## **FOREWORD**

JESUS, THE CHRIST, THE INCOMPARABLE LEADER AND TEACHER AND SAVIOUR, CAME TO THIS WORLD NEARLY TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO AND PROCLAIMED AND DEMONSTRATED IN HIS OWN LIFE THE GREATEST TRUTHS THAT HAVE EVER BEEN REVEALED TO MAN-KIND. HE INDEED, WAS THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE, AS NO OTHER MAN BEFORE HIM WAS. HE WAS THE FIRST ONE TO OBTAIN THE NEW BIRTH BY SEEKING FOR THE INFLOWING INTO HIS SOUL OF THE DIVINE LOVE THAT TRANSFORMED HIS SOUL INTO THE DIVINE NATURE AND AT-ONEMENT WITH THE FATHER. IN THIS WAY JESUS BECAME THE SAVIOUR, BY SHOWING THE WAY WHEREBY MEN CAN BE SAVED AND REDEEMED BY THE NEW BIRTH, WHICH IS NECESSARY FOR MAN TO OB-TAIN, SO THAT HE MAY HAVE THE CERTAINTY OF IM-MORTALITY IN THE CELESTIAL HEAVENS.

JESUS WRITES:—(Page 209)

"I, JESUS, AS THE SON OF MAN OR OF GOD, DO NOT SAVE ANY MAN FROM HIS SINS AND MAKE HIM AT-ONE WITH THE FATHER, BUT THE TRUTHS THAT I TAUGHT, AND WHICH WERE TAUGHT ME FROM THE FATHER ARE THINGS THAT SAVE."

ST. JOHN, APOSTLE OF JESUS, WRITES (Page 225)

"AND JESUS WAS THE MEDIATOR NOT ONLY IN DE-CLARING TO MAN THE REBESTOWAL OF THIS GREAT GIFT OF THE DIVINE LOVE AND IMMORTALITY, BUT, ALSO IN SHOWING THE WAY BY WHICH MEN COULD AND MUST SEEK FOR THAT GIFT IN ORDER TO POSSESS IT.

'AND THUS JESUS BECAME THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE AND BROUGHT IMMORTALITY TO LIGHT. HOW MUCH GREATER A SAVIOUR IS HE IN THIS WAY THAN BY PAYING A SUPPOSED DEBT BY HIS DEATH AND BLOOD.

'NO, HE IS THE SAVIOUR OF MAN BY HIS LIVING AND HIS TEACHINGS, FOR HE WAS THE FIRST TO RECEIVE THIS DIVINE LOVE AND TO BECOME DIVINE HIMSELF, AND THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE RESURRECTION."

The resurrection just referred to by St. John is the TRUE RESURRECTION, and not merely the change that takes place when men leave their earth life and continue to live in the spirit world. This survival is common to all men be they saint or sinner.

ST. PAUL WRITES (Pages 97 and 98):

SO, THE RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD THAT THE

MASTER TAUGHT AND WHICH IS THE ONE FOUNDATION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, ARISE FROM THE FACT THAT GOD BESTOWED UPON MANKIND THE PRIVILEGE OF SEEKING FOR AND RECEIVING HIS DIVINE LOVE WHICH WOULD MAKE THE MORTAL ONE WITH HIM AND IMMORTAL; AND UPON THE FURTHER FACT THAT MAN MUST, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THIS RESURRECTION, SEEK AND FIND THIS DIVINE LOVE AND THEREBY BECOME A CHILD OF THE TRUE RESURRECTION—RESURRECTION THAT WAS NEVER KNOWN TO PROPHETS OR SEERS OR REFORMERS, OR THE TEACHERS OF FAITHS NO MATTER HOW EXCELLENT THEIR MORAL TEACHINGS AND PRIVATE LIVES MAY HAVE BEEN, BEFORE THE COMING OF JESUS.

