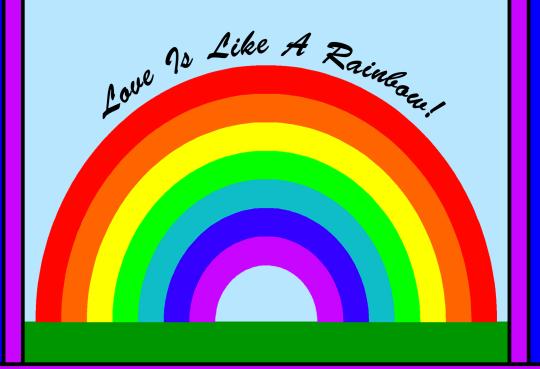
## The Spiritual Nature Of The Sentient Human Being

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This book is intended for the person who wants to obtain a better understanding of mankind's spiritual nature. In turn, this will also guide the reader to a better understanding of the social, psychological and spiritual forces that affect a person's life. The reader is then strongly encouraged to use this enhanced understanding of life to improve their inner well being, and thus become a positive, proactive and optimistic life-entity and life-force. The book is written from two perspectives: (1) first from the perspective of a Democracian who is firmly planted in the most precious Freedom of Religion, and (2) second from the perspective of a spiritualist (versus a religionist) whose faith is based upon three spiritual tenets of belief.

God is.
God is love.
God is perfect love.

If the reader finds value from this book, then the reader would probably enjoy other books written by the author. Let us pursue together the Art of Loving and Living.

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## Love is never an accidental occurrence!

Love is the result of a living process associated with an inner personal choice. Love requires birth, nurturing and instructions. What comes first is a mysterious variable.

For some people love is born as a result of the loving examples of parental nurturing.

For some other people love is born as a result of intellectual instructions.

And then for some people love is born as a result of an unknown source, a truly spiritual mystery.

But for all people who truly love, love is cultivated and sustained as a result of an inner personal decision to love.

And that decision to love is delicately intertwined with a deeply heartfelt willful desire to love.

Love is then actively nurtured by the daily affirmation, commitment and recommitment to love. Only in this manner is love always and forever.

What is love? How do you communicate love? Are you willing to be an Advocate of Love? Let us stop and think, reflect and ponder in the pursuit of a factual and meaningful answer.

## Love's Great Mission

To every person in every nation, let us teach the principles of love.

## Everybody Needs Love!

Our gracious and benevolent Creator's perfect love is the most incredible, beautiful and awesome spectacle you can possibly behold. It delights the heart, uplifts the spirit, and consoles the weary soul. And everybody needs love! It doesn't matter if you're male or female, or if you're a bigender person or a unigender person. Everybody needs love! It doesn't matter if you're a blue-collar worker, a white-collar worker, or if you work at all, and it certainly doesn't matter if vou're rich or poor. Furthermore, it doesn't matter if you're old or young, or if you're in good health or poor health. Everybody must have love! It also doesn't matter what color your skin is or what nationality you are. And it surely doesn't matter if you're beautiful or ordinary, or if you're skinny or obese, or if you're highly intelligent or intellectually challenged. Everybody still needs to be loved! You could be a spiritualist, a religionist, a theist or an atheist, and you could have the mind of a criminal or the mind of an angel. You still need the beauty and power of love! And it surely doesn't matter if you're a Jew, a Muslim, a Hindu, a Buddhist, a Christian, a Baptist, a Methodist, a Catholic, or any other manmade religion, sect or denomination. **Everybody** needs love, and that especially includes you and me!

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## A Sincerely Cheerful Greeting!

May the reader find value and meaning from my personal thoughts and reflections recorded in this book. The true topic of this book is love; that is, True-Love and also what I sometimes call Cosmic Love. When you pursue the truth regarding the spiritual nature of mankind, then you ultimately discover the essence and nature of True-Love. Likewise, when you study the nature and essence of personhood – that is, the soul of a human being – then you also discover the essence and nature of True-Love. But here's the stumbling block. You can't really understand love until you first have secured an understanding of mankind's spiritual nature and the nature of personhood.

Collectively, mankind is called "the Children of Humanity," and individually we are called "sentient human beings." The word "sentient" can be used as an adjective or as a noun. As an adjective, the word "sentient" means: (1) having power of perception by the senses; and (2) characterized by sensation. As a noun, the word "sentient" means: (1) one who or that which is sentient; and (2) the conscious mind. It's noted that the sentient nature is addressed as sentient senses and sentient powers, and the most powerful sentient sense is the sense of **spiritual intuition**. While there are many people who reject this great truth, many more people tenaciously embrace this great truth. As for me, this is my personal experience. "Seek the truth and you shall find the truth, and then the truth shall set you free." From this mysterious endeavor – and when the endeavor is sincerely pursued – the sentient human being creates his or hers personal models of God and Personhood. What is your personal model of God, and what is your personal model of personhood? The goal of this little book is to assist the reader to form these two very important models.

