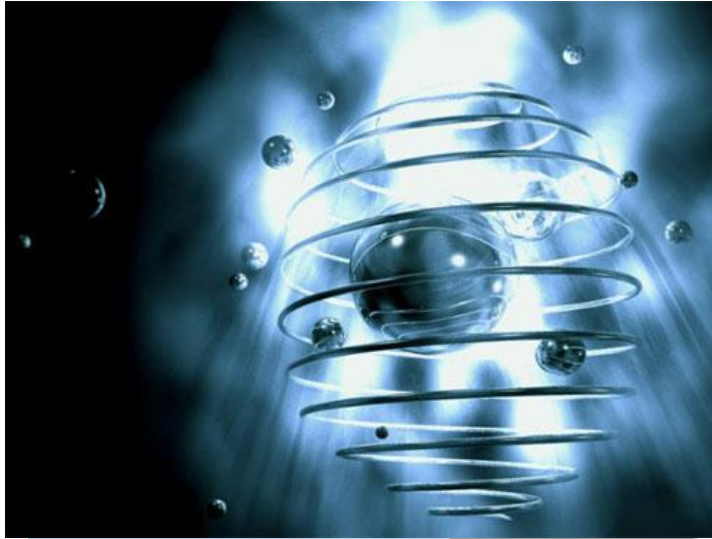


MESSAGES FOR SKEPTICS AND ATHEISTS

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“The truth is, indeed, everywhere for the living, but for the dead there is no light in all eternity.”

(The Fly, 12.31)

Words for a rationalist

"Your brother M. asked you for an answer on behalf of one of his friends who, only endowed with the light of reason, tries to explain the entire creation, including its “Why” and “What”. Having repudiated the life of emotions or of the heart, or the inner spiritual life, he is thus unable to arrive at some satisfactory answer to all his searching and musing.

Well. I will try to offer the suitable foods and palliatives to a soul that, though hungry and thirsty, does not know as yet which food or which drink could really appease its hunger and thirst. Whether this soul will accept them and how it will spiritually digest them, we shall see in the following.

Your brother M. perceives quite well that human suppositions are inadequate to bring true solace and peace to his friend. For it could only be a system pieced together from rational arguments and opposed to another one where after all, seen from My viewpoint, one has as little solidity and firmness as the other. Therefore, he turned to Me with the most loving request that also this friend might be given the tranquility and peace he himself enjoys in such rich measure through reading and complying with My (new) Word.

So I will try, like the mother who offers her breast to her newly born child. to offer also to him, an erring but not evil soul, the first spiritual food. Newly born children also often refuse the mother's breast. Now we will see how your friend will like this new food which, moreover, comes from hands quite unknown to him.

In the beginning it will not fit into the way of thinking of this friend of your brother's that a God, a Creator and Father of all created beings, should reveal Himself through another man to a human being, trying to spiritually educate and better him. For he will probably answer: "This is impossible! How can or will a God, provided there is one, in His infinite greatness bother with us worms? How should He, the Almighty, be concerned as to how one or the other man thinks and whether he has a spiritual future or is lost forever? The entire creation and everything visible proves at every moment that the destruction of a single life, indeed of thousands, does not matter to Him!

And this God, whom you foolish and credulous people revere, should condescend to teach on this tiny grain of sand, the earth, a thousand times thousand even smaller vegetating little worm – man! No, this borders on idly or dreadful nonsense!"

Thus, dear child, your friend is sure to think, and look, from his present standpoint he is right. He can and must think thus, in accordance with what he has imbibed partly from his experiences and from his view of the entire creation and partly from the books that have come into his hands and in which alone he fully believed.

Therefore, before I can deal with even one of his doubts, I must try to make him understand that such extraordinary revelations are possible. They have occurred since the earliest times, can still occur, and are now more than ever before bestowed upon mankind.

Your brother's friend divides his life into an emotional and a rational life, making a great distinction between the two. Now I merely want to ask him: Has he ever wanted to come to a clear understanding as to what an emotional life and what a rational life really is and where the one and the other originates? On closer scrutiny he will hardly be able to give a satisfying answer refuting any objection. Well then, so I will first ask questions and then answer these questions Myself. For it matters to Me that I explain My opinions not accepting his, which I have long since known.

"What really does emotion, or emotional life, mean? Where does it originate and where does it lead? And where does it differ from the rational life?"

All questions weighty enough to warrant explanations, if one wants to build in the least on such questions and their respective answers, even the structure of the whole of infinity, solidly and

permanently, so that no gust of wind coming from newly emerging ideas of a so-called scientist can topple it. Now let us come to the point.

What does it mean: emotion? This was the first question. And so I answer: "Emotion is something that one feels." But what does it mean: to feel? Here is the difficulty, for thinking and feeling are vastly different.

With his outer senses man feels all the impressions coming from the nature surrounding him. With his inner feeling capacity he perceives the influences of a spiritual nature, which, no matter how much he may deny them, are nevertheless there.

To this category belongs the voice of conscience which, according to your language (German) is something certain. Something which, despite all philosophical and scientific dispute among scientists and laymen, with its own reasoning (conclusions) pursues an idea which often does not fit in with what the scientists try to impose upon others while they themselves cannot agree upon it.

This emotion, or emotional life, is therefore not of material but of spiritual origin. That is, it leads up to the assumption that, apart from all the visible and invisible natural elements, there exists also a higher level of spiritual things, which are invisible and imponderable to our senses as well as impossible to analyze chemically. On the whole they are there and can be felt, but neither seen nor heard, or even thought, as for instance the feeling which takes hold of everyone listening to sublime music. What can you human beings do then; can you think one chord, or even feel the impression of the same on your soul?

Having established the fact that a feeling and an emotional life exist, the thought must naturally arise: Where does this stream of the most blissful emotions of which a human heart is capable come from? Where is its beginning and where its ultimate goal or culmination point? The just evinced spiritual realm, which is above all elemental matter, must naturally more or less be present in all matter so as to secure its permanence.

When people fell a tree or pull out a plant, do they know whether the tree or plant feels something during this violent act? They do not know! But their lack of awareness is no proof that the tree or the plant does not physically feel pain and, spiritually, death. For what your senses momentarily fail to perceive does not prove its non-existence. This emotional life is thus probably more or less present in everything created, in keeping with its individuality (nature). Now it surely is natural to ask: If, according to certain laws, the feeling is there, who established these laws, who showed them their established limits beyond which they cannot go?

Where there are laws, there must also be a lawgiver, for elements and natural forces do not evolve spontaneously. Therefore, since the laws naturally imply a lawgiver, it goes without saying that with the wisest laws there must also be a most wise lawgiver who is the quintessence of all wisdom.

No matter how much you people have so far learnt in nature, everywhere, on a large and on a small scale, you have been able to recognize the same perfection. Nowhere have you observed a shabby treatment; a central sun is as perfect as a grass mote.