TRULY HE WAS THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE, AND I PAUL, WHO AM THE RECEPIENT OF THIS RESURRECTION AND KNOW WHEREOF I SPEAK, AND HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACT THAT THOSE INHABITANTS OF THE SPIRIT WORLD WHO HAVE NEVER RECEIVED THIS RESURRECTION ARE STILL IN A CONDITION OF DEATH, SO FAR AS OBTAINING THE DIVINE LOVE OF THE FATHER AND THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF IMMORTALITY ARE CONCERNED, AND SO DECLARE UNTO YOU WHAT I HAVE ATTEMPTED TO DESCRIBE AS THE RESURRECTION.

JESUS WRITES: - (Page 212.)

THE ONE GREAT TRUTH THAT IS THE FOUNDATION OF MEN'S SALVATION IS THE NEW BIRTH, AND THE FACT THAT THE DIVINE LOVE OF THE FATHER IS WAITING FOR EVERY MAN TO LET IT ENTER INTO HIS SOUL AND MAKE HIM AT-ONE WITH THE FATHER."

ST. JOHN, APOSTLE OF JESUS, WRITES (Page 224)

""AS I AND OTHERS HAVE WRITTEN YOU, THE ONLY WAY IN WHICH MAN CAN BE SAVED FROM HIS SINS AND BECOME IN AT-ONE-MENT WITH THE FATHER, IS BY THE NEW BIRTH WHICH THE MASTER HAS DESCRIBED TO YOU AS BEING THE RESULT OF THE FLOWING INTO THE SOUL OF MAN OF THE DIVINE LOVE OF THE FATHER, AND RESULTING IN THE DISAPPEARING OF EVERYTHING THAT TENDS TO SIN AND ERROR. AS THIS LOVE FLOWS INTO A MAN'S SOUL IT PERMEATES THAT SOUL AS DOES LEAVEN THE BATCH OF DOUGH, THEN THAT SOUL PAR-

TAKES OF THIS DIVINE LOVE AND THEREBY BECOMES LIKE THE FATHER IN HIS DIVINE NATURE, AND FITTED TO INHABIT HIS KINGDOM. (See appendix Page VII.)

These Divine Revelations show that man, himself, has created evil, which are creations of his own will, and are no part of his true nature as he was created by the Father and pronounced good. Therefore man, himself, must destroy these evils that are the perversions of his natural love, by seeking the help of the Father, who is always ready to assist man to free himself from those things that degrade and make him inharmonious and out of harmony with His will and laws.

Never in the history of the world have men's souls been so hungry and now are longing and waiting for that which will satisfy the natural cravings of their souls. And that Great Something for man to obtain is the the possession and ownership of the Divine Love in such abundance into his soul, so that selfishness, war and strife and all the other evils from which man is suffering will cease to exist. When a sufficient number obtain this Love of God or His Divine Essence, then Christianity will be established on a firm foundation.

If men think they can establish a Kingdom of God on earth by merely trying to get rid of the impurities or the perversions of their natural love, by good deeds, or good thoughts, or following moral precepts, and trying to love those who despitefully use them, then, that Kingdom is still a long way off.

Message from Jesus—Page 84. "I SEE THAT MANY CENTURIES MAY PASS BEFORE MAN WILL ATTAIN TO THIS STATE OF PURIFICATION OF HIS NATURAL LOVE, THAT WILL ENABLE HIM TO SAY THAT BECAUSE OF HIS LOVE, WARS CANNOT COME AGAIN AND PEACE MUST REIGN: AND HENCE, THE GREAT NECESSITY FOR HIM TO KNOW THAT ONLY WITH THE COMING OF THE DIVINE LOVE WILL COME THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF WAR AND STRIFE—INDIVIDUALLY AND NATIONALLY."

Jesus says—"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you." That means you must seek for the inflowing into the soul of the Divine Love of God that comes direct from the Father through the operation of His Holy Spirit.

