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This Being Our Monthly Letter & Chat for March 2021

My Dear Friend and Fellow Member,

March is the month in which we *Celebrate, Remember* and *Honor* our Founder and Teacher, Doctor Hugh Greer Carruthers for the Lessons and Monthly Chats which have changed the lives of so many people. Each year we commemorate the Birthday Anniversary of Doctor Hugh Greer Carruthers who's vision lives on through our newer members. Frequently we receive letters and emails from second and third generation relatives of Doctor's students. There have also been students who contact us saying that they had the privilege of being mentored by other members who introduced them to our Lessons.

March is an opportunity for those who are benefitting from this Course of Training and who want to *help* us to *help* others. The special gifts and remembrances to mark this occasion are used to support our promotion and general operating funds. I trust it is fully understood between us that any special gift and remembrance is not obligatory but a voluntary act to show your love and appreciation for this work.

This month's Letter and Chat is getting out sooner than usual for a change. As I mentioned in my February letter I will be enjoying two weeks in the *Sunshine State* this month so I really am planning ahead.

No matter where you are on your spiritual path nor how long you have been a member of The Theological Science Society, I believe you will enjoy and receive much from this month's Chat Letter which was originally published in 1950 - that is 71 years ago! It is written in Doctor Carruthers' usually phraseology. I particularly enjoyed his story of foolish king who gazing at himself in the mirror says: "My, O, My! What a wonderful man I am!....." on page 6.

Using a mirror when doing affirmations is very powerful technique. And, Doctor's words on the importance of controlling our thoughts and staying centered on the Presence within as the only Power in our life, is always a great reminder for us all.

May your days be filled with abundant miracles. Going to you now is my abundant gratitude to all of our members – past, present, and future.

Until next month, stay well, stay happy and stay Centered in Truth,

Rev. Ann B. Schmitt

From the STUDY OF

Hugh G. Carruthers

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My beloved Chela:

Come in, won't you? Come, be seated comfortably and relax. These few minutes when we can be together in this way every month afford an excellent opportunity to "let go" and rest while we chat. If you have some pressing duty to perform now, or must give your attention elsewhere, it were better to return to our discussion later, when you can be free to relax and forget all else. It is nice to have you with me and I am grateful for our time together in this way, but I am patient and can wait until you feel completely free to sit down with me, and we think together.

I daresay that at my advanced age, after a rather long life of many and varied experiences and almost continuous preparation, you imagine it is very easy for me to advise you to "let go" and relax at a moment's notice, but I should like you to know that IF YOU WILL, that is exactly what you CAN and WILL do IF you WILL but DO IT. It is merely a decision, and a decision is a Thought, and you only need to THINK, to be relaxed, seat yourself, or lie down, and you will find it the easiest thing imaginable.

It is natural that I should receive a large number of letters, most of them questions, and many of a personal nature. While many write, I am sure there are some who hesitate to do so, especially some who have allowed themselves to develop fear, or worry, complex, even in the face of this training for the Personal Development of my Chela.

Several recent letters have given me undue concern because they are from Fellow Members of recent enrollment who have not as yet received enough of our training in Theological Science to enable them to easily apply the principles of understanding, for the control of Thought. I think it might be proper to explain that Theological Science is defined as, "Knowledge of, and logical reasoning on, The Cause of what we know as the Universe, and The Fact responsible for life." Or, to put it another way: "The observation, classification, and logic of facts regarding the establishment of verifiable general laws especially with regard to Self, God, the Creation, and maintenance of the Creation."

"Theo" is a combining form meaning god, as in theocentric; having God for its center; assuming divine, or infinite, sovereignty; as, a theocentric universe. Or, as regarding the living individual; assuming an infinite Center of Intelligence Which is practically incomprehensive to the average person undeveloped intellect, although such a person is aware of an intuitive Influence, innate and inherent within himself, provable by logical reasoning and application of the principle.

"Logical" is of, or pertaining to, logic; used in logic. "According to the rules of logic;" as, logical reasoning. Skilled in logic; as, "he is a logical thinker."

"Logic" is the science that deals with validity in thought and demonstration; the science of principles of reasoning. To extend this definition a little further, logic may be said to be the methodology or formal principles of any branch of knowledge; as, "the logic of true theology in question," or "the logic of art in form." In simple term, logic means reasoning; especially sound reasoning, or whatever convinces (is proved) and makes argument useless.