What follows from these discoveries? The great fundamental law emerges that to the lawgiver and Sustainer of the universe, beginning with the remotest stellar constellation down to the tiniest infusorian on your earth, not a single one is more important than another, but that everything is on its level arranged, sustained, and further developed with the same care for the sake of its progress.

Since you have to deduce this merely from your investigations, it naturally follows that, if a mote is important to the Creator, also the human spirit with all its qualities must be and that, since the Creator does not let a single atom perish or vanish, He will even less regard a human soul or whole nations as lost.

Now that people with their good and bad qualities and their completely free will have so far deviated from the actual goal for which the Creator made them, should it be impossible for this very same God or Creator to adopt special measures and through His influx into the heart of an individual prophet or medium (as you now say) chosen by Him, try to bring back to the right road the other lost spirits and souls? Here we have finally arrived at a point where our friend could perhaps convince himself of the possibility (though only in extraordinary cases) of such an influx.

However, this influx can only occur in the organ corresponding to the spiritual Giver, and this organ is the understanding of the heart, or the heart, or the emotion. It alone, being the most important, most precious organ, is suitable for the most sublime soaring up, the divine spiritual ecstasy.

The intellect belongs to the world, to its requirements and its material interests. The emotion is the organ of the spiritual life, which in this world can only be fleetingly tasted, is not lasting here and at most leaves behind a faint foreknowledge of a spiritual, higher world.

I had to go that far back so as to give at least a little to this friend, but also to let him have some idea as to what grace it means for someone like him to be taught by Me, the Lord of everything created.

I love him, like all My children, like everything created. I want to lose nothing, and this applies also to him, who is by no means among the most ignoble souls who were placed on this earth for their short trial-life.

Your friend in his letter to your brother complains about the various discrepancies which he observes in creation, in human life, indeed wherever he turns his eyes, mentioning quotations by scientists who judge Me and speak of My arrangements like the blind of color. My dear friend, I have already told you before: The intellect is for the judging of worldly things, to invent machines and make discoveries so as to render your life more comfortable or to give one or the other more power to rule, etc. But whatever you may plot with the intellect, you cannot thereby fathom My creation, its "why so and not otherwise". However, with the emotions you can surmise it, without understanding it. Not until I intercede and allow you a glance into My operations will you have a little light. But then you will also find rather the loving Father than the implacable God in Me, who does not ever want to destroy, but always to build up and save!

Your friend said further in his letter that very much was expended on the education of the understanding of the heart, indeed more than on the development of the intellect.

To this I must remark that I am exactly of the opposite opinion. In almost all educational establishments the understanding of the heart, the heart with its noble attributes, is almost totally neglected and the worldly intellect alone educated. This is why there is so much evil among human beings because they have merely a brain and no heart. For that very reason I allow misery and misfortune in human society, so as to awaken the inner feeling, neglected or led astray in early life, and make the inner voice heard again, so that man may again learn to prefer spiritual well-being and advantage to worldly success.

Through misery and ills I awaken the dormant hearts; in their misery they then seek Me, whom in their life of pleasure they had quite forgotten and often even totally disavowed.

From this standpoint your friend must view the earthly life merely as a period of transition and in the same sense regard all the sufferings which often arouse his pity, and he will (like My angels and pure spirits) give blessing where now he wants to curse.

What would man be, had he not in the end his own heart, his inner life, as an ultimate refuge against all misfortune?

The intellect with all its knowledge is cold; and where there is cold, there is no life!

The inner feeling warms. Where spiritual sunbeams, emblems of eternal love, flash through the martyred heart, the flame of enthusiasm is kindled. There man then enjoys the higher initiation into the foreknowledge of a light of a more sublime and beautiful world far beyond this earthly life, dimly visible as through a coffin-lid.

Who has never lived through such hours which the contemplation of nature or the works of true poets and composers offered him ~

And where do all these sublime sensations really lead? Certainly not to a destructive, severely judging God, but to a loving Father and sustainer of all his created beings.

Also in nature, appearances are deceptive, if the human eye judges the destruction of one animal by another only with human reason, this slaughter and murder with worldly rational notions.

You human beings here or there judge with a compassionate heart the destruction in nature that you see and which for wise reasons were decreed by Me thus and not otherwise. However, where your entertainment is concerned, or the killing of time that you cannot spend with anything better (or at least you imagine so), you fail to consider that when hunting you deprive out of boredom innocent animals of their lives in order to satisfy your lust to kill.

You condemn the bird that mercilessly consumes the insects, which it does only for the preservation of its own life; there you see an unjust God. As for your voracity however, where everything exists only for your stomach and you kill by far more than many animals, not out of necessity but out of wantonness and boredom, you weak creatures consider your actions justified, even laudable, while you accuse a loving Creator of something which may be more necessary for your existence than you could ever imagine.

Therefore, My dear friend, learn first how to love and honor Him, who with every pulse-beat showers you with thousands of graces. Learn to understand the language of nature, and you will no longer see so many dissonances in it as hitherto.

Rest assured, the world is always the same; a loving heart sees only love, where an embittered one finds hatred and discord, in your heart you do not see the world, but only its reflection; clean the mirror and the reflection of My nature, which is always the same, will soon show itself to you in greater purity.

Read My old and My new words; they contain peace and tranquility, which you will seek in vain in the books of scholars.

The majority of scholars write their books so as to gain the tranquility they themselves lack, or they try to convey to others the clear conviction about the world that they have lacked in all spheres.

Use your intellect for your worldly career, but also here combine your intellect with love. Then you will gain more peace, you will learn to know and love God, the Creator and Father, more and will no longer have to pity or envy others.

Follow My advice and you will soon hear this voice, which is now speaking to you through another man, in yourself and it will give you peace, solace and a true picture of the world and its life process.

This you are given for your solace. I value you because I know your heart; it only needs the right guide who will bring it onto the right path. For the time being I Myself will be this Guide. And so follow My advice and you will certainly never regret it. All this I, your most gracious Father, am telling you. Amen. (Secrets of life, chp. 10)

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“You have again been approached to beg Me on behalf of your brother’s friend for words of solace and explanations in reply to his last letter.

You are both concerned out of brotherly love to elucidate as much as possible to this friend his doubts and his concepts imbibed from worldly scholars and help him who, though longing for enlightenment, refuses to discard what he learnt earlier, to regain his tranquility and the desired solace And so let us see whether we can kindle for this soul instead of its presumed “scientific” light another, spiritual one which compares to the former like sunlight does to a burning candle.

Of course, your friend became upset through My words sent him by you. This food is new to him, not hard to digest, but unusual, for it is a food for the heart, not one for the head.

As I have told you before, your worldly scholars do not believe in everything they write down and often recant on their deathbed everything they have written. These scholars, as they erroneously call themselves, whose whole system is often, indeed mostly, built on a hypothesis which, wrong or not, is at least provable to them, know how to erect with clever words and seemingly logical conclusions an

edifice on this hypothesis. And he who accepts the first sentence of the hypothesis as true is of course compelled to believe everything else.