If you actually read this book, then you will have accomplished a truly admirable task. This is especially true in light of the fact that the book is written by a daily citizen and not a professional writer. I'm not in the business of psychology, theology, sociology, political science, or any other social science which is usually the background source for this type of book. In fact, I'm the son of a professional sailor, where the son is much saltier

than the old Chief. I'm blue collar by birth and white collar by education and occupation. I have feed, clothed and supported my family by the occupation of electrical engineer. And engineers are widely known for their inability to spell correctly, to write correctly, and to explain themselves in a clear and understandable manner.

My only credentials that qualify me to write this book are these. I've been happily married for over four decades, and I've only been married once. I've been a father of three for over three and one-half decades. I've been a grandfather of three for almost one and one-half decades. And I have a total life-experience of over six decades. And please believe me! A long life-experience really does matter! In addition, I should also let you know that I'm known to my family, friends and co-workers to be a rascal. Sometimes I may go too far and become the mischievous rascal, thus embarrassing myself, my children, my friends, strangers, and much too often my lovely wife. But most of the time I'm just the jovial rascal adding a little fun to the daily life. I like to think I'm adding color and warmth to our gray and cold world. I also deeply believe our world needs much more laughter and many more smiles. To me personally, life is to be sincerely appreciated and celebrated whenever and wherever possible. Sharing friendship and humor is a significant part of celebrating life. But you can't really celebrate life if you don't dance, especially to dance to the old Rock & Roll music. Does your mama dance and does your daddy Rock & Roll? Let's raise an ice cold mug of beer and drink to a good cheer. "To love and life, to family and friends, and to the ethereal pleasures derived from those you love and from those who love you!"

By virtue of you reading this book means you have a personal interest to learn more about love and life. I believe this is a very admirable attribute. The world needs all the Advocates of Love (AoL) we can gather. To be an AoL is not easy but it does create an abundance of selfless rewards. True-love is self rewarding, and this truth confuses many people. Furthermore, you should love as though your spiritual life depends upon it, because it does. Ultimately, love isn't everything. It's the only thing!

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Now, let this point be very clear. I'm not a counselor, or a therapist, or a minister, or any other type of professionally trained soul doctor, that being a person who's trained and certified in the use of psychological methods for helping patients overcome emotional and psychological problems. In writing this book, I'm simply expressing my personal beliefs in the hopes the reader will stop, think, reflect and ponder about what I've written. I profess to be a <u>facilitator of love</u>; that is, a person who advocates the exercise of true-love and who tries to make the principles of true-love easier to understand, to recognize, and to exercise. Also, know this. I've written the book in the manner of one daily citizen talking to another daily citizen. This book is a one-on-one cordial chat between two friends; and in the end, I hope we become two good friends.

I hope the reader finds meaning and satisfaction in reading this book. May the reader choose to be an AoL and help fulfill Love's Great Mission. The sincerity of my love I give to all my sentient sisters and brothers.

HSG to all!

Reid Collier

## Part 1

## **Preliminary Concepts About Truth And Love**

## **First Reflections**

This book is about the pursuit of truth which leads to the understanding of love. I'm talking about the "real truth" which I call "The Cosmic Truth." Love is as complex and confusing as it's desirable and powerful. Subsequently, discerning The Cosmic Truth about Cosmic Love is a significant challenge. What is The Cosmic Truth about Cosmic Love, and how do I convince you I know this great truth? For myself, I know the path of truth is paved with critical doubt, and all my assertions are but reasons to doubt me. How do you discern the difference between the biased and self-serving opinions of a self-deceived demagogue versus the wise and truthful counsel of a noble sage? History has proven demagogues can appear to be very wise, sincere and convincing in the short-term; but in the long-term these demagogues lead their followers to their doom. Ultimately, you must seek The Cosmic Truth for yourself, actively seeking the longterm effects as well as the short-term effects. For my own part, I only promise you the sincerity of my love and the gentle convictions of my heart. Meanwhile, I believe you'll find great value in what I have to share.

In your personal endeavor to pursue and find The Cosmic Truth – that is, the real truth and nothing but the truth – I only ask one thing of you. In the intentional process of formulating your beliefs, exercise the following methodology.

## The Truth-Seeker's Methodology

- 1. Ensure your beliefs are as objective as possible.
- 2. Ensure your beliefs are reasonable, sensible, rational and logical.
- 3. Ensure your beliefs are compatible and consistent.
- 4. Ensure your beliefs are sincere and genuine.
- 5. Ensure your beliefs enhance life and not impair life.