Since Science is orderly, systematized knowledge, it follows that the Science or Theology should differ from the tenets, or doctrines, of theology as a dogma, or ism. Therefore, "theology," which is defined as: "A knowledge of God and the supernatural; religious knowledge and belief, especially when methodically formulated, "should not be confused with "Theological Science."

Theological Science makes no such declaration, being content to state that without proof, or the possibility of proof, the church doctrine, as pure theology, is dogma of a religious nature, and not necessarily logic. Theological Science offers, for logical reasoning, application of principles and, therefore, undeniable proof, the fact that the living individual is able to think and as a thinker may conclude that "I Am!"

Realizing his existence NOW, Here, in what he knows as the Universe, man is able to prove that he lives, and that he lives on earth. Realizing further that he did not create himself, he is able to logically reason on the fact that he must have been created, must have been endowed with Life and, therefore, "Some One," or "Some Thing," must have created and so endowed him. Recognizing others and forms of life about him, he is able to reason on the fact that he is an unit, or entity, among others, or of a number, which he knows as humanity and the lesser kingdoms of animals, plants, elements, and minerals.

After study and investigation he is able to prove that he is but a part of what he knows as an Universe in which are contained and maintained countless other forms which he knows as planets, stars, asteroids, constellations, etc., and he is able to conclude and prove that Whoever or Whatever created the Universe and all things, beings, and creatures therein and thereof, must also be The Sustainer, or maintaining Influence responsible for the equilibrium which is observable and provable.

This method of logical reasoning leads to but one Truth, i.e., that The Creative Principle, in order to sustain and maintain the Creation in infinite balance, MUST be omnipresent, which is to say, everywhere – present – interpenetrating all things and beings in and of the Universe, while permeating the ALL, or Whole, of the Universe at one and the same time, and the Same at every point of Its omnipresence.

Since it is axiomatic (self-evident) that a single entity, or object, or individual, cannot occupy more than one place at one time, it follows that in order to be everywhere present, The Creative Principle, as Sustaining and Maintaining Influence, must be omnipresent as essence, or substance, or spirituality, much the same as the "air" we breathe to live must be omnipresent. Therefore there could not be any place in, nor part of, the Universe from which the sustaining Influence could possibly be

absent, else were that possible, that part from which It might be absent, should be devoid of Its sustaining influence, and a condition of chaos (disorder) might be possible.

Since there is not the slightest evidence of disorder anywhere in the observable Universe, it follows that The Creator, or creative Principle, MUST of a Truth be omnipresent and, therefore, in part or degree WITHIN the living Individual, as well as about him, proving the Truth expressed time and time again by Scholars, Thinkers, Sages, Initiates, and Masters, that "your body is the temple of the 'Holy Spirit' (or part of Omnipotence omnipresent), "or, in other words, that "the kingdom of God is within you." (As see 1st Corinthians 6:19, and Luke 17:21)

Theological Science, then, deliberately reasons, and logically concludes, that within You, the living Individual, You do have your definite part, or degree, of the omnipresent Spirituality of The creative, sustaining, Principle, or Influence, as Your Spirit, or Soul, in the realm of your Mind, and that in order to prove this a Truth in your own life and affairs you have but to THINK it to apply the principle and so demonstrate your ability to "Be, "or "Do," or "Have," whatsoever you desire, regardless of what it may be that you desire to have become manifest in your life and affairs as a fact, or Truth – whether physical health, abundance of possessions, supreme achievement, complete happiness, perfect contentment – the desirable mate, the home of your own, your own business, or professional practice, the position desired, the desired income, courage, poise, tact, memory, personality, beauty of character – in short, the environment, the status, and the condition of your affairs most desirable to you.

And Theological Science further maintains that You, and ONLY You, are the creator of the condition of your own life and affairs from time to time, according to you predominant and habitual mental attitude. O, of course, one may declare, and believe, that other persons, such as family, relatives, friends, neighbors, employers, or fellow employees, or some with whom he comes in contact in the course of his daily affairs, have been largely responsible for his distresses; that he himself has always been careful to remain free from thinking and doing wrong; but upon careful thought and self-examination, he will find that such extraneous influences have been allowed to dominate his thinking and so control his actions and the condition of his life and affairs.