However, what is the usual conclusion at the end of any “cleverly” written book? It is: “This is how far the material and rational research goes. It cannot be backed by historical facts nor experimentally proven; the present level of knowledge as well as the instruments available being inadequate to follow up this clever assumption.”

How much have your scientists written about the origin of the earth, about its structure, its age, etc., and what is the final result? That they know nothing! For the creation of this earth, its gradual development, its inhabitants beginning with the lowest crustaceans and ending with man, comprise such spaces of time that no matter how much the geologists may dig around in the lowest strata of the earth’s crust, they will find nothing of import of that which I alone know.

What have the astronomers discovered on the laborious roads of mathematics about the great starry firmament, which every night displays above their heads an ocean of wonders for the human spirit? Only a small number of planets orbiting around your sun; apart from that, they know nothing. Despite their best instruments, the nearest sun orbiting outside of .cur solar system remains for them a small star and a great mystery.

What do they know about the vast stellar or solar complexes that you call nebulae? Nothing! Your telescopes do not reach them and you have no data by which to express the distances to suns full of splendor and wonders with beings loving Me, still circling around each other singing a continual hymn of praise to Me, the Lord, whereas your friend accepts My existence only of necessity, and all this in your, to you, infinite shell globe. What are they supposed to know about that which lies beyond the envelopment o: cite same, compared to which this entire, to you infinite, shell globe is merely an atom in the universe?

What do the scientists of your world know of the animal kingdom or how the animals see the world and man? Look, an ox is for you a totally alien world. You do not know whether he sees you as gray, red or blue, short or tall. Its spiritual-intellectual life is for you and all scientists forever an enigma, and so is the life of every animal.

The scientists can only externally classify the animals according to their species, dissect them, prove their physical structure and its similarity to the animal nearest to them, and spy out certain peculiarities in their way of living. But despite all their research, they fail to know why the animal exists. And when they can no longer extricate themselves from the Labyrinth of riddles into which they have enmeshed themselves, they begin to accuse Me, believing that they, with their book learning, could have done everything better than I Myself.

What do your doctors and anatomists know, who incessantly dissect corpses (and even vivisect) and chemically analyze the elements of which the human body is corn posed?

To Me they all appear like a tailor who tries to determine from the garments he is expected to repair the character and the spiritual qualities of the one who has worn them. The material, indeed only the coarse material, is visible to them. The quiet energy, endowed with intelligence, which builds these receptacles

to the last detail with equal perfection, animates them and from the moment of begetting builds them and sustains them until death, this intelligence they do not know, for it cannot be found through dissecting.

Look at a human brain; what is this tissue of diverse mass, segregated in its membrane, with its convolutions?

Why are these convolutions? Why not one single mass, why the gray and why the white mass? Some scientists believe to have discovered where this or that ability is Located. Yet what is ability or passion? Is it a fluid, or an electrical or magnetic current? What is the thinking process? What goes on in the brain mass during the same?

Look at all this; even if the brain was exposed and all this accessible for observation, these scientists would still see nothing, for a thought has no body.

It is exactly here in the hemispherical, whitish-gray mass of the brain that two worlds meet, which, despite all denials, still exist.

Many a materialist may still want to deny this with some sophisticated nonsense, but in his very denial, in his own person, it proves its existence.

You see, your dear friend has imbibed the sweet poison of human wisdom from these books. Following these scientists step by step. He has often in his life found their arguments seemingly proven and has thus fallen victim to pseudo-knowledge. This, however, neither satisfies nor consoles, but condemns him to share with them the sad fate these scientists have allotted to man in creation. This is, to wait patiently until, after much misfortune and suffering of human life, finally also his hour comes which carries him off this vale of tears, turning him perhaps into a bit of water, or ether, or nitrogen (according to their idea). It is this horrible prospect that depresses him, and since no one has as yet come (to him) to enlighten him, he is sick and tired of his life and existence.

Yes, My dear child, you are certainly right to see the world as you do, as it were, wanting to curse the day when you were born and thinking with a shudder of the day when you will return to the unconscious void from which you believe to have come. This prospect is surely sad and hopeless after so many calamities, sufferings and illnesses accompanying man on his earthly path, finally to be without the prospect of a reward, not even knowing why one has lived!

It really does not redound in God's honor to have created human beings who torment each other all their lives only to finally cease to exist without, so to speak, having had a purpose for coming to this earth or leaving it. One would have to assume that there is a God, who wants to delight in the torment of human beings, whom He created merely for His pastime, since He had nothing else to do.

However, if you, My dear child, in hours of solitude will scrutinize this matter earnestly, I ask you this: Has it never struck you as strange that, despite all the calamities of human life, other sentiments, other emotions often asserted themselves within you, which did not always express disgust and despair, but which revealed more gentle, more consoling aspects of spiritual life to you?

Have you never felt compassion, never an urge to look upward? Have you never felt the gentle sentiment of love in your heart with which you, forgiving the whole of mankind, could still love them?

Have you never, when witnessing a great natural phenomenon or gazing in the stillness of the night up into the starry heaven, sensed a holy foreknowledge which, had you responded to it, would have lifted you up into higher spiritual spheres where the human bustle would have disappeared, making way for a more beautiful, gentler feeling, the feeling of forgiveness and love!

Did not in such moments your God appear to you in a better light than as the dead science taught you, saving He ruled as an implacable tyrant? I know only too well that there were many such moments that seized your heart; only you did not want to listen to them.

However, now that I want to lead you onto other more promising paths, I must remind you of them. You see, these moments were the solemn hours when My Spirit spoke to you, a lost child. They were moments of My spiritual proximity; I wanted to console you, heal the wounds your philosophical over-subtle reasoners and book authors had inflicted on you. I wanted to show you that, far beyond all the so-called scientific investigations, there lives and moves something else, which can dissolve even the worst disharmonies and cruelties of the human-earthly life into harmonious hymns of praise for Him, whom despite your seeking you have not found as yet, or whom you have at least not understood as He wants to be understood by you human beings.

Much still lies in the dark for you; you demand miracles, at the same time thinking there are no miracles.

Now I ask you, what does miracle really mean? You see, many inventions that now the smallest child among you understands, would have been termed a miracle some centuries ago. What actually were they?

They were natural laws or forces that people hitherto did not know or, if they did know them, did not understand how to use!

Do you think the land of discoveries is fully explored? Is not most of it shrouded in darkness, particularly the Spiritual? And if here and there I allow people to find access to the spiritual life so that they should come to know Me, the most pure Spirit, better, does it have to be a miracle, which would coerce them into believing?

As you write in your letter, if your steel pen were suddenly changed into a pencil, you would believe. However, if I allowed this, what would happen? Look, you would be forced to believe at least at the first moment in the possibility of such a transformation, but I do not know whether within a few hours you may not have denied this miracle, perhaps thinking the two objects must have been confused in your thoughts without your being aware of it.

