no slippery current in which to glide It fears the pulling of the tide.

That battle between land and sea, Keeps me full of antipathy. At times I feel as if I'm free, But mind sees so differently. © Foundation Church of Divine Truth, Inc. I prefer to seek that sleekness within, A place where Love can swim. Releasing the shackles of my mind, Divine current I must find.

To the sea, to the sea I must go, This journey home my soul knows. Discovering liquid grace, I enter willingly that place, Where in waters deep joy unfolds, Following God's guided flow.

I know that now I will never stay Within confines of earthen clay. It's that other part of me I obey, For to the sea I must go each and every day.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- In these challenging times, **Catherine Kent** is inviting everyone for online fellowship in celebration of all that is *good* in life. This will take place on Saturday, 22 May 2021 at 5-6 pm Eastern US time at this Zoom link.
- Divine Love Ministry is entertaining the idea of a mid-August mini-retreat on the island of Kauai in Hawaii pending the COVID-19 situation. Kauai is a beautiful and healing place that has an energy about it that is conducive to being in a prayerful state all the time. If you have interest, please contact Carolyn.

# **MEMBER / COMMUNITY NEWS**

## FCNB Videos of Divine Love Readings on YouTube

FCNB's YouTube Channel features a playlist of 28 (to be added to) three-to-five-minute recordings of excerpts of Jesus' words through James Padgett about *Divine Love*, accompanied by a slide show of uplifting nature photographs. Volunteers from all over the world have faithfully read and recorded these passages about the availability of God's Divine Love—how to pray for It, Its deep value to mankind, and that It brings us into at-onement with our Heavenly Father's Divine Love. We suggest that you click on several videos until you find the voice—or several voices—that touch something in you. While most of the readings are in English, there are ten other languages in which these precious teachings are shared. The Playlist indicates the language used in each video. Feel free to become a subscriber! And if you'd like to translate these words into your native language to read and record and to have them added to our YouTube channel, please contact FCNB.

## **Spiritual Journey Sharing**

On March 13, **Artto Aunap** from Estonia gave a Zoom presentation, sponsored by the DLSF, about his spiritual journey and how he is spreading the truth in his country. Over the last two months, LightBringers Lorraine Borchers, Beth Bleaden and Yvonne Riley interviewed **Bill Frase**, **Jesse Jonas**, **Yvonne Riley**, **Jeanne Fike**, **Al Fike**, **Brooke Folk** and **Chuck Bloodgood**. The inspiring presentations of their spiritual journeys can be viewed here, along with those of others on the Divine Love path. Contact Lorraine if you'd like to share the story of your journey.

## Ordination

The FCDT Trustees are pleased to welcome **William Montano** as a minister in the church and wish him much success and blessing as he disseminates the truths of Divine Love according to his gifts and guidance.

## **New Books**

**FCDT** published a Kindle version of *Angelic Revelations of Divine Truth, Vol. I and Vol II.* An updated paperback edition is also available for Volume I and Volume II.

**Patricia Tran** published *The Cookie Kindness Circle*, an illustrated children's book fostering kind actions and gratitude. The book is available in paperback and Kindle versions on Amazon.

**Christian Blandin** had recently completed translating into French Volume 4 of *True Gospel Revealed Anew by Jesus*. The translation of TGRABJ Volume 3 is here. Christian's reflection on his 5-year translating journey through the Judas Messages and all four volumes of the Padgett Messages is on the DLSF forum.

# **PRAYING AND SHARING ACROSS THE MILES**

## DLSF / FCDT Circles of Light and Other Opportunities for Prayer, Sharing and Learning

• See the DLSF website for Circles of Light with times and contact information for the hosts. For special Winter events and programs, click here. If you would like to receive weekly information about new and upcoming programs and online

prayer circles, please sign up for the weekly calendar which is sent out every Friday via Mailchimp. For any questions, please contact Jeanne.

## **Other Groups and Circles**

- Jan Blackston coordinates a *prayer/study group* on Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 pm Eastern US time on Zoom. If interested, please contact Jan.
- <u>Gregory</u> Boster is offering "Celestial Healing Qigong & Divine Love Meditation" on Thursdays and Sundays 7:30 8:30 pm Eastern US Time, on Zoom. This meditation incorporates both moving and stillness. The movement cultivates the flow of Life Force through the body and the non-moving allows going deeper into soul awakening and connection with the Divine. If you would like to participate and experience whole healing and the integration and transformation of the soul, please contact Greg@LoveLightPower.com for the Zoom link. For more information, go to LoveLightPower.com.

#### New in 2021

• <u>Tim Foley</u> cordially invites newsletter readers to join him each day for a "community prayer" for the inflowing of Divine Love followed by a 20-to-30-minute silent contemplative prayer. It will be offline and begin promptly at 6:00 PM Pacific Time. For details or to sign on (optional), contact Tim.

# **DIVINE LOVE RESOURCES**

### **FCDT Books**

- The FCDT has several cases of books Angelic Revelations, Vol 2, New Testament Revelations of Jesus of Nazareth, and What Happens After You Die that are free to ministers and followers for distribution. If interested, please contact Holly.
- *Divine Love Ministers Handbook* is available to purchase from Lulu. Its main purpose is to assist those who conduct weddings, child blessings, church services, etc. Rev. Jimbeau Walsh is also offering a ring-binder deluxe version.

