



# Divine Love Newsletter

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## FROM THE EDITORS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are pleased to share with you this New-Year issue of the Divine Love Newsletter. May the reflections, teachings, creative expressions, and community updates within these pages deepen your understanding of God's Divine Love and encourage you along the path of spiritual transformation and New Birth.

### In this issue:

- **A New Creature** – Ron Shoemaker explores the profound distinction between the “Old Creature” and the “New Creature,” drawing on Scripture and the Padgett Messages. He reflects on humanity’s original creation in the image of God, the limitations of natural love, and the radical transformation that occurs when Divine Love becomes the dominant force in the soul. Ron illustrates how the New Birth results in a self-sustaining, permanent soul condition that reflects God’s Divine Nature and is no longer subject to the changing desires of the natural self.
- **God’s Desire and Hope for Us** – Artto Aunap shares a personal reflection on soul-to-soul communion with our Heavenly Father. He reminds us that God has no unrealistic expectations and experiences no disappointment with us. Letting go of self-judgment opens the way to greater harmony, freedom, and love.
- **Love Given Is Not Diminished** – Lisa Sims offers a thoughtful meditation on the nature of Divine Love and how it flows through prayer, ministry, and daily life. Challenging the idea that love is finite, she explains that Divine Love is never depleted by giving. Drawing on the life and teachings of Jesus, she shows how love shared increases receptivity, alignment, and spiritual growth, both before and after full divine transformation.
- **HappyDays Farm: A Sacred Space in Oregon** – Lorraine Borchers introduces HappyDays Farm, a retreat sanctuary created to support prayer, reflection, and Divine Love fellowship. She shares the story of the farm’s unfolding purpose, the inaugural retreat, and upcoming gatherings designed to provide seekers with a peaceful space to connect with God, one another, and nature.
- **Praying and Sharing Across the Miles** – Information is provided on Circles of Light, prayer gatherings, retreats, and online opportunities offering many ways to stay connected in prayer and spiritual growth.
- **Poetry Corner** – Jimbeau Walsh contributes the poem/song lyrics “On the Wings of Love”.
- **Community News and Divine Love Resources** – These two sections inform about new books, videos, music, websites, and other creative projects from members of the Divine Love community, along with extensive resources for study, prayer, and sharing the Padgett Messages around the world.

We hope this issue encourages you to continue opening your soul to the Father’s Love, trusting in its power to transform, sustain, and guide you under all circumstances.

With Love and Blessings,  
*The Divine Love Newsletter Team*

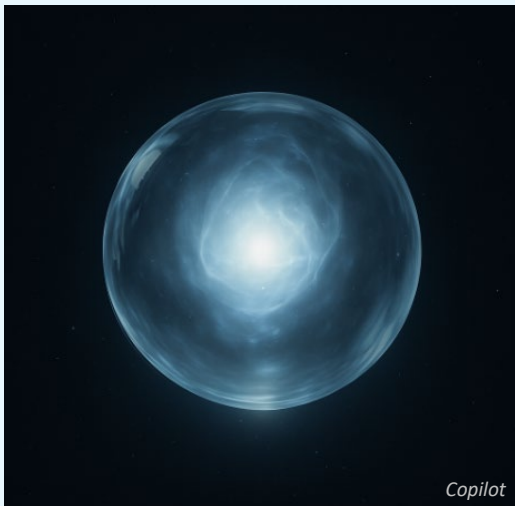
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## A NEW CREATURE (RON SHOEMAKER)

When I was younger, I attended a Protestant church. I remember the idea that people could be born again, resulting in a New Creature. I wondered what this New Creature was. Then, I thought there must be an Old Creature somewhere in the background. Maybe it was the first parents and their offspring. I wondered what the Old Creature was like.

All quotations are from TGRABJ, Vol. 1 unless otherwise noted. In the Old Testament, Genesis 1:26, God says "Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness;" Looking at this through the lens of TGRABJ, Vol. 2, p. 251, Jesus writes that "the soul is the vital, living and never dying part of man - is really the man - and the only thing that was intended to continue an existence in the spirit world. It was made in the image of God, ..." In Vol. 1, p. 14, Jesus says, "Man, in body, soul and spirit body, is only a creation of God, and, as to the soul, an image of its Creator, ..." Then in Vol. 2, p. 268, Luke adds, "God gave to man in his creation, the great power of will and the right to its unlimited exercise," and continues on p. 269, "This may seem unbelievable, but man was created so independent in his great will power, as regards the qualities of thought and desire both spiritual and material, that God never interferes to compel."