My dear child, there are no miracles! For everything depends on the laws long ago decreed by Me.

Do you actually know what a miracle is or would be? Look, I will tell you: a miracle would be if, contrary to the immutable laws ordained from the beginning of creation, I were to allow or effect something diametrically opposed to these laws, thereby having to accuse Myself of a contradiction. For

you must know – My laws are made so as to make an action contrary to them impossible, at least on My part.

Surely you often act contrary to My laws, but their transgression is always immediately followed by punishment.

However, it is a totally different matter where My laws begin and end, and how many there still are of which your researchers and philosophers have no idea and which they will not ever discover.

So you see, My child, you are reading here what I, as your God, am speaking to you. You fail to understand this event. It has never occurred to you in your life that God, who claims to exist, the Creator of all these immense worlds, should want to talk to you, and despite your astonished shaking of the head this is what I am doing. For I love you, My created being, too much to want to see you lost, a victim of materialism and unbelief!

Realize that you carry a divine spark of My divine self within you, which has been laid into you at birth. You have a totally different destiny from the one that so far you have considered your only one, one that is higher. So as not to lose you, I allowed your (seemingly) incidental contact with a man (My present scribe), who is already nearer to My heart and has often clearly heard My voice within him. You see, this man, who is on the road to become what all people should at some time become, has facilitated your road to Me through a more direct contact. In this way, words are reaching you from a region of the existence of which you have never had an idea.

Well then, try to spiritually digest this, to you, new food. Perhaps you will find there what you did not find in the philosophers and other authors, namely, a better philosophy and a better concept of Me, your Creator.

Compare My words with those of the book-worms! Which ones can one read more often without becoming bored? And you will gradually find that He, whom you imagined to be beyond all the stars, was often so close to you, with a compassionate look full of fatherly love, pitying you because of your spiritual aberration.

Every beginning is difficult. It is an effort for many a person to discard an old, comfortable garment in favor of a new one. Do try it too; perhaps the future will show you that you need not repent the change of garment. This, your Father tells you, who holds together everything in His creation not with the claws of a tyrant but with the bonds of love, and who wants not even one atom be lost, let alone a human soul such as yours. Amen. (Secrets of life, chap. 13)

Human science

"Every discovery in the field of science is wrongly interpreted by your scientists and exploited only for material ends. Here and there individuals may discover traces of a sublime spiritual power, beyond the elements that are already well known, but they will make every effort to explain away what is there right before their noses, in very roundabout ways and using long-learned scientific terms, or they will invent

their own explanation, not wanting to acknowledge that there is a God. If there has to be one, they want to be that god themselves." (Lord's Sermons 322)

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“Therefore, this is a fundamental principle: Prior to dealing with any science, men must become true men, or any science whatever it may be, will harm rather than benefit them. For all science engages only the reason which lodges in the brain; but the heart, as the foundation of life, remains coarse, cruel and wild as that of a beast of prey and works even more evil, with the aid of science, than without it. **For with an ungodly heart, science is a true light of evil of every kind and type.**

[5] Therefore, My friends and brothers, first of all give the blind a true light of life into their heart and let such light at first illumine the soul's understanding, then all science will become a true blessing to man.

[8] Believe Me, **every man possesses hidden within his spirit the countless wonders circling about and revolving in for you immeasurable spaces.** Therefore, aim first of all at your spirit's full awakening, and what no eye has ever seen and no sense has ever felt, you will always, in greatest clarity, see within yourselves and also genuinely perceive through all other senses.

[9] **Those who truly recognize and love God in Me, the Son of Man, will already in this life enjoy a bliss of the glory of which until now, no man's heart has ever perceived or felt anything.** But merely on the way of science, no man will ever get there.” (The Great Gospel Of John III, chap. 175)

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"They would rather dispute away their own ego than declare themselves vanquished by factual proof for the existence of God."

„The keenest theorists, scientists and investigators of matter will in the end all come to the point, and have to come to it, however great their resistance, that high above matter there lives a great spirit who unites the smallest of atoms as well as the largest of universes to form a whole..." (Lord's Sermons 221)

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"Your clever materialists believe that the whole world is moved and activated only by force and matter - two things that they themselves are not really able to explain." (Lord's Sermons 174)

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"Many of the worldly wise only produce something that will serve earthly purposes, while anything deeper, inner and spiritual remains alien to them." (The Great Gospel Of John IV 236, 1)

"The worldly understanding of men does not grasp the inner things of the spirit and of living truth, and takes those for fools who bring them news of such." (The Great Gospel Of John IX 132, 16)

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"[1] NOW I taught My disciples that they received a good example here, showing to what a worldly attitude and lust for power will lead, and how necessary it is to be always on one's guard and not to believe to already have assimilated every knowledge and light in oneself as those three Pharisees were thinking. They could be considered real scientists because they wanted to examine everything with their critical reason and only wanted to believe what they saw, but by that they fell from one doubt into another because after they were looking, they doubted again whether they looked well, and they finally did not trust their own actions and words. Furthermore, their striving, although serious, was nevertheless wrong because it was only directed to the outer and not to the inner, and only that formed the consumable kernel, as with a nut on which one can really break his teeth on the purely outer form. That is why it was still by far not possible to make Myself known to them." (The Great Gospel Of John Book 25, 33)

Worldly wisdom

„[11] He who wants to come to the inner, true wisdom of the Spirit from God through experiences and according to the opinions of his worldly reason is terribly mistaken. He will come on byways that are full of abysses, in which, in the night of his spirit, he very quickly and easily can fall and bring himself to ruin completely.

[12] Are there not numberless stars in the sky at night? And still, in their light you cannot read one letter. So also, man cannot decipher the inner scripture of life with the thousandfold shine of his difficultly acquired worldly knowledge and experiences that he has gained.

[13] But as during the day, in the light of the sun, even the smallest letter can be well read, so can man also – when the inner sun of life has gone up in him by his actions according to My Word – read and understand his inner, true scripture of life, and can see the relations between everything that is in him and which also surrounds him on all sides towards the outside.

[14] To seek only with the weak twilight of the worldly reason, the soul in man cannot even find himself, let alone his connection of life with the body and with the spirit in him. It is true that man should develop his reason of the brains and learn how to think reasonably, but not in the manner of the world, but like the true children of God, as this can be clearly noticed with the pious patriarch and forefathers. Then the reason of the brains will also soon and easily acquire the intensity of light,

compared to which all worldly wisdom is a great darkness." (THE GREAT GOSPEL OF JOHN, Book 21, chp. 68)

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"(Raphael) "I only meant to indicate that no intellect, however bright, suffices if the one looked for is himself the highest and purest love. In the first place, it is the heart, namely, the love that must take on the task of seeking and recognizing. To be sure, the intellect must be involved, but love must have priority. Without it the pure intellect achieves nothing. " (The Great Gospel Of John V, 18:1-2)

The Alchemists

"(Preliminary remark taken from a letter: "And so you must be induced by words coming from the Lord to make known secret desires and doubts, so as to receive my detailed explanation of this desired topic from the Lord Himself and so listen:

"My dear son, when in those days in these works (by the alchemists, etc.), you sought Me, your Father, you did not realize what was true and what was wrong in these books, and fared like many people nowadays, who likewise fail to understand the Bible because they cannot find its spiritual meaning.