Please read and ponder carefully what I share with you. After all, it just might bring meaning, understanding and happiness into your life. And it just might bring peace, order and harmony into an otherwise chaotic existence. So, if you're truly willing, then prepare yourself for serious reflections. To understand love and life you must first stop and think, reflect and ponder. Remember the Wiseman who warned us: "An unexamined life is not worth living." Life is not easy, and if you want to understand the meaning, value and purpose of life, then you must discipline yourself for The Great Quest for Understanding. Commit your mind and spirit to the challenging quest of uncovering love's elementary principles and to understanding life's meaning, value and purpose. This is truly a journey of the soul, thus reflecting the essence of your inner person, your inner spiritual yearnings, and your ethereal nature. Herein now, let us begin the journey. Ponder and reflect wisely upon the following reflections about true-love. But before we proceed with The Spiritual Nature Of The Sentient Human Being, there are some fundamental concepts that first need to be addressed and understood

## Primordial Concepts About Truth and Antitruth

<u>Truth</u>: The truth shall set you free. Truth is a verifiable and indisputable fact, idea, ideal, principle, concept, condition, experience, or other similar state of reality, thus revealing the Realities of Reality of the Cosmos. By personal convention, I use the phrase "The Cosmic Truth" to designate "that which is truly-true." Those who pursue the truth and embrace the truth to the best of their ability are known as "the People of the Truth."

Antitruth: The antitruth shall enslave you. That which is "not-true" is called antitruth. Antitruth can be either a direct opposite of truth or an indirect opposite of truth. Antitruth is also the distortion of truth, the deviation of truth, the opposition to truth, and the contrast of truth. Antitruth conceals the Realities of Reality. Those who evade the truth, distort the truth, or deviate from the truth are known as "the People of the Lie."

First, I want to explain the meaning of the word "primordial" as I'm now using it. The word "primordial" means: "constituting a beginning; giving origin to something derived or developed; original; and elementary." All lessons about life should always begin with a deep-seated and heartfelt desire to know all original and elementary truths about life. In other words, the meaning, value and purpose of life begin with the sincere and internalized desire to know The Cosmic Truth. The Cosmic Truth is out there somewhere, and as a sentient human being, it's your personal responsibility to find it. Seek and you shall find. Furthermore, truth can be objective or subjective, and can occur in many shades of gray. The personal perceptions of truth can be as variable as the waves upon the oceans. In spite of the immense difficulties of "truth-seeking," sentient human beings have consistently and reverently sought that which mankind calls "selfevident truths." But beware! Some people are willing to die for what they personally perceive to be The Cosmic Truth, even if you personally perceive this "so called Cosmic Truth" to be Cosmic Antitruth. This we know for

sure. Properly perceiving The Cosmic Truth, especially "The Cosmic Spiritual Truth," is the greatest challenge of the sentient human experience. Emphatically speaking, you must consistently discern truth and antitruth in order to live a happy, joyful and fulfilling life.

Antitruth is the antithesis of truth." The word "antithesis" means "opposition; contrast; the direct opposite." In addition, antitruth has a twin brother whose name is "Hypocrisy." Hypocrisy is the personification of a living lie. In addition, antitruth may occur intentionally or unintentionally. Consequently, the truth-seeker must wield a two edge sword – one edge to wisely discern and embrace the truth and the other edge to defend against the deceit and foolishness of antitruth. And of course, antitruth is most devastating when it's intentionally used in a malicious and malevolent manner

## Primordial Concepts About Love and Antilove

**Love**: As a basic perspective, **love** is the active concern for the well-being of another person, or corporeal entity, or celestial entity, thus demonstrating the lover's embracing affirmation of life and creation. Love is always active in its nature. There's no such thing as passive love. The corporeal entity includes animals, especially pets. The celestial entity includes mankind's Creator and loved ones who have already departed earth and entered the world-to-come. By personal convention, I use the phrase "**Cosmic Love**" to designate "true, sincere and genuine love," which I also abbreviated as "TSG Love."

<u>Antilove</u>: As a basic perspective, antilove is the passive or active degradation or depravation of the well-being of another person, or corporeal entity, or celestial entity, thus demonstrating the antilover's rejection and assault upon life and creation. Note that antilove can be either passive or active.

The happiness, joy and fulfillment of life begin with the sincere, internalized desire to love. Love is never an accidental occurrence. Truly, love is the very basis of all that's good and beautiful in our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator's Cosmos. In our Cosmos there is "love," but there is also "that which is not-love." That which is "not-love" is called "antilove." Antilove is also "the antithesis of love." In their foundational forms, love is selflessness while antilove is selfishness. Antilove is also synonymous with fear. Antilove is fear, and fear is antilove. An enlightened heart filled with genuine love is easy to discern because it's consistently patient and kind while it actively pursues peaceful harmony. A black heart filled with antilove is easy to discern because it's consistently impatient and mean while it aggressively creates discord and distress. It's also noted the heart of love is free-will while the heart of antilove is domination and the lust for social power. Even a passive antilover seeks to dominate, control and command other people. It's also very important to realize you must understand the concepts of antilove in order to better understand the concepts of true-love.