When this becomes an accomplished fact, then will man love his fellowmen as himself, and that peace that passeth all understanding will be his, and war and strife and inharmony will vanish from the face of the earth, so that good deeds, kind thoughts and love to God and his fellowman will come as naturally as falls the dew from heaven without effort or sacrifices on his part.

Therefore, it is very important that man obtain peace within himself before he can have peace without, so that this Kingdom can be established.

The peace that passeth all understanding comes only with the possession of the Divine Love which is the Father's greatest attribute, a part of His very Essence. It comes from God by His Holy Spirit, which is that part of the active energy of the Soul of God, most Sacred, Holy and Merciful, because it is the instrument that carries and conveys His greatest attribute—the Divine Essence of Love into the receptive soul.

Only as man obtains this Divine Love or Essence in sufficient abundance so as to transform the soul from the human into the Divine, so that there will be no room for sin and error, can such soul enter the Celestial Heavens, and have the consciousness and certainty of immortality.

This Divine Love does not come into the soul merely by following moral precepts or good deeds or kind thoughts, as no man can merit it by any goodness of heart that he may have. These things bring their own happiness and rewards, but do not bring into the soul the Divine Love.

All these things can be done by following these moral precepts, etc., and they are in harmony with the Father's will and leads to that purification of the soul that makes a perfect natural man like the first parents before the Fall. They were created with the natural loves in a pure state and had the privilege of obtaining in their souls the Divine Love, but refused to exercise their privilege and after their disobedience, lost it. With the coming of Jesus that privilege was rebestowed upon all souls alike, all that have ever lived, both mortals and spirits right back to the time of the first parents. As the first parents lost their privilege of partaking of the Divine Love, so men now by their refusal to seek for the Love are allowing their souls to be lost to the Celestial Heavens which is a far greater and more beautiful Kingdom than the Kingdom of the perfect natural man.

DIVINE LOVE COMES FROM WITHOUT AND IS NOT WITHIN. IT MAY BE WITHIN AND IT MAY NOT. THE LEAVEN IS NOT IN THE DOUGH UNTIL IT IS PUT IN, AND NEITHER IS THIS DIVINE LOVE IN THE SOUL UNTIL THE FATHER PLACES IT THERE.

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MR. PADGETT TO DO THE WORK. (PAGE 2). "THAT THE TRUE, EARNEST, SINCERE SOUL LONGING MAY BE AS RAPID AS UNFORMED THOUGHTS, AND THE ANSWER TO THE SAME WILL COME WITH AS MUCH CERTAINTY AND LOVE, AS IF YOU WERE TO PUT THE LONGING INTO THE MOST EXACT FORM."

Not prayers in general or repetition of formulas, or mere lip service can bring this Divine Love into the soul. The soul has to be filled, therefore, the soul energies must become so active in its longings to the Father, for the Love, that causes the Father to open the soul so it may find lodgment therein, and transform the soul from the human into the Divine, a new creature, recreated. with the soul changed in its quality and constituency. It then becomes a different soul from what it was at his creation. This transformation takes place depending on the degree it partakes of this Divine Essence, until the whole soul partakes of it in such abundance that there will be no room for sin and error or of those things not in harmony with the Father's will. Not until this Divine Love comes into the soul will the soul be born again, born from above, born into the Divine Reality of God. This is the New Birth that Jesus taught, when he said—"EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN AGAIN HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD."-(John 3:3.)

This Kingdom of God or Celestial Heavens is now open for all mortals and spirits that have ever lived, even those in the hells of darkness and suffering. The Father's love is so great and broad and deep, it reaches down into the lowest hells, as well as in the highest heavens, and no mortal or spirit will be deprived of this Love and Kingdom, if he will only seek for it in the way the Father has planned, and which Jesus taught on earth, and is still teaching in the spirit world, and so are his followers. "Seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you."