Those men, who since time immemorial have concerned themselves with the dark side of science and were called magi, astrologers, alchemists, all those men had a vague idea that something greater, more sublime was hidden behind that which nature visibly revealed to man.

In the stillness of the night they watched the course of the stars, studying mostly at night, because at night the spirit could concentrate better than during the day. In the darkness of night the quietly working great Spirit, which permeates My entire universe, surrounded them. They surmised its influence, but they did not know the Spirit itself, and why? Because they themselves were only worldly orientated, only intent on their own advantage and on using everything they could find towards the enhancement of their own influence and position.

This is the reason why they all found nothing (worthwhile), neither "the philosophers' stone" nor "the arcanum longae vitae" (elixir of life). They did not become more enlightened and, like all people who are born, had to die.

That which these erring children denoted, sometimes in Latin and sometimes in Greek terms, as the universal spirit, is, was and remains nothing else but My will or the forever active power, which sustains everything, then destroys it and creates everything anew, in order to lead everything back onto the spiritual path to Me on a gamut of intricate processes and transformations.

Sometimes an inspired thought flashed through the brain of such a nocturnal student. However, he tried to grasp with the intellect what was not of the intellect, calling it by an unknown name and giving it a mystical semblance only to render what was silly even sillier, and tried to make other people believe what he himself did not believe, namely that he knew more than others. So he assumed a mantle of high learning and no one saw that out of his mystical apparel as magician, alchemist or astrologer a pair of tremendously big donkey's ears were sticking out.

What the pseudo-philosopher mentioned by you termed saltpeter, as active force which the wind had carried in its belly and which was the spirit he was looking for, is nothing but the active life force which every wind and every breeze contains. For what really is saltpeter, what is salt? And what is the active vital spirit in creation?

Look, My dear son, this is all one and the same, only you must examine it a little more closely. (Compare with: chap. **Sugar, Salt and Vinegar** – Secrets of life). Saltpeter, or salt, is a substance resulting from the breaking up of other elements that, in turn, breaks up everything with which it is mixed.

What does breaking up mean? You see, breaking up in My language is nothing else but stimulation, the developing of life activity, the freeing of bound substance.

When saltpeter precipitates in crystalline form from other decayed elemental substances, it is, out of the whole substance, the finest Spiritual and, compared to the former, on a higher level. Then, as it combines with other substances, it develops a higher life and, thus spiritualizing itself and liberating everything else through the breaking up, paves the way for spiritual progress.

Its corroding property, like that of salt, is the awakener, the stimulant to higher life and thus nothing else but My mighty will, which drives everything created along on its course.

If your philosopher says that the wind carries the sought-for spirit in its belly, it means in other words: The created movement in the air that stimulates the metabolism is the mother of active life. For just as the live animal and the woman carry the future fruit in their belly for maturation, also in the air everything is ready for further conveyance, noticeable in a faster movement, a faster process of precipitation, as wind or air movement, and urges on towards a decision. It is the spirit, which I laid into My nature and which, stimulating everything, must break up and create everything anew.

And when the alchemists of former times had a foreknowledge of an eternal, indestructible life, it was not their earthly-physical life but the life of the spirit laid into them which, however, in their nocturnal inspirations by a higher spirit-world they did not understand and interpreted wrongly.

The earth's father or mother is neither the sun nor the moon. **The Father of everything created am I, and the mother who constantly gives birth and incessantly works, stimulates, sustains and newly creates is My will.** It is expressed through all the substances in the ether, all of which carry within them the impulse like the salts to stimulate, coerce to new forms, to embody them and again break them up as salts. Thus, in new combinations, they draw nearer to the spiritual cosmic edifice from where they came and to where, driven by My will, they must again return on their circuit.

These substances, My son, have been, and still are, the actual carriers of My creation.

It is My will as “active force”, which as magnetism attracts, as electricity repels, as light stimulates, as warmth develops, and as fire destroys. Finally, as the great awakener, it coerces what has been changed by the salts and acids to go into new forms, but more spiritualized than before, through another cycle of creations.

And what is your own life? Is it something different?

Look, My child, the various ramifications on the road of life are the salts, the stimulants, the awakeners. They stimulate you into feeling, thinking, acting.

They break up the impressions absorbed from the outer world. From this process emerges the character or the actual spiritual physiognomy of man.

These experiences further your spirit and purify, liberate and tie together life’s impressions into a whole.

My will, as a spiritual wind, wafts through your soul, there to give birth to new thoughts, new ideas turning into actions which guide you onto better roads, thus shortening your road to Me considerably.

This is the saltpeter and the salt of life that you find everywhere, on mountains and in valleys, in caves and also in your own home. It is the stimulating principle of coincidence (a linking together of events), just as in the whole of creation the incessant attraction and repulsion of like and unlike substances.

Thus the world faces its change, and thus you face yours.

Here you have in a few words your images from your ancient books elucidated, spiritualized.

From time immemorial the thinker had a need to unravel the unknown, and the less he could reach or unravel it, the more it fascinated him, be it in the material or in the spiritual-psychic realm.

This is where all the aberrations of the human spirit originate, so that today only a few people see and recognize their mission quite clearly.

You, My child, have now stepped from darkness into the bright light.

Follow My tenets and My words and you will, not with the intellect, but with the heart, read from the whole of nature surrounding you and realize that it is your Father, who from all objects and from all the corners of your heart calls out to you: There is only One God, One Creator and One Lord! But also only One Father, who with His will, as the universal vital salt, awakes, inspires and guides everything, so that it may ultimately, as an entity originated in the spiritual self of His Being, be able to return to that source! Amen." (Secrets of life, chp. 17)

The essence of life

(chap. Secrets of life)

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"Look, this word again encompasses so much that is enigmatic, full of misapprehension and poorly proven by your scholars, natural scientists and medical men, that I am feeling inclined to again give you a light which shall shine forever for you and for all future generations.

"What is Life?" Well, if I would discuss this question in the manner it was given you by your learned men, I too, like they, would have to come to wrong conclusions. For all of them without exception regard the effect as the cause, consider the product to be the factors, by judging only by that which is visible or tangible to them.

Would I render to you the concept "Life" according to an earlier word in its original context, where it says: "Where there is light, there is warmth, where there is warmth, life", I would again explain the visible effect or the appearance of life as the product of light and warmth. However, with today's word I want to tell you neither the one nor the other, but I want to show you life from a more profound and more exalted spiritual aspect. This will convince many a doubter and atheist of his unbelief so that also he, converted by the sound reasoning, can in the end only believe, or surmise, what until now he has so stubbornly denied.