So it seems that the Old Creature was made in the image and likeness of God with unrestricted will power. I understand this to mean that if I saw the Soul of God and the soul of man side by side, they would appear alike and their loves would express similar qualities such as compassion, forgiveness, empathy, wisdom, patience and more.



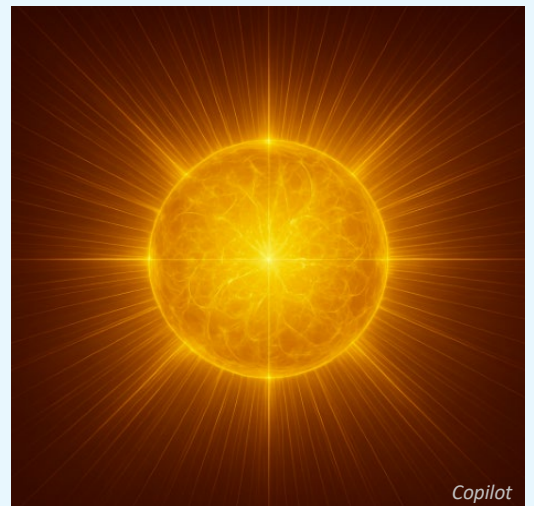
*A representation of the human soul created in the image of God and dependent on God for its existence.*

I imagined God standing in front of a mirror. The resulting reflection of God's Soul would appear exactly like the Great Soul, but it would not be any part of the Deity's Soul, only a reflection. If God's Soul moved away from the mirror, the reflection would disappear, showing that it is not authentic or self-sustaining, nor is it free from death or its possibility. Its existence is totally dependent on God's Soul, which is authentic being in front of the mirror. The reflection, like the created human soul, is dependent on circumstances for its continued existence. This is one way to see the Old Creature as represented in the paradigm of the first parents.

Here is another example: If a glass of water and its photo were sitting next to each other, from a distance they might appear the same. But on closer look, one

would notice that the photo is two dimensional, and the glass of water adds height to its width and length, thereby becoming three dimensional. The glass, being authentic, contains water and can quench thirst. The photo does not contain water, nor can it quench thirst. One way to understand the transforming experience from the Old Creature to the New is to visualize going from a two-dimensional world to a three-dimensional one. Going from the Old Creature to the New Creature is a radical change.

So, what is the nature of this Old Creature? In the beginning the first parents received natural love. What is the nature of natural love? In Vol. 1, p. 14, Jesus says, "The love with which man was endowed ... enables him ... to love God and to love his fellowman as himself, for this natural love is one that in its perfection and nature is universal and in its exercise every man is his neighbor's brother."



*A representation of the divine human soul transformed by the Divine Love of God and independent from God for its existence.*

Then, in Vol. 3, pp. 74-75, Jesus explains that the focus of natural love is not always constant. It is not guaranteed to be permanent. Its focus can be influenced by circumstances. "This love is one that is not understood by humanity in its most important particular. This love is of a nature that changes with the change in the desires and ideas of man; and has no stability that will serve to keep him constant in his affections. No man who has only this love can ever be in condition to say that he will continue to have that love for a longer time than the present".

## Old Creature

- Natural love
- Not self-sustaining
- Mortal

With the Old Creature, the natural love with its attributes and qualities is not self-sustaining. It is not guaranteed to be permanent or always present. The focus may change as changing desire and ideas influence a person's will.

## New Creature

- Divine love
- No natural love
- Self-sustaining
- Immortal

But the New Creature is different. It is not modeled on the old paradigm that defined the first parents. The Prayer received by James Padgett, found on pp. 40-42, notes that the Great Soul is "all Holy and loving and merciful." I came to understand that what makes the Great Soul "all Holy" is that He perfectly embodies and manifests Divine Love. It is the Father's complete possession and expression of infinite and universal Divine Love that makes the Great Soul the one perfect Being.

As Jesus states on p. 60, "God is Soul, and Soul is God." He is "the Soul that is Deity and self-existent, without beginning or ending, and whose entity is the one great fact in the universe of Being." The Great Soul and His Love are authentic and self-sustaining, meaning that they exist permanently. His Being is free from death and its possibility. The attributes and qualities that flow from His Love are self-sustaining, always present, and flow unrestricted to all humankind.