The friend who tells you that you do not look well, or the one who asks: "What have you been doing to yourself? You do not look well at all! You ought to see a doctor;" or the parent, or sister or brother who remarks to another: "You're going to be a lawyer? That's a laugh! You're a dummy! You will never amount to anything? Get yourself a job and stick to it, and be satisfied," more often than not exerts an evil influence which may have lasting erroneous effects.

It is when you can silently ignore all such influencing remarks from others, and refuse to even consider what others may say, even in a light, or jocular, vein, that you emancipate yourself from that horrible mental slavery to which so many deliberately subject themselves by listening, and giving undue attention, to what they hear. The Master is said to have once told a man who was given to excessive worry that what may seem, or appear, to be true, is not always a fact, save as he who is affected may make it a fact in his thinking. "Be not deceived by appearances; appearances are often deceitful. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

A thing, or condition, or person is good ONLY when proved to be so. So with a thought; it is good ONLY when good is its effect or result. There are many persons who will delight in the fact that they are not unduly influenced by others, but who will deliberately erroneously influence their own

affairs by wrong meditation, contemplation, wishing, or hoping. These persons spend a great deal of idle time in idle day-dreaming, wishing, hoping, or just conjuring up idle, fanciful imaginings which affect, or influence, their later actions. This is a form of mental dissipation and, therefore, a form of mental slavery in which they hold themselves bound to idle, careless, unproductive mentations.

I say this form of careless thinking is unproductive, but I mean that it is not productive of good, desirable results. It is, however, productive of the very worst results for the reason that being conscious mentation, or thought, it affects the Sub-conscious by impression, which can mean only destructive impression and, therefore, a weak, unreliable, faulty source of Memory and intuitive reasoning ability. To understand the Power of Thought as a creative energy which every living individual expresses, let us consider WHAT Thought is, WHAT It CAN do, and HOW we CAN, if we will, control this powerful energy for desirable results.

Let us see, first, the definition given to the term "Thought," in Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, which is an accepted authority: (1) "Thought: act, or process of thinking; reflection; cogitation. (2) Reasoning power; capacity to think and judge. (3) The power to conceive or realize; conception; imagination. (4) That which is thought; specifically (a) That which is in one's mind; (b) A product of thinking; an idea, judgment, opinion, notion, fancy, or the like. (c) The views, principles, or systems, of a specified age, race, or school of thinkers; as, 'in modern thought.' (5) Solicitous attention; serious consideration; heed; as, 'give it no thought.' (6) Mental preoccupation; engrossment of mind. (7) A little; a trifle."

With all due respect to genius, obviously the foregoing does not define, nor explain, Thought, regardless of what scholars may say of it. At the risk of appearing offensive, I refuse to be influenced by vague terms or definitions, regardless of who may have made such statements. In my seeming audacity, I prefer to define words or terms according to my own proved findings. I like to define Thought as "a conscious ability to express Mind, as the energy of Mind-in-motion; a nervous rate of vibration activated by conscious attention to a given subject in Mind. A spiritual power with which the individual has been endowed by reason of his mental recognition of the living individual's spiritual-mental at-one-ment with Omniscience omnipresent."

The dictionary defines "Mind" in many different ways, such as "Memory; recollection, or "That which one thinks" or The subject of Consciousness that which feels, perceives, wills, thinks, etc. The Perceptive and thinking part of consciousness, exclusive of will and emotion. The conscious element or factor in the universe; spirit, intelligence, contrasted with 'matter'. One's capacity for mental activity.

Let us consider "Mind" as "The Supreme Intelligence in existence; or The Infinite, omnipresent as Cosmic Mind; or the realm of Spirit; or that state, or phase, of being which enables the living individual to be conscious of, recognize, and act upon the Universal and express It into manifestation by vibration because of the Oneness of The Infinite – not only in the Universe, but IN all things, creatures, and beings in and of the Universe."