Now let us come to the point; the question is: "What is life?"

Look, if I take the matter as it presents itself to your senses, "life" exists wherever a transformation, a change, a movement manifest. You say: The plant, this animal, this person is alive. Where life is not visible, not perceptible to your senses, as in the mineral kingdom, you no longer assume a life, but at most a combustion in accordance with certain laws according to which also the rock, though slowly or imperceptibly, experiences a transformation. However, according to your belief, one that is spontaneously caused by the influences of other elements on it.

This is how you view life. Your botanists prove to you by their diligent studies the circulation of the juices in the plants, tell you as far as their microscopes and other chemical analyses go, how and of what the tree, the leaf, the blossom and the fruit consist, explain to you the fibers and canals and the core of the trees and plants. However, with all this they explain to you merely the media and conductors of life, but not life itself.

Your anatomists dissect living and dead animals, look amid the torture of the former or the inanimate state of the latter, in the wrong manner, of course, when life has departed, for the effects of the same. They explain to you the nerves, the white and the gray mass, as factors of sensation and motion. They explain to you the organic and the animal life in man and find also sometimes the center from where all life issues. Finally, they explain to you also the brain with its convolutions and ramifications, its correspondence with, and dependence on, the other nervous system by means of voluntary and

involuntary nerves, and explain to you the structure of the nerves as the directors of the will and the life force; however, life itself they fail to fathom out. They do not know why the nerve, like a telegraph wire, transmits to the human limbs the will of the soul or of the life indwelling it. They merely say: The nerve is thus built and created to serve as a conductor. But the fluid enlivening this telegraph, the life potency as such, is unknown to them and will remain so as long as they investigate merely with their intellect. For the thought, which in the convolutions of the brain is transmitted as far as the tongue or the writing pen; this imponderable factor they will not ever be able to fathom with the brain, although it is transmitted through it!

The thought is a spiritual product, and this, and how and why it comes into being, is only seen and understood by the more profoundly seeing spiritual man.

For this reason this life, which is above the organic and animal life, is even less explainable. For neither the mass of the brain nor the nerves originating in it will ever be able to tell him as to who or what enabled them to inform the outer world of the inner, or to receive the impressions from the outer world inwardly and use them for the further spiritual development of the psychic man.

In vain do some materialists toil to trace back all the movements and phenomena in the human as well as in the animal or plant life to the laws of chemical assimilation; it is and remains forever a wrong conclusion. For, when your scientists cite to you all the elements forming your body or that of an animal or a plant; when they prove that this or that consists of phosphorus, limestone, salt, etc., I will only tell them: Take all these primitive elements and mix them, and see whether an artery, a vein, a nerve fiber or even a pulsating heart will ever form from them.

Look, you weak blind scientists, surely you can see that in organic life certain basic elements combine into compounds, producing other substances of a higher order. However, the whole chemical laboratory will not succeed in producing a single blade of grass out of all these substances, much less a living being endowed with organic life!

To achieve this, a different kind of energy is required, which possesses the raw materials of the world of rocks and minerals according to laws other than those of attraction or repulsion and forms from them organs as supports of organic life. This requires a different law, a different life, and this very life is a mystery for you and so many others, and the purpose of the words I am speaking today.

This life, which in the rock presses towards its transformation, which makes it come into being, cease or dissolve into other elements; this life, which in the plant builds the organs, in the living animals makes their leading instinct and in man, combining all the former life of the rock and the plant, develops from the very same the Spiritual for another, eternal world; this life cannot be found and classified through chemical analysis nor with the microscope or the dissecting knife. **This life is of a higher order than you weak investigators believe, for it is not a product of matter, but “an offshoot of My own, eternal, never-ending life!”**

How do you finite, weak beings propose to measure out the life of the infinite God? You see His action visibly in everything surrounding you, you can surmise it if only you ponder on your own Self, which is, and will remain, for so many enigmas.

Everywhere you will find that there is still another potency apart from all kinds of air, from magnetism and electricity. For all of these exist only so as to propagate life and to build and sustain the entire visible world, thus leading it towards a spiritual, higher goal.

All the absurdities on the part of the materialistic gentlemen will one day be regretted and cursed by them personally, once the moment arrives where the coffin-lid opens and the much celebrated clumsy piece of work, the body, nolens volens (means: whether willing or not) put into the coffin, is returned to the earth to again become that, from which it has gone forth.

There at this bridge to eternity they will shudder in view of the desolate prospect, which they have tried to make appear nonexistent to themselves and others and which nevertheless is finally also catching up with them!

However, then it will be “too late”; they will be entering a miserable beyond, a “void”, just as they have imagined it. There they will be given time until, having discarded their materialistic concept of creation, they will be able to gradually bear a little spiritual light.

This will be their fate, a fate which not I, but they have prepared for themselves. Did not the apostle Paul once say: “As the tree falls, so it remains lying!”

Without faith they fell, and without faith they will again awaken there. They were compelled to surrender to the earth the life of their brain and intellect, together with the mechanism serving it, and the spiritual life, which during their earthly sojourn they disavowed, has reached zero. You, My children, do not, and cannot, grasp the miserable conditions awaiting them there!

However, let us allow them to continue working with their wisdom-pride and return to our word “Life”, for I do not wish to describe the fate of the unbelievers, but that of the believers. You have this in prospect; as for the former, it is up to every individual to prepare it for himself according to his liking.

Now do realize that it is life alone, as I have shown it to you, as an “efflux of My eternal, imperishable Life”, which, weaving through the entire creation, penetrates in the light to the farthest distances where it produces warmth through vibration. This life then, according to My irrevocable laws, first urges the primal elements to combine with one another and, from step to step attaining higher levels of inorganic life, finally slowly makes the transition into organic life. There, by means of the organs, all the former elements, transformed for other purposes and through other processes from the solid into the liquid state, can only be of service to the newly formed life.

In this manner the hitherto apparently “inner substance” becomes alive, in animals turning into soul-substance and finally, in man, into Spiritual.

The pleasant inhalation of the spring air is not a product of oxygen and carbon, as you call them, but it is the spiritual life newly awakening from its hibernation, which comes over one hemisphere of the earth, while the other moves or rushes towards its point of rest lasting several months.

It is not merely a material feeling of well-being or a material influence which the mountains exert on the wanderer when, hiking among them, he sees roaring mountain torrents tumble down from steep rock

cliffs or weathered rock masses and snow drifts look down on him from inaccessible heights. It is a far more exalted, spiritual pull of spiritual life which takes hold of him, giving him a foreknowledge that, high above the mute matter in nature, another spirit is wafting, which speaks to him in a friendly manner these words: "Look, small tiny wanderer! That which you are seeing and feeling near me is God's voice speaking to you, which here for your benefit through its eternal rule with few expedients wants to spread among you contentment, tranquility and blissfulness and tell you:

"Do not, o men, lose yourselves in material interests which only concern this brief period of earthly life! Pay more heed to your spiritual development! We ancient witnesses of a pristine nature, who existed before your feet touched this earth, always testify to you of God's greatness, His omnipotence, His love! Close ranks with us! Be simple and always in tune with nature, and your physical as well as your spiritual life will not, like our waters, roaring and fuming have to find its path between rocks and crevices, but will slowly and gently, among flowering meadows and shady forests, meander towards its goal!"