On p. 132, Jesus tells us, "This Love of the Father's own self is of a never changing nature, and in all places and under all conditions is working out the same results and converting the souls of men on Earth ... into not only the image but the substance of the Divine Nature." Then on the following page, Jesus explains, "Mere moral goodness, or the possession of the natural love to its fullest degree will not confer upon man this Divine nature, ... nor will good acts, and charity and kindness, of themselves lead men to the possession of this Love."

In the New Testament, writing to the Corinthians, Paul says in the 2nd letter, 5:17 "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come." What then does it mean to be in Christ?

In Vol. 1, p. 71, Jesus points out, "Christ is not a man in the sense that he is Jesus the son of the Father, but Christ is that ... quality that came to him after he fully received into his soul the Divine Love, ... Christ ... is the manifestation of this love as bestowed upon Jesus, and made part of his very existence. ... The meaning of having Christ in you is to have this Love of the Father in your soul, which can only be obtained through the working of the Holy Spirit as the instrument of the Father in bringing this Love into the soul."

God, as a self-existing Being, is authentic as is His Divine Love. The attributes and qualities that flow from His Love are permanent fixtures of His Being. Each quality is self-sustaining and so guaranteed to always be present. The New Creature, having the Divine Love, is reflecting God's qualities. Thus, the desires and ideas that originate with the Old Creature do not influence the will of the New Creature.

Ann Rollins makes an interesting comment about Divine Love and natural love in Vol. 2, p. 81: "Until we reach the first Celestial Sphere we have not a sufficient quantity of this love to make us partakers of this divine nature of the Father in that degree so that all the natural loves are absorbed by the Divine Love, for all below that sphere have more or less of the mere natural love, which causes them to retain their worldly affections. I mean those things which tend to retard their progress. ... but when we become inhabitants of these spheres, we have no interest in the affairs of earth or its governments."

In Vol. 1, p. 133, Jesus explains, "The soul of man may receive this Divine Love without limitations and to an abundance that will make him a new creature as the scriptures say." When the self-existing Divine Love becomes the dominant player in a soul, that soul is able to experience the New Birth. The self-sustaining attributes that flow from Divine Love become ever present fixtures, realities that never fade, hide and cease.

As each of us travels the Divine Love Path, we will receive the Divine Love in greater and greater quantities until we experience the hope and promise of the New Birth, when the quality, but not the quantity, of our love becomes one with the quality of God's Love. This transformation into a New Creature will manifest a self-sustaining Love that is Divine. Its attributes and qualities become permanent and always present. The person's will will be influenced by these self-sustaining qualities of the New Creature rather than the changing desires and ideas that originate within the natural man, the Old Creature.

God as a self-existing Being exists because of who and what He is and not because of the surrounding circumstances. He stands alone, free from death or its possibilities. The attributes that flow from His Love are self-sustaining and permanent features of His Being that influence His will. Because of this, God will always love us because of who and what He is and not because of what we, as His creations, may choose to do.

With the transformation, we experience the birth of this New Creature who now has a self-sustaining love and is not subject to the Old Creature's changing desires and ideas. This New Creature, like the Father, will be able to love others because of who and what it is and not because of what they choose to do. The affections that the New Creature will display for others will always manifest regardless of circumstances. The Old Creature's affections are not guaranteed to be constant because they are subject to the changing desires and ideas of the individual. With the New Creature, its self-sustaining Divine Love will manifest permanent features that will be apparent under all circumstances.



*A soul following the Divine Love Path.*

## **GOD'S DESIRE AND HOPE FOR US (ARTTO AUNAP)**

I have been practicing my communication with God, our Heavenly Father in Soul-to-soul communication style, as is the most efficient and direct way of doing so.

A couple of months ago, I was communing with Him and trying to "listen for", or rather sense, His answer. He let me know in a flow of knowledge that He is not disappointed in me, because He has no unrealistic expectations towards me (or anyone else). This was a relieving surprise and a big help and blessing.