It will be obvious, then, that because man is in and of the Universe he must be One with the Universe and all things therein and thereof. Therefore man is IN the spiritual realm of The Infinite Mind Which, because of Its spiritual omnipresence MUST be IN man. For this reason the individual has been endowed with the attributes of The Infinite of Which he is a part. This is true because a part of anything must be same in kind and quality as The Whole of Which it is a part; the only difference, if any, being

one of degree. Therefore according to the degree of ability of the individual to recognize and understand his true degree of ability to act upon and express That Power and Intelligence with Which he is spiritually-mentally One. That Power we know as Infinite Mind.

Therein lies the Mystery of "humility," which The Master demonstrated and taught so effectively. He who imagines himself consciously erudite and capable often ignorantly compels distress in his affairs simply because he has failed to make use of, and direct, his innate, inherent, inner Power Which is so much greater, and so infinitely beyond the realm of his own conscious capacity and ability. Instead of constantly imagining that because of conscious education and training he is capable of making his own way, he would enjoy a greater degree of success in all avenues of life – whether in health, mental ability and power, achievement, acquisition, contentment – if he but learned HOW to "seek first the kingdom of God" within himself.

By this is meant that because man is physically and mentally the temple, or dwelling place, of The Infinite Spirituality omnipresent, he has within his own capacities direct at-one-ment with All Power and Intelligence. By Power is meant the degree of expression of infinite Force by which he may develop the personal ability to "Be," or "Do," or "Have" whatever he may desire. By Intelligence is meant the degree of ability to recognize the Truth of the Mystery of his own individual at-one-ment with The creative, sustaining universal "Mind," or Omnipresence, by which he may develop the ability to draw upon, act upon, direct and control That innate, inherent, inner Omniscience Which is his to express and manifest in life.

This Power may be observed in the animal, the plant, the mineral. The flower, the tomato, the potato, the tree, does not create itself; it is developed within the dark recesses of the (elemental) earth, in silence, for the development of its material form. Its spiritual, or mental, form is WITHIN the seed and, therefore, within the material plant. That Which endows the bird with sense to build a nest and propograte itself is within the bird as well as omnipresent. That Which endows the animal with similar abilities may also by the Same "Mind" Which provides the instinct to kill and eat its prey. That Which silently "urges" the human individual – from within – to renounce the conscious desire to act erroneously, and guides him in the correct way to express himself, may be called "intuition," or "the still, small Voice," or "Conscience," but "a rose by any other name would smell as sweet," and the name means nothing; understanding of The Inner Power and Intelligence is All.

That Infinite Power and Intelligence has been called by many and various names, all of which has made for confusion, rather than for understanding which "is the principal thing," as the King once said. But by whatever name, the fact remains that The Infinite, Supreme Presence-Power and Intelligence in and of the Universe, responsible for the creation as well as the sustenance and maintenance of the Creation and all things and beings therein and thereof must be The Source of All Power and All Intelligence, and whether It flows into and through the human individual, the animal, the plant, the element, or the ether, It alone is The Supreme Presence-Power.

Man's recognition of the Truth (known as one of the Mysteries) that within IS a very definite part, or degree, of That Infinite intelligence and Power, makes of him a channel – which means a Thinker – for the expression of his own innate, inherent, inner Power and Intelligence. When he gets away from His Source (as in conscious ignorance) he denies himself That Infinite Power and Expressive Intelligence. All that is left to him is his own consciousness of error, which in itself is ignorance, because there is not such condition in all of the Universe (except in the consciousness of man) as error.

The Infinite is neither good, nor bad; It simply Is! It is the individual's expression of The Infinite, which results in the condition known as good, or bad.

The study and contemplation of the Mystery of Life (The Universal Infinite Source) proves the infallibility and immutability of the creative and sustaining nature of The Infinite or, as man is pleased to say, God and the Infinite expression in the form of the observable, measurable Law of Cause and Effect. The earth is proof of the Law; revolving on its axis, while rotating on its orbit, there is NEVER any deviation, nor is there the slightest evidence of disorder in all of the observable Universe, with the countless planets, stars, worlds, constellations, asteroids, and other bodies in existence. Perfect order is the rule in and of the observable Universe which is operated, sustained and maintained as the majestic magnificence of the Cosmos.