While the intent of love always focuses upon the well-being of another person, antilove creates the "degradation" and "depravation" of another person. I define "degradation" as: the act of reducing or lowering in character or quality. I define "depravation" as: the act of making something bad or worse, or the act of corrupting. In addition, both love and antilove are exercised consciously and subconsciously. A person may not be aware when they exercise love versus antilove. And of course, love and antilove are also subjectively perceived by the person who is the object of affection (in the case of love) or the object of animosity (in the case of antilove). The consequences of love can range from insignificant to cosmically important while the consequences of antilove can range from insignificant to cosmically devastating. Emphatically speaking, you must discern love and antilove in order to live a happy, joyful and fulfilling life.

Everyone exercises love and antilove. The greatest and wisest lover will have a moment of weakness at which point an act of antilove falls upon another person, even a person who is deeply loved. Fatigue makes antilovers of us all, and a physical illness or a condition of non-wellness

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(such as a cold, a headache, or the discomforts of a woman's menstrual cycle) makes everyone prone to antilove. We're all imperfect human beings, and everyone is subject to the weaknesses of the terrestrial body and mind. Thus, everyone needs forgiveness, redemption and reconciliation. Sincere, genuine love provides understanding that quickly leads to forgiveness. The truth is everyone needs to love, and everyone needs to be loved. This includes even the most notorious antilovers. However, antilovers exercise limited acts of genuine love. Antilovers exercise acts of conditional love and selective love, but nevertheless, antilovers can sincerely exercise true, genuine love that focuses upon the well-being of the person loved. Now, here's the point to consider. What ethereal force dominates your life, the ethereal force of love or the ethereal force of antilove? What is your reflective answer? And is your answer the same as those people who are an active part of your life?

## Part 2

## **Mankind's Celestial Nature**

Truly and surely, there are many concepts and details of love and life that must be uncovered, recognized, evaluated, analyzed, and determined if they're the truth. If they are the truth, then they must be accepted and embraced. And hopefully we'll eventually learn if these "believed truths" are The Cosmic Truth. From my personal journey in the pursuit of truth and love, I've learned this great paradigm: "Truth and love resonate within the spirit and soul, providing comfort and sanctuary, meaning and value, purpose and understanding, and most importantly, personal happiness, satisfaction and fulfillment." But of course, this paradigm can only be embraced if you first believe you have a spirit and a soul. Do you personally believe you have a spirit and a soul?

## The First Question of Life

Take a moment and reflect upon the most basic and fundamental element of life. This reflection is actually the first crossroads of life's challenging journey, and it leads you to the first question of life. With a deep and soulful reflection, what do you think is the First Question of Life? Based upon my soulful reflections, here is my personal First Question of Life.

## **The First Question of Life**

### Is there a spiritual realm to life?

Your personal paradigms are intrinsically linked to your personal answer to the First Question of Life. Furthermore, your personal answer is based upon your personal beliefs, and not upon your personal knowledge. Meanwhile, mankind's collective answer to the First Question of Life

divides the world into two groups – the spiritualist and the non-spiritualist. However, I personally prefer to identify these two groups as **celestians** and **terrestrians**. Here's a brief overview of these two groups.

## **A General Description of Celestians**

This discussion concerns the simple, general attributes of the celestian. However, it's noted there are righteous, moral celestians, and there are also unrighteous, immoral celestians. And I should also note that it can be very difficult to discern the righteous, moral celestians from the unrighteous, immoral celestians. But this we know for sure. True-love abides in the heart of the righteous, moral celestian while pseudo-love abides in the heart of the unrighteous, immoral celestian.

A "celestian" is a person who believes in the celestial element of life. The word "celestial" means "pertaining to the spiritual." Accordingly, a celestian adamantly believes life has a spiritual realm which is associated with mankind's Creator, heaven and the afterlife. The human concepts of God, heaven and the afterlife vary greatly, and the individual beliefs of how one becomes a heaven dweller can be a degradation and depravation upon others. Just remember, this is a simple, general discussion of the righteous, moral celestian. Celestians are theists who trust in mankind's Creator, believe mankind is created as an act of an intelligent design by the Creator, believe mankind is subject to Divine Law, and believe all sentient human beings are created equal – this being a self-evident truth. Celestians are known as the Children of Hope, the People of Faith, and rainbow dwellers. Celestians are also associated with the ethereal elements of hope, faith and love. As a celestian, you're never alone and isolated within the massive, cold and lonely Cosmos. A celestian always has the graceful, benevolent and loving companionship of the Divine Spirit; that is, the Holy Mother Spirit. Celestians believe life is a personal gift from their Creator, and each

individual is personally responsible and accountable for the returned value of the Creator's gift. The essence of sentient life is the Creator's gift to you. Your decision to be an Advocate of Love is your gift to the Creator.