God also let me know that He does wish me to think of Him more often, and to spend more quality time with Him in order to grow closer to Him and enjoy His bountiful Love, soulful freedom and Light. To enjoy togetherness, to embrace Him, to BE and interact in joyful shared experiences of soul-fulfilling Love exchanges. THAT is a relationship, a truly fulfilling one, that He desires to have with us. A relationship that offers us real, experienceable, soulfully tangible fulfillment. He would be delighted to have this kind of relationship with each of us.

He is patient and waits for us to make the moves towards Him, and when we do, He receives us with gladness, joy, and a smile

in His Soul – a smile of approval and acceptance. So, the idea about our Father being dissatisfied with us comes from our own imagination, and is not His attitude towards us, as our minds may sometimes believe. God's attitude is always full of sympathy towards each of us. This never changes. In thinking in accordance with this truth, we can get rid of pointless self-inflicted suffering which our wrong beliefs generate in us.

Have a great day and quit having unrealistic expectations towards yourself. God wants you to be in a state of harmony and happiness, in a state of active Love. When you stop expecting unrealistic things or actions from yourself, as well as needless self-accusations, you will be freer to love – just like God, your Father, wants for you. Take care of yourself and your spiritual condition and enjoy living a better life with more love and freedom.



## LOVE GIVEN IS NOT DIMINISHED (LISA SIMS WITH HELP OF AI)

### How Divine Love Flows, Transforms the Soul, and Awakens Others

One of the quiet assumptions shaping much religious thought is the idea that love is finite — something that can be spent, exhausted, or lost by giving too much of it away. This assumption lies beneath many doctrines of sacrifice, depletion, and substitution, and even influences how people understand prayer, ministry, and service.

Yet, the lived reality of prayer, Divine Love, and the life of Jesus, reveals something entirely different:

*Love is not diminished by giving.* It is revealed, circulated, and magnified.

*Jesus Is Master of the Way, Not the Source.* In the New Testament, Jesus is often addressed with the Greek word *kyrios*, commonly translated as “Lord.” Yet *kyrios* also means “master—one who has mastered a way, a discipline, or a path.”

Understood this way, Jesus is revealed not as the source of Divine Love, nor as a replacement for God, but as *the Master who first learned to receive Divine Love fully and to live within its flow.*

Jesus consistently pointed beyond himself: to the Father as the Source, to Divine Love as sustenance, to prayer and desire as the way of reception. He drank from the Living Water and taught others to thirst. He fed on the Bread of Heaven and invited others to eat. He stood in the flow — never at its origin.

*Love Shared Is Not Love Spent.* The natural mind imagines love as a limited resource. Divine Love is not. Light does not grow dim when it illuminates another flame. A spring does not run dry because many drink from it. So it is with Love.

When Divine Love is expressed, it is not used up, it is not transferred away, it is not lost. Instead, resistance within the soul diminishes, alignment deepens, and receptivity increases. Love given does not empty the soul. It opens the soul more fully to the *eternal current*.

### Ministry and the Mystery of Receiving More



<https://www.freebibleimages.org/photos/jesus-teaching/>

Many who pray, serve, or minister notice something unexpected: they often receive more Divine Love in the act of giving. This has sometimes been explained as “making room,” but that language can unintentionally suggest depletion. A clearer understanding is this: God’s Love continually surrounds us as an emanation through His Holy Spirit. In prayer and ministry, the soul becomes more open and aligned. Angels who walk with us act as *lenses*, focusing Divine Love upon receptive souls—ours and that of others. Thus, the increase experienced in ministry does not come from loss, but from *greater openness, receptivity and input*. Love flows more freely because resistance to ministry has fallen away.

### Growth Before and After Divine Transformation

Before the soul’s full transformation into divine nature, growth occurs through a process of *absorption*. As Divine Love enters the soul, it gradually *absorbs and transmutes* the remaining human qualities, refining the soul from within. This is the stage in which human nature is progressively overcome by the Divine. Jesus *completed* this process just before his baptism, becoming a divine man.

After full transformation — when the soul has become wholly divine in nature and entered the Celestial Kingdom — growth no longer comes through absorption. At this stage, there is no remaining human nature to transmute. Instead, the soul grows through continued *inflow of Divine Love*, and the soul itself *expands without limit* as desire and receptivity continue. Divine Love is not replacing anything that has been lost, nor refilling what has been depleted. The soul is already divine and now increases in size, capacity, and radiance through ever-greater reception of God’s Love. This is why souls in the Celestial Kingdom may grow eternally.