What if some planet, or star, or comet, suddenly ignored The Infinite Omnipresence and decided to "handle its own affairs"? We should then observe precisely such a condition in its field of affairs as we see in the distress of so many humans. But the sustained universal body, like the plant, the bird, the animal and the element, is acted upon, operated, sustained and, therefore, continues on its Way in The Light of The Infinite. A most remarkable Man once said – "I AM The Way and The Light. No man cometh unto the 'Father' (unto the sustaining Source within) save through Me (meaning the 'I' Which He tried to represent for purposes of enlightenment of His disciples)."

That "I" Which is The Real You – the spiritual Being Which is within your body, as Mind in the realm of Spirit, or Spirit in the realm of Mind (as you please) IS That part, or degree, of The Infinite Which IS IN your body. It is That to Which Paul referred when He said, "What? Know you not that your body is the temple of The Holy Spirit, Which is IN you, Which you have of (from) God (The Infinite Omnipresence), and you are NOT your own?" It is exactly What The Christ referred to when He told the Pharisees, as may be seen in **Luke 17:21** – "Behold, the kingdom of God is WITHIN you."

The great success of every one of our Fellow Members in Theological Science lies in his or her ability to become consciously humble in the presence of That Inner Infinite Being Which is his or her own Being, or Reality. In other words, the developed ability to become constantly conscious of the Truth that "I' AM that 'I' and, therefore, capable of any and every possibility and impossibility imaginable, endows one with a transcendent Power and Intelligence superior to anything, anybody, or any place in his or her existence. The Secret of Power is in the recognition and appreciation of the possession of Power.

A story tells of a foolish king who once gazed at himself in a mirror and while looking he suddenly spoke, saying, almost inaudibly: "My, O, My! What a wonderful man I am! King over millions of subjects who would go out and fight and die for me. Millions of people who not only support me and keep me in wealth, luxuries, and at ease, but steadily contribute to my fortune. Millions to whom my word is absolute law. Courtiers, servants and flunkies who attend and care for me. I am king of most of the earth; wealthy beyond imagination; powerful beyond question, and I am the most brilliant man of all my realm. What a mighty man I am!

At first reading of the story we may be apt to smile at the implied gross ignorance of the king, but was he "foolish"? Why, You yourself may gaze into a mirror any time and think the same. When you think to do so, try it. Stand before a mirror and look at your reflection. Think, then, "My, O, My! What a wonderful Being "I" AM. King over millions and millions of cells of this body which is My

realm, because 'I' CAN command any and every cell to do my conscious Will. In fact, I do that very thing every day. I tell those cells when they will become foolish and act contrary to the Law of Cause and Effect, and make my body ill. Millions of minute blood corpuscles coursing through my vascular system and heart, and I am able to consciously order them to harden my arteries when I fear that condition which I have read, or heard about and become fearful that it might happen to me.

"Millions of tiny cells which make up my wonderful liver, kidneys, spleen, pancreas, intestinal tract, which I am able to consciously order to become affected erroneously when I hear about, or learn about, what is called "cirrhosis" of the liver (about which I never knew before); or what is called "constipation," which I myself develop because I prefer to "eat with my eyes," rather than with my intelligence and requirements. All these wonderful "subjects" of mine go out and fight and die for me every day (as see metabolic action); millions of subjects who support me and keep me in wealth (the wealth of health), the luxury of well-being, and at ease from aches and pains, and steadily contribute to my fortune. And to all these millions of subjects (in the realm of my mentality and body) my "Word" is absolute Law. When I tell them I fear a cold, they compel a cold and lay me up; when I tell them (in my conscious ignorance) that I fear heart disease, they produce heart disease. When I tell how grateful I AM to my 'Father' for this wealth of Life and Light Which is IN me, they all rush madly to overcome all error, by nauseating me in the presence of wrong foods, liquors, excessive tobacco habits, dissipation, or other act which would mitigate against their entire well-being.

"'I' AM, indeed, 'King of most of the earth, and could be king of all of it, if I would; 'I' AM king of a wonderful realm beyond imagination; powerful in Thought and Will beyond question; and were I but ever mindful of My great Power in my spiritual at-one-ment with Him, or That, Which is The Infinite WITHIN me, I should be the most brilliant man alive. What a mighty man, or woman, Thou hast made of Me, Father! But what a fool I am for refusing, or failing, to BE That 'I' AM in all my Ways!"