#### **FCNB Image Archive**

The FCNB can provide a 64GB flash drive to anyone interested in helping to preserve the scanned images (22,000+ pages) of ALL the known-to-exist messages (autographs, handwritten manuscripts, and typed transcripts) that came through Mr. James Padgett and Dr. Daniel Samuels. If interested, please email us. We suggest a donation of \$25 to cover related costs.

## Padgett Messages in Other Languages

We now have extensive translations of the Padgett messages into French (Christian Blandin's website and Amazon); German (Klaus Fuchs' website, Markus Jäckle's website, Helge Mercker's YouTube channel, and Amazon); and Spanish (Geraldine Cousins' translation of TGRABJ, Vol. 1 on Amazon.) *Angelic Revelations of Divine Truth* as well as some contemporary messages in varying degrees of completion have been discovered in Spanish, Norwegian and Portuguese.

#### **Contemporary Messages**

Published contemporary messages from all known Divine Love mediums can be accessed from this page. If you are a medium with a public access to your messages, are not included, but would like to be, or if you wish to be listed differently or not at all, please contact us.

# **PADGETT MESSAGE**

UNPUBLISHED MESSAGE

#### The Father's Love is never far away when temptation strikes.

I am here, Jesus - Jesus, your brother and friend.

I come tonight to say a few words that you may be encouraged in your spiritual condition and made to feel that I am with you in your doubts and despondency.

I was with you last night and realized just what your condition is, and tried to influence you with my love and sympathy, and when you felt that you were all alone I endeavored to impress you with my help and the power of the love that I have received from the Father.

I know that while you are in the flesh and temptations come to you, there will be times when you will think that you are forsaken, or that the Father's love is not in and about you in all its beauty and sustaining influence, and that then thoughts will come to you, such as Job speaks of in the book that you have been reading, and God will seem a long way off. But, my brother, let me tell you with all the knowledge and love that I have, that God is never a way off from you in his love and that he is always ready and willing to help and comfort you, if you will only have faith and let your longings go out to him for the inflowing of this love into your soul. It is never absent from you, and awaits only your invitation for making itself real and consciously present with you. You only can prevent its coming into your soul, and, if you will believe that this is true and endeavor to realize how close this love is to you and how anxious the Father is that you receive it, you will be able to overcome these thoughts that arise from the weakness of the flesh, or rather, from the strength of the animal part of your nature.

So try to remember what I say, and whenever these thoughts come to you, look upon them as merely thoughts that come in the visions of the night and have no real foundation for their existence. As you may not know, real thoughts can arise only from that which is real, and when this love of the Father comes into your soul, appetites and passions that arise from the perversion of the animal nature of your being, cease to be real and are merely the recollections of what has been - a resultant of that perversion. This love makes that which aforetime was perverse a genuine thing of truth, in harmony with God and goodness.

Life is of God and, when not perverted by the will of man, is like unto the goodness from which it comes; and good and evil are conditions which are only, as in the one case, God is real, and in the other, evil is not real as being a part of the creation of God. It, sin, is the creation of man, and that man disobedient and out of harmony with his own creation and the laws of his creator.

I write this to encourage your faith in the goodness of God, and in the inherent goodness of yourself, and to confirm your faith and knowledge in the truth that in God's universe all is good, and only that is sinful which man himself, in violation of the will of the Father, had created and afterwards cultivated and nurtured. So believe this, that when this love comes into your soul you have the possession of that which will enable you to forget the creatures of your own will and make successful your efforts to cease the cultivation of this resultant of your own creation.

It is only when you, for the moment, forget or cease to realize that this love is yours, does the existence of the evil, which was as you may think to be naturally yours, become to you real, at least in your thoughts appear to be real. You have experienced the condition of soul when these thoughts had no place in your life, and were to you as if they had never been; and what you have thus experienced may, if you let live your faith in the possession of this love, continue to be your condition without intermission, and you be enabled to enjoy consciously the reality of its continuous existence.

Add I further know, that this state of freedom from thoughts of evil requires you to watch and, upon the first suggestion of such thoughts, pray to the Father for the increased expression of his love and you will not be disappointed, As in the prayer which I have given you, you are taught to ask that help may be given you to overcome all temptations of the flesh and the influence of the evil ones, so I repeat, let your supplications for this help ascend to the Father when first you feel the temptation, for so far as regards your condition of soul qualities, these temptations and influences are real.

The evil ones are with all mortals, and the condition of the soul determines whether they, the evil ones, can or not make a rapport with the mortals; and when this love comes into the soul such rapport is impossible. Then the secret of overcoming temptations is to have the soul qualities in such condition that the rapport cannot be made.

I know that men, sometimes, by their course of thinking of things good and pure invite this rapport, but this is not to be relied on as a sure preventive, for thoughts are changeable and the results of the appetites and emotions, and the natural, as I may say, tendencies of men are to gratify these appetites when not curbed by the higher development of their moral qualities, which qualities are very susceptible to the influence of the sensual natures of man.

I felt the necessity of writing to you as I have, for it is so important both for yourself, personally, and as my instrument for the work that has been given you to do, that you acquire more of this love and the knowledge by which you may be helped so very much to overcome these temptations and influences. The more love, the less the power of temptation and the possibility of thoughts that do not find their source in this love. So I say to you: watch and pray.

Well, I will not write more tonight, and with my love and blessings will say good-night and God bless you. I will come soon and write another message, and hope that you may be in condition to receive it as successfully and correctly as you did my last one.

Your friend and brother, Jesus.