### Love as Spiritual Action

This understanding casts a new light on small but powerful moments in the Gospels. When Mark in chapter 10:21 of his gospel writes of Jesus in interacting with the rich young ruler, “Jesus, looking at him, loved him,” this is not mere sentiment. It describes a *spiritual act*—a focused emission of Divine Love. Jesus can manifest Light far more magnificently in the spirit realms than he ever could while on earth, yet even during his earthly life, moments of intense Love carried visible spiritual power. Love itself becomes an action when the soul is fully aligned with God.



## Visions of Living Light

Within Divine Love prayer circles, some have experienced this Love in visions. It has appeared as golden, sparkling liquid light—descending as drops upon each soul, flowing from a well, erupting like a fountain, or surrounding participants like a vast pool of radiant substance. Love does not leave one soul to supply another. It passes through receptive souls, awakening desire in others and drawing all closer to the great Source.

## Sharers, Not Sources

Jesus showed that the aim of spiritual life is not dependency, but participation. We are not meant to replace God. We are not meant to replace Jesus. *We are meant to share the Light we receive*, allowing it to touch other souls and awaken them to the Father's Love—the *bread of heaven* and the *living water*. Love given is not Love divided. Love shared is Love multiplied.

## Conclusion: Alignment, Not Sacrifice

The more freely Love is given, the more open the soul becomes to receive — not because Love is lost, but because receptivity deepens and alignment increases. This is not sacrifice. It is participation in the eternal flow.

Jesus our Master shows the way. The Father remains the Source. And all who desire may learn to drink deeply, shine brightly, and share freely — without fear of loss.

Jesus taught: *"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its flavor, how can the world be salted? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men."*

*"You are the Light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they set it on a stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your Light shine before men, that they may...glorify your Father in heaven."* Jesus (Matthew 5:13–16)

The apostle Paul exhorted Timothy: *"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the Gift of God, which is in you."* Paul (2 Timothy 1:6)

[Here](#) is a fitting song to conclude with. The complete write-up on Medium is [here](#).



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## HAPPYDAYS FARM, A SACRED SPACE IN WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON, USA (LORRAINE BORCHERS)

Long ago before I was born, I was chosen to be a guardian of this sacred ground located on the eastern foothills of the Oregon Coast mountain range. From my awareness now, I can trace the beginning of the plan's unfoldment back to 2012 when I moved to Bend, Oregon. Looking back, I can recognize many incidents and happenings there that coalesced into my presence from 2021 onwards at what is now called HappyDays Farm. I said yes, chose to follow guidance, and now live most happily on a beautiful, peaceful five-acre plot. With the help of many, the farm cottage has been renovated and is ready to host Divine Love retreats for small groups.

The November 2025 inaugural retreat set the pattern and began the planned quarterly events. Eleven of us gathered for the first evening prayer on Thursday, November 13, and were welcomed by Jesus via Al Fike. In his message, Jesus said that he had come to open the retreat, that this would be a time to consecrate the property, that there would be awakenings, and that he would be with us. More messages followed during the next two very intense days. They can all be read on [my blog](#).

The next three-day retreat, limited to 10 people, is scheduled for February 19-21, 2026 with arrivals Wednesday evening, February 18, and departures Sunday morning,



*Photo supplied by Lorraine Borchers*

February 22. Meals will be provided for all and there is sleeping space for several people at the cottage. At this time there are five openings. The spring retreat is slated for May 14-16, 2026, with two openings left. The goals for all the retreats are to keep costs minimal, presently \$100 USD, and to provide a respite from the world where one can be with others on the Divine Love journey and connect directly with God, our Heavenly Father, receive guidance and inspiration, as well as commune with nature. If demand is high enough, more retreats may be scheduled either in the same months or during subsequent months. Also, people are welcome to request personal retreats by themselves or with a few others. Inquiries and reservations can be directed to [me](#) or [Mary Ann Kalonick](#).