Think it over! Your doctor will tell you that the foods you eat nourish you or kill you. What he means to say is that the foods you eat "contain the elements of which your body is composed," and it is NOT the food, nor even the combinations of food which you eat, BUT the combined elemental values which you consume to replenish what your body and your millions of "subjects" have used up in trying to maintain physical balance and health. Stop eating foolishly and live. That means stop THINKING to eat erroneously, and enjoy health and happiness.

Stop allowing yourself to entertain, or create destructive thoughts – or ideas, or imaginings – whether you hear them from another, or create them in your conscious carelessness. Control your Thoughts – every one of them. When someone offers a wrong, or destructive, or disparaging, or humiliating, or belittling suggestion – or even when one who is not a graduate physician offers a remedy, or advice about health – ignore the remarks -- refuse to allow anyone to "get into" your private "temple of your Soul." Be always watchful of what anybody else tells you, or advises, or suggests.

And when you are reading, even this, challenge every statement; think carefully of the sentence, the paragraph; refuse to accept it as a truth until you have logically reasoned on it; then make a note of it and go to another source for corroboration, or verification, or substantiation. "Prove all things, hold fast that which is Good." Simply because you have read somewhere, or may have heard some imagined authority, make a statement about a "hell" in the next plane of existence, doesn't mean that it is so.

It merely means that the writer, or speaker, "believes" it to be so, and there is a wide difference between Knowledge and "belief."

What living individual knows anything about "God"? Who God is, or may be; or Where God is, or may be? Who knows anything about what is, or may be, after this earth-plane existence? The only one with authority enough to tell you anything, or something, about Life, God, or The Infinite, or "death," or a next plane of existence, is One Who having proved what He says, is able to furnish details by which you may also prove Truth for yourself. And the ONLY actual reason for wanting Knowledge of God, or The Infinite, lies in the desire to either comply with Divine Law, or to plead with The Infinite for salvation, or to try to so live as to make others KNOW what you have found the Secret of the true Life and want them to enjoy what you have. In any event, it is an attitude of selfishness. It is an I, Me, Mine, attitude. "I come first; all others may be first after me."

The real reason for a Knowledge of Self is the desire to "Be," and "Do," and "Have," whatsoever shall prove to be good, useful, and productive of successful accomplishment. In seeking Knowledge of Self it is impossible to begin with Me, for I did not create me; I, therefore, must have been created; and, therefore, what Knowledge I acquire about and endowed Me with the faculties by which I may seek to Know Him, or That, Which created and sustains Me, as all things else. This, too is selfishness.

My actual desire, then, should be the alchemical change which was wrought by the ancient alchemists: to come to the ability to transmute the base metal (lead) into the highest, most valuable (gold). To put it in easily understood phraseology, my great desire should be the personally developed ability to transmute (change) my base "lead" of "selfishness" into the "gold" Selflessness, and this I accomplish when I KNOW MY SELF.

Man comes into life "clothed" in the Sun (the Light of the world); and his nature is influenced by the Moon and the signs of the zodiac; and the twelve crowns on her head are the twelve signs of the Zodiac, or "Ways to Life," which influence every living person and creature, according to the birth sign. One thing, in passing, man has not learned as yet; that animals are affected by birth signs, just as are humans. I explained this to a man once who seemed to enjoy attending horse races and even placing wagers on the abilities of the animals to win. That man, name Earl Norman, lived in Canada, but traveled much in the United States. Thereafter he would try to learn the birthdate of the animals in which he was interested, and he would then study the influencing planets and signs at the time of the race, and he never lost a wager thereafter. He told me so on several occasions. Farmers ought to keep records of the birthdate of animals, so as to know and understand them.

If you ever have to deal with individuals, whether to employ them, or supervise them, or to sell to them, or in any other way have dealings, be sure that you know your individual by learning of the date and time of birth and the influences affecting him or them at the time you intend to deal. The average unsuccessful salesman, or executive, who imagines that he knows how to sell, or command, could become the "wonder" in his field of activity if he but knew about the "chart" which the Infinite has made of every living thing and being in existence (Rev. Chapters 21 &22).