"Consider life an efflux from your Creator's Spirit, through whose most mighty will also we were raised up, to again sink decaying into the depth in the distant future. As hard rock we stand here, defying wind and weather, until such time when also our elements, our life, having matured for a higher level, can pass into another, higher one!"

Thus speak the mountains to you, thus speaks the spiritual life in them to your spirit, which can read in the tumbling water not water, in the snowy summit of a mountain not cold snow, but spiritual correspondences, which are food for its soul and nutriment for its spirit.

Do cultivate this life, and thus look upon life, which, conducted through vessels and nerves, proclaims to you that there exists something more exalted, something greater than merely attraction and repulsion or the assimilation of related chemical elements. Then you will more easily grasp that your brain with its convolutions must of course be there so as to impart your life and sustain it; that all of these are only conductors, vessels and disseminators of a higher life, which impart to the animal as well as to the organic and inorganic life the impulse towards manifestation, but are not life itself.

Pity all those who consider the manifestations of the vegetative life its quintessence and refuse to recognize a higher Spiritual, which is above all the calamities of life! Poor created beings! They worry about matter, which can give them nothing, replace nothing. They are forced to miss out on a great many blissful impressions and hours that are enjoyed by the one who, recognizing the existence of a higher life, can find solace in it when earthly, material situations try to pull him into the dust from which he was born!

Yes, My children! There is a higher life, a life that reaches far beyond all that is transient and even in the rock is infinite. For also the rock changes only its form and chemical structure, but it too does not become nothing, and whatsoever is infinite in the rock, owing to its origin from Me, which in the plant and animal kingdom and in the human race is even more distinctly expressed, this imperishable something is the bond uniting the material with the spiritual world, and both with Me!

The more the feeling prevails that that which activates the pulsating heart, that which urges the soul to think, is not a mechanical effort, as a product of material factors, the more the awareness of a higher,

spiritual life is raised, which goes even further beyond these transient manifestations of energy of the animal and organic life and even continues where all matter comes to an end.

Thus understand life, this urge to go forward, and you will discover even in the tiniest monads or infusorian a superior life independent of the parts constituting this minute creature. Understand that all the organs of this animalcule, though invisible to your eyes, as well as the greatest worlds, are animated and permeated by the very same energy that urges these animalcules to perfection.

This spiritual life naturally manifests through the vegetative, organic life, since it is not possible otherwise. However, it is not the same; it is superior and has more permanence than anything else.

The organic life manifests merely as long as organs are there which are capable of fulfilling their functions. Once the organs are no longer active, life in them apparently ceases. However, the driving force that urged them to activity has not ceased but is only invisible on account of the inability of the organs to take it up.

My spiritual life has not ceased; for, when it can no longer progress in this way, it leads matter, through the dissolution of the same, into new combinations where on higher levels and in different circumstances life begins anew, so as to come closer to its goal, the ultimate return to Me.

Thus life, as a spirit-spark everlastingly flowing out from Me, is that which imparted to the first atoms in the great ether the energy to solidify, made from them worlds and suns, endowing them with all the wonders of creation and populating them. And it will ultimately lead them back on the same road, so as to build from the remnants again other spiritual and superior dwellings for freer, greater spirits.

The life out of Me is infinite; likewise the effect it produces. He who fails to understand his own life or the life of the world surrounding him in this sense, fails to understand the meaning of the concept of God, of the Creator. He is unable to grasp the idea of a loving Father, who is, and has been, doing everything to be loved, revered and also recognized by His created beings. Nor does he understand why I now, more than at any other time, am sending down to you message upon message, light upon light, so that you may not walk in darkness, battling with prejudice and misapprehension, but may thoroughly recognize the proper light of true life. It is calling out to you with every heartbeat that every beat of your pulse is grace, an efflux of that divine life that is without beginning or end.

Take these words to heart. There, keep them and digest them. For there is the place where spiritual life, supported by organic life, streams into your body, where it can bestow on you health, blessing and peace.

Thus all My words shall gradually fill in all gaps, remove all doubts and give you more and more the certainty that you are not Living in a material, but already in a spirit-world, where matter is merely the rough encasement, which is subject to change, whereas the actual Spiritual, Sublime, manifesting as life, is always and forever permanent.

There is no abstract matter, but only imprisoned Spiritual, and it is this that urges on towards the transformation of the former, manifesting in forms, first inorganic and then organic, from where it passes to its original source, the Spiritual.

Thus in the visible world everything confronting your senses is only a means to an end. The cause lies deeper and can only, as spiritual life, be surmised and partly understood with spiritual senses.

There lies the hearth of a never-failing source of life. There is the great electrical battery, which through its telegraphic wires beams its impulses to all the worlds, urging everything towards progress, towards perfection. There lies life, the spiritual basic element which, eternal as I Myself, has only a spiritual goal, strives only for the Spiritual, though it must make use of material means depending on the organs.

This spiritual life will make use of these means as long as it requires them. Once everything is spiritualized, its activity will become more intense and mightier and that which now must occur on the slow material road will then be carried out spontaneously and with all might, in the way **I can create or destroy worlds spontaneously whenever My great plan requires it and I do not wish to adhere to the slow road of development.**

You do not know the force of this spirit-life though you may have an inkling of it. These words shall serve to lead you to it, so that you may always be aware that you “children of a spirit-world” do possess Spiritual for the development of which you shall do more than for the earthly, transient material, which is only for a short duration, whereas the other will remain forever with you eternal created beings.

Thus your earthly sojourn has a purpose and your ultimate transition to another life a certain goal, namely, by utilizing the time to exploit your life’s capital given you in such a way that it may yield you the proper interest and fruits in the beyond! Amen." (Secrets of life, chp. 19)

The form of the living being as an expression of his inner spirit

"Just as in you human beings the face and the whole form partly express the spiritual interior and man can be partly recognized from his features, which give expression to either a noble or a common human soul, also the form of even the lowest animals up to those close to man, namely the ape, is the expression of its inherent spark. This is why, with still undeveloped senses and faculties, the forms cannot correspond to the aesthetic concept of a highest human spirit-form. For this spirit in its immaturity has still other requirements, needs other arrangements to fulfill its purpose. There the spirit itself in its spiritual form is still an embryo on the lowest developmental level and, therefore, simple as it is, also the envelopment surrounding it can only be simple

But the forms of the animals cannot be judged according to the human form, simply because in the animals the inner spiritual form is not perfected, not quite clearly expressed and still in need of many additions until it can approach the human form spiritually and physically. **And even where it comes closest to man, as is the case with the ape, the animal is lacking in the sole, but highest, attribute that makes man human. It is the freeing from the leading-string of nature (instinct) and, as the keystone of creation, the higher spiritual gift of the free will, emancipated from the instinct, as a**

free being to be also free from all the shackles and bonds of a nature subordinate to him, a lord over himself, and a spiritual lord of creation.