Now, here's a celestial element that should be exceedingly clear. While all religionists are spiritualists, not all spiritualists are religionists. There are no requirements that a celestian has to be affiliated with a world religion and any of their beliefs, doctrines and dogmas. In addition, a person who professes to be a celestian may or may not be loving, moral, tolerant and self-disciplined. Just because a person believes mankind has a Creator doesn't guarantee the person abides in love; that is, true-love. You must always be aware of religious celestians who are unrighteous and immoral. Mankind's history contains many chapters of sad and bloody stories of loveless celestians who literally created hell on earth. Always beware of the violent fanatic, but especially beware of the violent religious fanatic. It's also noted mankind's history contains many stories of celestians who lived their entire lives in loving service to their Creator and their fellow sentient human beings. Lastly, the celestian has five important Questions of Life.

## The Celestian's First Five Questions Of Life

- 1. Is there a spiritual realm to life? (The answer is "yes" by proposition.)
- 2. Does mankind really have a Creator?
- 3. Is mankind's Creator the manifestation of love, thereby loving all His children, including His wayward children as well as His obedient children?
- 4. Do you truly, sincerely and genuinely love your Creator and your fellow sentient human beings?
- 5. Where will your mind dwell at your moment of your physical death?

## **A General Description of Terrestrians**

This discussion concerns the simple, general attributes of the terrestrian. However, it's noted there are righteous, moral terrestrians, and there are also unrighteous, immoral terrestrians. And I should also note that it can be very difficult to discern the righteous, moral terrestrians from the unrighteous, immoral terrestrians. But this we know for sure. True-love abides in the heart of the righteous, moral terrestrian while pseudo-love abides in the heart of the unrighteous, immoral terrestrian.

A "terrestrian" is a person who believes only in the terrestrial element of life. The word "terrestrial" means "pertaining to the earth." Accordingly, a terrestrian adamantly believes there is no spiritual realm to life, no heaven, no Divine Creator, and no afterlife. Thus, terrestrians are non-spiritualists and atheists. Terrestrians trust in mankind's secular nature, believe mankind is created as an act of evolutionary chance, believe mankind is subject only to man-made laws, and believe all human beings are created in a state of inequality – this being a self-evident truth. For terrestrians, the earthly experience defines the beginning and the end of consciousness, the human experience, and human life. Mankind's ultimate state is oblivion. Terrestrians are also known as the Children of Despair, People of Dust, and dust dwellers. While most terrestrians believe in some aspects of hope, faith and love, they reject the ethereal nature of these magnificent spiritual elements. The word "ethereal" does not exist in the terrestrian dictionary. As a terrestrian, you're ultimately alone and isolated within the massive, cold and lonely Cosmos. Lastly, the terrestrian has three important Questions of Life.

## The Terrestrians's First Three Questions Of Life

- 1. Is there a spiritual realm to life? (The answer is "no" by proposition.)
- 2. Do you truly, sincerely and genuinely love your fellow sentient human beings?
- 3. Where will your mind dwell at your moment of your physical death?

## **Celestians Versus Terrestrians**

The distinction between celestians and terrestrians is obviously simple, but it's also very profound. In addition, there should be no personal judgment regarding another person's answer to the First Question of Life. Your personal answer is nothing more than your personal belief, thus making celestians and terrestrians believers in their respective faith system. Truly and surely, terrestrians live life by faith, even though terrestrians don't perceive faith in the same manner as celestians perceive faith. Terrestrians live life by their faith in the doctrine of oblivion. Now, be sure to realize this great truth. Love favors neither the celestian nor the terrestian, but provides equal opportunity for both types of believers. Furthermore, if you truly love your fellow sentient human beings, then you readily exercise the fruits of TSG Love, especially including brotherly love, morality, tolerance and self-discipline. And I personally prefer to deal with a terrestrian who is a true-lover than a celestian who exercise negative, conactive love. This especially includes violent religious fanatics who gleefully murder their fellow sentient human beings. But overall, I highly prefer the company of other celestians who consistently exercise love. You always gravitate to those people who have a belief system that's similar to your own belief system.

As already defined, I'm deeply and profoundly convinced there is a spiritual realm to life. Consequently, I'm totally biased from the celestian's perspective. Your similar contemplative reflections will lead you to the development of your personal model of God, but you can only have a model of God if you're a celestian. Nevertheless, I'm deeply convinced the nature and power of love is profoundly important to all people. Love has deep meaning and value for celestians and terrestrians. Love is real. Love is powerful. Love is now. Love is for everyone. And only love provides sanctuary in our cold and hostile world. Beyond any doubt in my mind, only love can provide light and warmth in the world of sentient existence.