There is but ONE stipulation: Selflessness! Be selfish enough to deal with your fellow man for your own benefit, and you must surely lose. But deal with him for his benefit, and you cannot lose if you try. His benefit becomes also your benefit, whereas your benefit denies to him the enjoyment of what

you sought and took from him. In this there is no gain. Many foolish salesmen sell their products with the thought of the commissions they will secure; rarely, if ever, with the thought of the honest profits and increased patronage of the dealer to whom they sell; and in this they sow the seeds of self-destruction. How can they win?

Let me admonish you that until you have attained the ability marked by Self-mastery, do not depend upon what you imagine you know; depend upon, lean upon, seek guidance from, and be guided by, your inner Source, or Mind, upon Which you may easily draw by simply expecting It to come through to your Consciousness with infallible counsel, advice, guidance, direction, and suggestion in all your Ways, in every activity of your life. You will not have to know all there is to know about Self, The Infinite, or even your spiritual and mental at-one-ment. You can, as did the famed Aladdin, simply "rub the lamp" and your Genii (Intuition) will arise, ready to grant your every wish. You "rub the lamp" when you pause in thought – no matter what the thought may be, no matter what you are hearing, no matter what you are thinking to do – and silently aver (which means to affirm confidently): "'I' thank You Father for Your care and guidance." This thought draws upon your omni-conscious Source, and compels "Intuition".

That is all? You ask, perhaps. Yes; that is all you need to do in order to open the "door" between your Consciousness and your Father's Kingdom (your Omni-consciousness). You see, when you thus pause in Thought, and "expect" guidance as to the truth or falsity of your conscious consideration, you might imagine that you open a connecting door between Consciousness and Sub-consciousness, and then "step into" Sub-consciousness, closing the door between that and the Consciousness behind you; when the door between Sub-conscious and Omni-consciousness is then opened and The 'Father' 'stands revealed.' See Revelation 3:20. Behold 'I' stand at the door and knock, etc."

Why ask for anything which you can create in Thought? You turn to your inner Source much as you turn to a dictionary, or an encyclopedia, but with the greater assurance that your inner Source is Infallibility. You do not ask; you affirm your understanding of The Law and demonstrate that you are positive that your "Father Which sees in secret (in Mind) WILL reward (answer) you openly." Does that seem to be simple? It is the simplest Truth imaginable. All you need to do is TRY it.

Remember this: He who tries to walk alone has no one, nor thing, but himself. He who walks with his Father, and KNOWS that he walks with his Father, is NEVER alone. One might imagine that the attitude of humility makes for weakness, but you will learn that such a statement is error, if for no other reason than that it requires great courage and faith to be humble to want to walk with and depend upon your Father WITHIN. And in walking with your Father you will be aware of increasing strength and ability.

When you awaken from sleep, at mid-day, at sunset, and just before lapsing into sleep, you will do will do well to "tell your Father that you KNOW you are not alone." "I thank You Father that You have heard me, and I KNOW You hear me, and care for me, always, in all my ways. I thank You Father for Your care and guidance of me and mine." "And thy Father Which heareth in secret will reward thee openly."

My thanks for your being with me. I hope our chat has been helpful; I am sure it will be as our theme is implanted into "The Secret Place of the Most High" (your Sub-conscious). Do not be disturbed

at what you read in the newspapers, and hear via radio and television. The world is the same world which has always been; only men have gone mad. But all will right itself because Omnipotence has demonstrated, so often, that The Law has a way of righting all things; and after the masses have been crushed beneath the iron heel of despotism they will suddenly rise up out of the muck and the slime of serfdom and begin to think for themselves. Then will they rid themselves of the evil ones who order wars and the death of our sons; and who seek to control us, instead of lead us into "greener pastures."

Do not act on a thought until you have first been guided by your inner Source or Intuition. No matter what may be, not matter how much of a hurry you imagine your may be in, no matter who urges you to decide quickly; "sleep on a decision" if need be. Do not make a decision UNTIL you have been directed by your inner Source.

Do not walk alone; do not work alone; do nothing alone. Think, live, and act always in the assurance and faith that your Father is with you – within you – and you are never alone. And, if the Sun, Moon, and all other bodies in the Universe have been willingly sustained and directed by The Infinite, why not You? Thy Faith hath made thee whole. My thanks again and going to you now, as every day, are my good wishes and love,

Your servant and friend, Hugh Greer Carruthers - B-11