## PRAYING AND SHARING ACROSS THE MILES

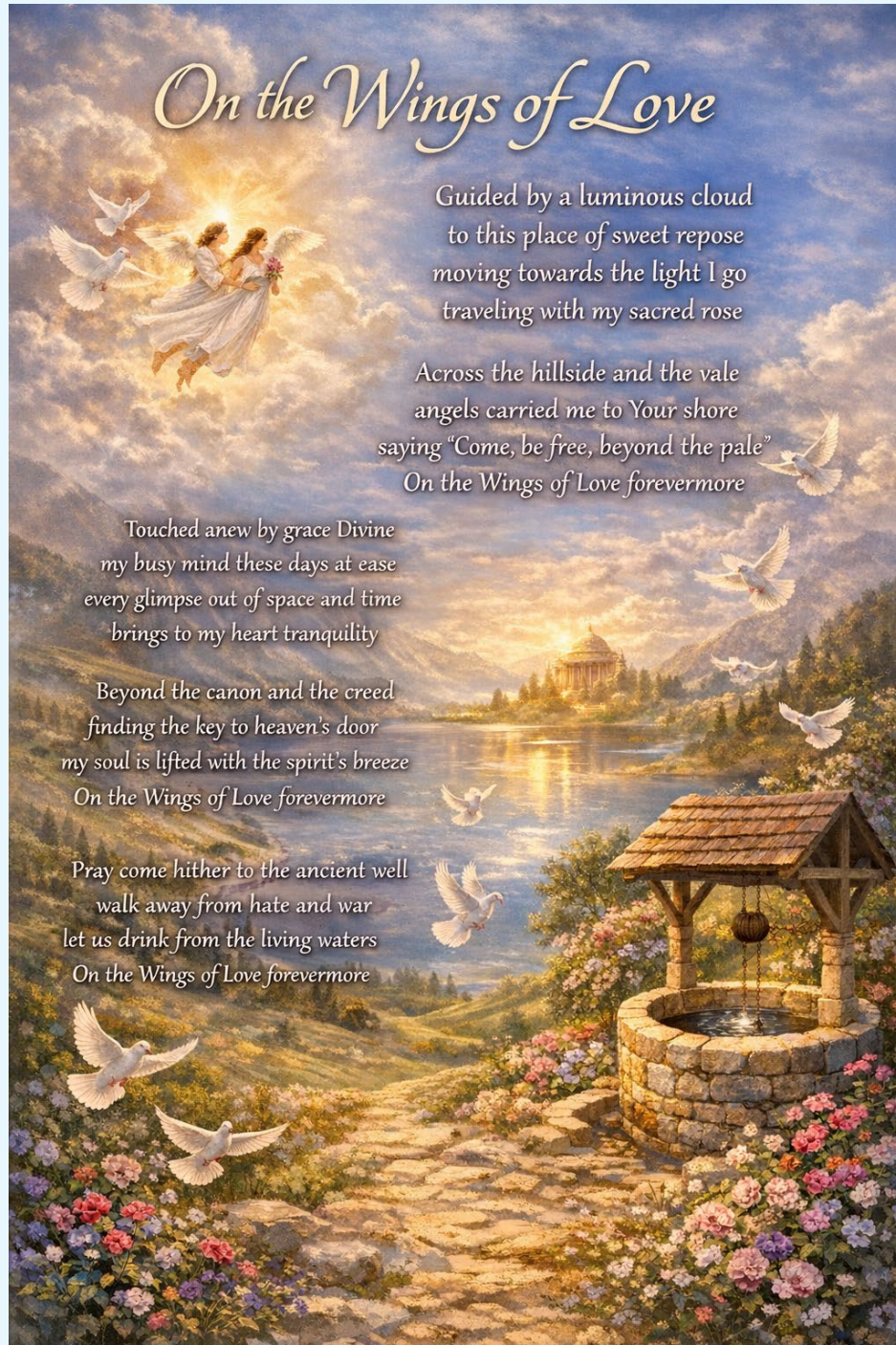
### DLSF / FCDT Circles of Light, Prayer and Other Opportunities

Click <https://divinelovesanctuary.ca/events/> for information on DLSF-sponsored Circles of Light. To receive weekly updates on upcoming programs and online prayer circles, sign up for our weekly calendar, sent out every Sunday [here](#). For any questions, please contact the [Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation team](#).

Other activities, including additional online prayer groups, Divine Love healing or learning, as well as gift or leadership development can be found on the [LightBringers Calendar](#) administered by [Bill Frase](#).