## The Life Ideology of the Duality of Mankind

The terrestrial and celestial natures of mankind are also addressed by the Life Ideology of the Duality of Mankind. This Life Ideology adamantly believes in the dual essence of human beings, whereby human beings have a spiritual, ethereal essence and a physical, biological essence. The spiritual essence is called the spirit, the soul, or the heart of man. The science of psychology also calls it the psychic apparatus, but I prefer to call it the psychic entity. Accordingly, the psychic entity is symbiotically integrated with the physical body, which is also called the corporeal apparatus. Fairly recently the corporeal apparatus has also been called the avatar, which is an ancient Hindu word. Associated with this ideology is the deep-seated belief that the physical body dies but the psychic entity continues to live to some extent, in some manner, and under conditions that are established by mankind's Creator. Mankind's religious beliefs of the afterlife vary greatly and are often the subject of hot and intense personal religious debates. To the best of my knowledge, all world religions are based upon the Duality of Mankind. I've also read Mankind's Duality is believed and embraced by over 90 percent of the world's population. I believe it's a self-evident truth that the Life Ideology of Mankind's Duality is an element of mankind's public, spiritual nature; and it is not a doctrine or dogma of one's personal. private religion. However, not all Americans agree with me and some Americans actively pursue the Life Ideology of the Singularity of Mankind.

Now, here's my personal concern regarding the disbelief of the duality of mankind. Beginning in the early 1960's, there has been an active, national, well organized, and highly effective atheistic movement which pursues to eradicate all spiritual association between the State and the Public Domain of Mankind's Spirituality. These atheists are also called secular humanists, or simply humanists. For these humanists, even the use of the word "God" in any public form that's associated with the State (including our public schools) has been attacked as being a religious matter. Therefore, the humanists adamantly believe the State's use of the word "God" is a violation of the constitutional law that is defined as the Separation of Church and State. Spiritual phrases such as "one Nation under God" and "in God we trust" are being attacked as religious doctrine and dogma.

In reflection, let me make one very important point crystal clear. I truly believe the vast majority of America's humanists are good, moral, tolerant and loving people, which also makes them very good American citizens. And of course they have the democratic right and privilege to believe God does not exist and to promote the deep-felt atheistic beliefs of their inner being. Nevertheless, the Ideology of America's Spirituality and the Ideology of Atheism and Humanism are diametrically opposing. One ideology, representing the People's Majority, shall be the Law of the Land; and the other ideology, representing the People's Minority, shall be respectfully suppressed. Unfortunately for the dissenters, this is how American Democracy works. For the sake of the Nation – for the short-term and especially for the long-term – let's make sure the People's adamant belief in the living reality of mankind's loving Creator prevails.

Meanwhile, nothing concerns me more for the well-being of America than the fear of losing the spirituality of America, and especially losing the State's long-term recognition of mankind's spirituality. Therefore, we as a Nation and as a State must understand the profound and important difference between the Natural Order of mankind's public, collective spirituality versus the Natural Order of the citizen's private and personal religion. In response to my concerns, I must proclaim "A Declaration Of Mankind's Spiritual Nature."

## A Declaration of Mankind's Spiritual Nature

It's believed to be a self-evident truth that the People are continuously responsible to actively declare and promote the principles by which they're willing to live and die. These principles especially include: (1) the spiritual principles that are the foundation of Democracy, (2) the spiritual origin of these United States of America, and (3) the guiding spiritual beliefs that forged the history, the heritage and the traditions of this mighty Nation. The prevailing, unified voice of the People must be clear and steadfast while the ears of the State are finely attuned. No branch of the

State shall be deaf to the benevolent voice of the People. The sincere, humble voice of the People – this representing a two-thirds Majority of the People – has consistently expressed the desire to recognize the spiritual essence and nature of mankind. In this manner, mankind affirms and promotes the empowering belief in the spirituality of all sentient human beings. This in turn creates the social fabric of a loving, moral and tolerant nation.

The Majority's adamant belief in mankind's spiritual essence and nature is often under attack by a small but very active Minority. Thereby, the People's innate spiritual nature is simultaneously assaulted. This is a crucial and continuous confrontation between the ideologies of the theists versus the atheists, or also defined as the spiritualists versus the non-spiritualists. At this time in America's history, the non-spiritualists are better known as humanists. The confrontation now focuses upon the State's responsibility regarding the public affirmation and promotion of mankind's spiritual nature. And it should be clearly understood that the heart of mankind's spiritual nature is the adamant belief in the living reality of mankind's Creator; that is, the Great Divinity of Democracy. Until recently in America's history, the State has always fulfilled its solemn responsibility to publically affirm and promote the spirituality of America; that is, the affirmation and promotion of "The Great American Spirit."

It's also realized all social issues always have a Minority of dissenters who respectfully disagree with the Majority. In a Democracy, the amicable beliefs of the Minority must be rightfully respected, tolerated and protected. Nevertheless, a Democracy is governed by the benevolent beliefs and desires of the Majority, whereby the Minority's dissenting beliefs and desires are respectfully suppressed. Within a Democracy, the Minority never dictates to the Majority, or otherwise the Democracy would cease to exist and the People would be governed by the Nation's Minority of dissenters. Truly and surely, the State is first responsible to provide the maximum good for the maximum number of people, thus fulfilling the primary consent of the governed Majority.