Beginning with the hard rock up to man, the latter has developed the logical or mathematical idea of a highest Being, of God, who in man wanted to create His spiritual (and physical) image to whom every other animal would look up in reverence, surmising if not recognizing in him not only its lord, but also its friend and highest goal." (Secrets of life)

Meeting between an atheist astronomer and the Lord after death

Angel A speaks: "You have died for the world according to the body and are now – forever alive according to your soul and your spirit – here in the actual true world of life of the spirits. We three are angels of the Lord, sent to you to awaken you and guide you on the right road to the Lord, your God and our God, to your Father full of love, patience and mercy, Who is our Father also, holy, exceedingly holy, Whom in your last hour on earth you called "a weak Deity", since you were blind, and Who forgave you everything because you were blind and weak. Now you know everything, do accordingly, and you will be forever exceedingly blissful, like we are!"

The astronomer says: "Brothers, friends of God, lead me wherever you like and I will follow you! But if ever I should have the endless grace of beholding God, do strengthen me mightily. For I am feeling forever too miserable, despicable and worthless to bear this most holy sight. But there I see somebody else who regards us in a most friendly manner. Who is this Glorious One? Surely also a messenger of the heavens?"

Angel A says: "Yes, probably a messenger of all the heavens. Go to Him, the road is short. He Himself will reveal it to you."

The astronomer goes; and the certain Somebody goes to meet him and says: "Brother, do you not know Me?" And the astronomer replies: "How should I know you, since I see you for the first time? Who are you, dear, glorious brother?"

The Most Friendly One speaks: "Look at My stigmata. You see, I am your weak Jesus and come to meet you to help your weakness with My weakness, for if I were to meet you with My strengths, you would have no life. You see, every beginning life is a tender plant, which cannot live without air, but the gale kills the life of the plant. Thus I too am only a tender breeze which meets you to revive you fully, not a gale to destroy you. Love Me as I have loved you from eternity, and you will have the true eternal life."

Speaks the astronomer: "O You my most beloved Jesus! So it is You, Who gave the most glorious

teaching to the dwellers of the earth and was crucified for it?! Oh, teach me also the right path leading to God, which you taught. You shall not ever be crucified for it by me! However, if possible, let me at the same time contemplate in full clarity the great creation, which has been my main concern all my life.”

Speaks Jesus: “Your road to God will not be far if you will enter it at once. If, however, you at first want to travel through your stars, you will have a long road. Now choose what you prefer!”

Speaks the astronomer: “My most beloved Jesus, you see, I am far from being ready for God. So if you can, help me to mature in the stars.”

Speaks the Lord: “It will be done to you according to your love! Choose one out of these three angels, who will guide you and will show you at the end of your journey who your presumed Jesus is, Whom you know as a man who was crucified.”

Here you can again see how this astronomer is looking for his “water” in which alone he wants to swim towards Me, not heeding the fact that I had already been with him and he with Me! Therefore, beware of the too learned water of the astronomers and geologists, for it does not draw to Me, but after the love of science! (Beyond the threshold, scene 2)

What it means to not recognize the divine revelation

12.20 But what are the first signs that a non-doer is headed towards a judgment of death?

12.21 The first signs are the doubts of the genuineness of one or the other part of the divine revelation.

12.22 What then is such a doubt in and of itself?

12.23 A doubt is nothing else but an impotence of the inner life, in consequence of which the spirit sinks back into itself, and in the soul appears nothing but a dull, ordinary twilight in which a part of the light comes from the fainter and fainter rays of the spirit, but the larger part of the increasing light comes from the sense-deceiving world.

12.24 Where such spiritual impotence leads doesn't need any great explanation, unless the spirit is again soon awakened by vigorous activity according to the Word.

12.25 But WHOEVER WILL NOT GO OVER INTO THE TRUE POSITIVE POLARITY OF ETERNAL LIFE DURING THE COURSE OF THIS LIFE, WILL JUDGE HIMSELF FOR THE NEGATIVE POLARITY, FROM WHICH HE WILL NEVER ARISE ETERNALLY!

12.26 These two polarities are respectively ‘spiritual’ and ‘material’, or living inner fruit and dead outer shell.

12.27 Whoever will go over into the fruit, will go over into life, but whoever goes over into the shell, will go over into death.

12.28 You should know that IN ALL THINGS, AND MORE SO IN GOD, THERE ARE TWO POLARITIES; AND SINCE THE DIVINE BEING IS ETERNAL, SO ALSO THESE TWO POLARITIES MUST BE ETERNAL.

12.29 Whoever is judged by the Word, or rather judges himself by it, takes life into himself and corresponds to the divine positive polarity, which is then the most free and unlimited existence.

12.30 But whoever does not take up the Word in himself in an effective manner, but only lets it run through his negative intellect, the Word itself will judge him towards the negative polarity, which is the basic principle of all matter and thus also of death and limitation from which you can see that there will never be an end to the natural world or the spiritual world, and the natural world will remain as an eternal negative-polar support for everything spiritual and free. Which lot is the best for all eternities, to be incorporated in either the negative of the positive polarity of God, that is: to be an eternally joyful, most free angel-spirit, or a banned Satan in a dead stone – such you may now decide for yourselves.

12.31 The truth is, indeed, everywhere for the living, but for the dead there is no light in all eternity.

[...]

12.45 I think this last question needs no further clarification, since you will know from this script, that ONE MUST BE A LIVING, ACTIVE DOER OF THE WORD IN ORDER TO BE RELEASED FROM THE NIGHT OF ETERNAL DEATH - AND NOT ONLY A HEARER, OR ULTIMATELY EVEN A CRITIC, WHAT IS EVEN WORSE, A DESPISER AND THEN EVEN A DENIER OF MY WORD.[...]

12.60 And I tell you this in addition: If anyone has a doubt and cannot fully believe this communication, so that through it he becomes alive in his heart, he will do better not to touch it for, if he has touched upon it, he has also reinforced the inner judge towards death. But if he has not touched upon it, his judgment will also be easier, and the way to the negative pole more tolerable and, perhaps, after eternities, also reversible.

12.61 BUT WHOEVER READS IT AND CONSIDERS IT AS A POWERFUL SIGNPOST TOWARDS LIFE, AND DOES ACCORDINGLY, TRULY, HE ALREADY HAS THE VICTORY WITHIN HIMSELF, ALL OF WHICH IS YOUR FATHER’S SOLE, HOLY LOVE-WILL ETERNALLY. Amen. (The Fly, final chapter)