POETRY CORNER (JIMBEAU WALSH)



# On the Wings of Love

Guided by a luminous cloud  
to this place of sweet repose  
moving towards the light I go  
traveling with my sacred rose

Across the hillside and the vale  
angels carried me to Your shore  
saying "Come, be free, beyond the pale"  
On the Wings of Love forevermore

Touched anew by grace Divine  
my busy mind these days at ease  
every glimpse out of space and time  
brings to my heart tranquility

Beyond the canon and the creed  
finding the key to heaven's door  
my soul is lifted with the spirit's breeze  
On the Wings of Love forevermore

Pray come hither to the ancient well  
walk away from hate and war  
let us drink from the living waters  
On the Wings of Love forevermore

## COMMUNITY NEWS

- **Gregory Boster** continues to add informative, inspirational videos that focus on the New Birth to his [YouTube channel, New Birthing](#). His free e-book, *New Birthing – Transforming the Soul*, can be downloaded from [here](#). All his videos can also be accessed from his [website](#).
- **Judy Gebhard** has published a new book entitled [Follow the Light](#). It contains inspiring articles from five early Divine Love followers who found Dr. Stone's book *Message from Jesus and Celestials* in the 1950s. They also met and corresponded with Dr. Stone. One of them was Ron Shoemaker, whose father gave him the book when he was in high

school in 1954. Judy also has a Christmas sale on some of her completed books in the series of the Padgett messages grouped according to authors or themes. The books on sale, reduced from \$14.99 to \$9.99, are *The King is Here, Part One* and *The King is Here, Part Two*, *The Carpenter's Son*, *The Fishermen*, *The Prophet*, and *The Man With A Pen*. Judy also published on Kindle [The Founders Prayer Service](#) – a book of prayers. All of Judy's books can be found at [Julin Productions](#).

- **Al Fike** has published a new book [Starlights Gleaming: The Story of Jeremy Flynn](#). It is a heartfelt blend of fiction and truth, reflecting the author's journey toward spiritual awakening. Through hardship, doubt, and unexpected grace, Jeremy gradually discovers a fragile peace—just as darker clouds begin to gather on the horizon. What awaits him next is far beyond anything he could have imagined.
- **Tim Foley** has a new Divine Love [website](#) dedicated to his book, [Making It Personal: Your Guide to More Profound and Rewarding Prayer Life](#), published by MindStir Media in 2021. It is a book about prayer, making prayer an essential part of one's life, specifically prayer for the inflowing of Divine Love, the very Essence of Divinity. *Making It Personal* covers a wide range of topics, including the history of prayer, its use by Christian contemplatives and mystics down through the ages, the problem of distractions, methods of purification, and "the soul's longings". The book is referenced with a liberal use of quotes from Scripture, as well as early Christian, medieval and modern-day writers.
- **Lisa Sims** continued to add Divine Love content to [Medium](#). All her articles can be read [here](#).
- **Eva Peck** updated the [Divine Love Resource Guide](#) that lists Divine Love websites, forums, YouTube and audio ministries, book authors, Facebook groups, translations of messages into other languages, and more. If your ministry is not included and you would like it to be, or if you see any errors, please contact [Eva](#).
- **Bill Frase** has completed his series of Conversations with **Claire**. All 22 episodes can be viewed on his [YouTube channel](#) and other platforms.
- **Susan Kubicek** has a new [YouTube channel](#) with her AI generated songs.
- **Jimbeau Walsh** published a Christmas song "[All the Bells are Ringing](#)" on his [YouTube channel](#).
- **Raphael Legros** created a short video about the life of James Padgett entitled "The Unknown Prophet". He used AI generated images and historical information researched by [Dennis Tormey](#). The video, which can be viewed on [YouTube](#), tells the story of James' life before his wife's passing into spirit and how her death led him to eventually become a medium receiving messages from Jesus and other Celestial spirits. Raphael plans to create more videos, which will be added to a new playlist on the [DLSF channel](#) called "Padgett & Beyond: Divine Love AI Series."
- **Al Fike** and **Maureen Cardoso** discussed prayer, Divine Love and other related topics in a [video interview](#).

## DIVINE LOVE RESOURCES

For details on how to receive a free box of FCDT books for distribution; where to find foreign language translations of the Padgett messages; and a listing and accessing messages of all our contemporary mediums, go to the [FCDT website](#). This webpage also has a comprehensive [Resource Guide](#) of Divine Love websites, forums, YouTube and audio ministries, book authors, Facebook groups, and more. Please email [Holly](#) directly for information on books for distribution.