## The Federal Courts' **Suppression of Mankind's Spirituality**

The State's public affirmation and promotion of mankind's spirituality is no longer "actively practiced" because humanists and atheists have successfully challenged the Majority's spiritual ideology. The actual court case in question focuses upon the constitutionality of the American Pledge of Allegiance's statement "one Nation under God." This great spiritual battle has settled upon the current constitutional interpretation of the first topic of the First Amendment, commonly identified as The Separation of Church and State. The whole debate focuses upon a simple, single statement of constitutional law: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." Several lower Federal Courts have agreed with the arguments of the atheists and humanists. Thus, the courts agreed with the atheists that the Pledge of Allegiance's statement "one Nation under God" is a violation of the constitution. This mighty challenge has gone all the way to the Nation's Supreme Court. However, the atheist's recent challenge has been temporarily set aside because of a legal technicality. Nevertheless, it's just a matter of time before this great spiritual challenge will return to the Supreme Court for a final ruling. The final constitutional ruling by the State's highest Court will determine: (1) if the State will continue to publicly affirm and promote mankind's spiritual essence and nature, or (2) if the State will now embrace and promote humanism and atheism. A win by the humanists and atheists will isolate and insulate mankind's spirituality from all matters of the State. The proper separation of Church and State is a very, very good democratic fundamental. However, the isolation and insulation of Church and State is a very, very bad democratic fundamental. Moreover, the vast majority of the People are adamantly adverse to the isolation and insulation of Church and State.

In accordance with the long-standing interpretation of this constitutional law, it has been the heritage and tradition of the State to affirm and promote within the Public Domain the People's collective spiritual belief that America is "one Nation under God" and that it is "in God we trust." The extreme Minority of the humanists actively seeks to define these public spiritual beliefs to be an element of the Private Domain

of Personal Religion. In other words, the Majority's beliefs in "one Nation under God" and "in God we trust" are defined by the humanists to be doctrines and dogma of personal religion. The humanists disregard the truthful fact that these are the common, foundational and public spiritual beliefs of all religions, which profoundly includes the vast Majority of the American People. The truth is mankind's spiritual nature existed long before any man-made religions took root within mankind's evolving societies. Furthermore, mankind's spiritual nature continues to exist long after mankind's religious nature has expired, whereby the religious nature expires at the moment of physical death. Mankind is first and foremost a spiritual creature, and as a result, mankind is endowed by his Creator with certain unalienable Rights. It's also noted this great democratic fundamental is believed and embraced by the vast Majority of the American People.

Now, the People's adamant beliefs that America is one Nation under God and that America trusts in God are very important spiritual principles. However, the heart and soul of the People's unalienable Rights is the spiritual belief that "all men are created equal." Once again, this profound belief is adamantly believed and embraced by the People's Majority. But what do the secular humanists and atheists believe about this great democratic pillar? Is the belief in the Equality of Mankind a religious belief; and therefore, is not to be embraced and promoted by the State? The Equality of Mankind is not a religious doctrine or dogma, or a social doctrine, or a political proposition. Truly and surely, the democratic fundamental in the Equality of Mankind is the foundational backbone of American Democracy. Nevertheless, the Equality of Mankind is far removed from the physical world; but instead, it's a profound spiritual and even ethereal belief. If the atheists had their way, then the phrase "all men are created equal" would be deleted from America's Declaration of Independence.

Mankind's spiritual nature cannot be separated from the State, the Church, or the very fabric of personhood. The common bond of all people in all nations is based upon the adamant belief that mankind's true essence and nature is a spiritual essence and nature. By virtue of mankind's inner sense of spiritual intuition, mankind's spiritual nature is objectively realized

and is then embraced as mankind's true nature. We, the American People, are proudly derived from many nations, composed of all races, are the progeny of various cultures, and we speak with a multitude of languages. We are also religiously diversified in accordance with one's personal choice of conscience. In our new cultural amalgam we have a single common bond that's founded upon mankind's spiritual nature. History proves mankind's spirituality is the most fundamental theme of the human experience, and mankind's collective soul holds this to be a self-evident truth. The Solidarity of the Human Race is founded upon mankind's spiritual essence, thus resulting in mankind's natural, internal drive for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We are what we are because it's our spiritual nature, and thus being exactly what our Creator created us to be – free sentient human beings that are perfectly equal before the living throne of Democracy's Great Divinity.