In the light of these truths set forth by Jesus in this "TRUE GOSPEL TO MANKIND," how important it is that all religious organizations should recognize and emphasize the importance of teaching their followers the way to obtain the "New Birth" as revealed by Jesus, by praying for the inflowing into souls of the Divine Love that comes from God by His Holy Spirit.

When man obtains this Love of God in his soul then he will become truly at-one with the Father and will become a Christian in very truth and not merely in name only. As the Love increases in

greater abundance in the soul so much greater becomes the at-onement with the Father.

In the New Testament, Romans Chapter 5, Verse 5, Paul stated:—"And hope maketh not ashamed; because the Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, which is given unto us."

Then it will readily be understood, that those who have obtained this Love of God in their hearts and souls have partaken of the Christ, and have become Christians in truth and not merely in name only. It also follows that those who have obtained this transformation and have become new creatures are born again, born from above, and to the degree this Love fills the soul, to that degree have they become true Christians, whatever denomination they may belong to. Therefore it is useless to believe that one is a Christian unless he becomes possessor and has ownership of the Divine Love which is necessary to obtain, to qualify the soul to enable it to enter the Christian Heavens. And therefore all souls living in the flesh, who have obtained this Love, and born again, have become true followers of Jesus and belong to the true Christian Church.

Although man possesses the privilege of making his progress from the hells of darkness and suffering into the highest heavens, and many have made that progress into the Celestial Kingdom, yet, it is very important that man, while in the flesh should make such progress in his soul development, so that when he passes into the spirit world he will be able to escape these hells.

St. Luke wrote a message through Mr. Padgett and stated: "That it is hard to learn of heavenly things in hell," and if man could only realize this fact, he would learn of these heavenly things before he entered the spirit world. The earth plane is the most important place to make the start in the soul's progress.

Man must pray with such faith, causing the earnest sincere longings of the soul to become things of such real living existence and intensity for This Love, that will cause the soul to open up to its inflowing. When the soul comes into possession and ownership of this Divine Love, it never leaves it, no, not in all eternity.

SO IT IS FOR EACH AND EVERY MAN TO CHOOSE AND FIX HIS DESTINY, AND GOD DOES NOT AND WILL NOT MAKE A DESTINY FOR MAN THAT HIS CONDITION OF SOUL DOES NOT ENTITLE HIM. WILL THAT DESTINY BECOME THE PERFECT MAN WITH ONLY HIS NATURAL LOVE IN A PURE STATE BY FOLLOWING MORAL PRE-

CEPTS, ETC., OR WILL HE SEEK THE DIVINE HEAVENS OR CELESTIAL KINGDOM THAT ONLY THE POSSESSION AND OWNERSHIP OF THE DIVINE LOVE IN SUFFICIENT ABUNDANCE CAN ENTITLE HIM TO ENTER, AND WHERE STAGNATION IS NOT KNOWN AND WHERE PROGRESS GOES ONWARD AND UPWARD FOR ALL ETERNITY, NEARER AND NEARER TO THE FOUNTAINHEAD OF THE FATHER, INCREASING IN GLORY AND BEAUTY AND JOY AND PEACE AND HAPPINESS, AS THE DIVINE LOVE INCREASES IN GREATER ABUNDANCE IN THE SOUL, IN RESPONSE TO THE EARNEST PRAYER AND SINCERE SOUL LONGINGS FOR MORE AND MORE OF THE LOVE, AND WITH IT, THE CONSCIOUSNESS AND CERTAINTY OF IMMORTALITY.

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<sup>\*</sup>This appendix refers to page II of Foreword—From St. John.

This means—The only way a man can be saved from his sins and become truly at-one with the Father is by obtaining the Divine Love, that will make him a divine child of God, and not that long purifying process that comes by development of his natural love in a pure state by following moral precepts etc, for that—merely makes him in at-one-ment and in harmony with God's laws and perfect like the first parents before their fall.

This latter at-one-ment is not the GREAT AT-ONE-MENT that only the New Birth that Jesus taught and manifested in His own life, and without which, "our faith as Christians is in vain."