To request a flash drive of all the scanned Padgett messages, please contact the [Foundation Church of the New Birth](#). The 64G flash drive contains both autographs (originally written messages), as well as manuscripts in Padgett's handwriting and sometimes in Dr. Stone's handwriting. Donations to help cover costs are welcomed.

[The Foundation Church of the New Birth](#) is emailing daily inspirational excerpts from the Padgett messages. If you'd like to receive these mailings, go to their [Contact / Sign Up](#) page, scroll down to "E-mail Subscription," fill in your email address, and click "Send." **Lisa Sims** has been compiling these quotes in Google documents under the title "How to Achieve Oneness with God by Prayer to Receive His Divine Love." The up-to-date documents can be accessed and downloaded from these links: [List 1](#); [List 2](#); [List 3](#); [List 4](#); [List 5](#); [List 6](#); [List 7](#); [List 8](#); [List 9](#); [List 10](#).

## PADGETT MESSAGE EXCERPT

[TGRABJ, Vol. 2, p. 293](#)

*Jesus continues the message on "How the Divine Love enters into the soul of a human being."*

.... Well, the soul is the man and becomes the angel of God's kingdom. The soul may also become the only everlasting part of man in the spiritual kingdom as contradistinguished from the Celestial Heavens. The only way in which the soul may become an inhabitant of the Celestial Spheres, is by its obtaining of the Divine Love and thereby become a partaker of the Divine nature of the Father; and this can be accomplished only by the inflowing of the Divine Love, by means of the operation of the Holy Spirit, which is the instrumentality used by God to carry this Love to the souls of men.

As I have before said, this Love never forces itself into the souls of men, and comes only when men seek for it in sincerity and with effort. It is waiting for all men to receive it, but never comes into the soul of its own initiative, and without invitation. So the important question is, how does it come into the soul and what must men do to induce it's inflowing?

There is only one way, and that is by the opening up of the soul in such a manner that this Love, when it comes in response to sincere seeking, may find an entrance and a condition of development that will cause it to find lodgment and abiding place, harmonious and satisfactory to the qualities of its own existence. Of course, man cannot of himself open up his soul to this inflowing, for, while he has great power, yet the will is not sufficient; nor has he any other inherent qualities that will enable him to place his soul in such condition as to make possible the work of the Holy Spirit in causing the Love to flow into the soul.

The only means by which this can be accomplished are prayer and faith. When a man in true earnestness and sincere aspirations, prays to the Father for this Divine Love, such prayer not only brings Love, but causes those portions of the soul which are capable of receiving this Love to open up to its coming and to work in such a way as to attract the Love. The Holy Spirit never performs this work of preparing the soul for the reception of this Love, but merely brings the Love and causes its inflowing when the soul is in condition to receive it. In answer to prayer, there are other instrumentalities of the Father working to prepare the soul condition that is required, and these instrumentalities are the bright spirits of the Celestial Heavens, whose duties, among others, are to answer the prayers of the penitent in the way of infilling the soul with influences that turn the thoughts and aspirations to this Divine Love and its operations....

The Divine Love is a thing entirely apart from the nature of man, even in its purest state, and was never conferred on man as was the natural love, and, consequently, when man obtains this Divine Love, and it becomes a part of his soul qualities, his nature, as it were, changes, and he becomes a new creature. An additional something has been conferred upon him and it becomes impossible for him to remain the mere man that he was, and he always would, be, except for this change in his nature. ....

Whosoever will pray in sincerity for the inflowing of this Divine Love will receive it. It is not a respecter of persons, and the sincere aspirations of the soul of any man, be he prince or peasant, rich or poor, will invariably cause this Love to come into his soul and change his nature, so that he will become a new creature, and one not subject to death forever more....

Well, I think I have made plain how this Love flows into a man's soul, and in addition what its effect is, when possessed by man. There is nothing in all God's universe that can take its place for the purpose of making a man at-one with the Father, and of causing him to become Divine, in so far as he possesses this Love.

So I say to all men, pray and pray and never cease to pray for the inflowing of this Love, for there is no limit to its abundance, or the amount which man or spirit can obtain. Always in the Celestial Heavens, we spirits continually pray for an increased bestowal, and always our prayers are answered - but always there is more to follow. ...

With all my love and blessings, I am your brother and friend, Jesus.