## **The Great Divinity of Democracy**

From mankind's totally biased perspective, the Great Divinity of Democracy is amorphous by human conception. Our Democratic Divinity is neither monotheistic nor polytheistic, or even pantheistic, but is any of these concepts as based upon one's personal, subjective preference. Our Creator is not Christian, Jewish, Islamic, Hindu, Buddhist, or any other man-made religion. The Great Divinity of Democracy is any of these manmade religions, is all of these man-made religions, and is based upon the individual's personal theistic belief system. The Private Domain of Religion is deeply personal, mostly forged by ones cultural heritage and family customs. In America all benevolent religions are publicly affirmed by the great spiritual and democratic principle "each according to the dictates of one's own conscience." This even includes the personal conscience of atheists and humanists, for they are free to believe and disbelieve as they willfully desire. Emphatically speaking, be sure to realize your personal, subjective religious preference is primarily forged by your cultural biases and your conscience. In addition, be sure to realize the greatest tolerance in the entire Cosmos is religious tolerance. Our Creator does not care how you perceive Him. He only cares that you perceive Him in truth and in spirit and that you truly love Him and all His children. Our

Creator wants you to use your gift of spiritual intuition so that you know His reality and His perfect love for all His Children. And that perfect love especially applies to you. Listen to your Creator's loving whisper: "Be still and know that I am."

## The Many Blessings of Mankind's Spirituality

Mankind's spiritual nature adamantly believes in the living reality of his Creator, the active love for his Creator, the steadfast loyalty to his Creator, and the final accountability to his Creator – these being true elements of Mankind's Natural Order. Beyond any doubt, mankind's spiritual nature is not constrained by or limited to the Private Domain of Man-Made Religions. The belief in mankind's spiritual nature is a living truth and is the basis for the American democratic social system – a system of Divine Law, not written upon paper, but written upon the hearts of the People. This is a Cosmic Law of Mankind's Natural Order that takes precedence over all of mankind's written laws. And it's also the foundation for The Five Pillars of Democracy – these being Brotherly Love, morality, tolerance, self-discipline, and the will to sacrifice for a Higher Cause and the Greater Good. If all men were truly loving, moral and tolerant, then the State would probably cease to exist. However, the lustful immorality of the few makes the necessity of the State for the many. Accordingly, the essence of mankind's spiritual nature creates a spiritual foundation that secures the following blessings of the individual, the People, and the Nation.

- 1. Mankind's spirituality fulfills the inner longings of Brotherly Love, thus benefiting and serving the individual and the social collective.
- 2. Mankind's spirituality establishes and reinforces good moral character of the individual and collectively for the People.
- 3. Mankind's spirituality promotes the well-being of the individual, which in its collective action promotes the well-being of the People.

- 4. Mankind's spirituality recognizes the Great Divinity of Democracy, thus motivating the individual to serve mankind's gracious Creator, whatever one's personal conception of the Creator may be. The best way to serve America is to first serve the Great Divinity of Democracy.
- 5. Mankind's spirituality provides and reinforces the individual's motivation to serve the Nation, even to the sacrifice of the individual's life. Surely, freedom is not free, but is paid by the blood, the guts, the tears, and the lives of those who love their Creator, their country, their family, their fellow sentient human beings, and freedom.
- 6. Mankind's spirituality provides the emancipation from the Fear of Death by the deep-seated belief that spiritual life continues after physical death. In turn, the spiritual attribute of hope is born, and thus empowers the People to live life with a Living Hope. Where shall your mind dwell at the moment of your physical death?
- 7. Mankind's spirituality provides a deep-seated sense of hope and optimism for the individual and the Nation, thus securing the inner sensations of happiness. When you exercise your spiritual nature, then the natural human right to purse happiness easily leads to the "Attainment of Happiness."
- 8. Mankind's spirituality provides a safeguard against the corruption of the Nation. Accordingly, the successful basis for trusting mankind's Creator, in lieu of trusting man, is established and secured. History has repeatedly proven man is not trustworthy. Mankind's innate and perverted lust for power and money is easily abused and corrupted.
- 9. Mankind's spirituality fulfills the living spirit of the Constitution's Preamble, which states: "We the People of the United States in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States of America."

## **The Spiritual Foundation of America's Democracy**

Upon this spiritual foundation arises the American spirit and the American way of life – a spirit and way of life that's worthy of the State's support, affirmation and promotion within the Public Domain. In response to these solemn blessings, the State's representatives shall honor and fulfill the People's spiritual needs and desires. This includes the State's appointed representatives as well as the State's elected representatives. And this mandate is further reinforced by the fact that these representatives take an oath to uphold the duties of their office and the American Constitution. And to whom are these oaths given – to a fragile and imperfect man or to the Great Divinity of Democracy?

The vast majority of Americans are a godly people, perceiving ourselves to be one Nation under God, and gladly trusting in the benevolent love and care of our gracious Creator. Our steadfast beliefs in mankind's Creator and mankind's spiritual nature are rightfully, collectively, publicly and traditionally affirmed in our pledge of allegiance, in our national anthem, in our patriotic songs, in our public murals and monuments, and even on our currency. To deprive the spiritual needs of the People is to smother and kill the spiritual nature of the People, and to deny our spiritual nature is to deny who we truly are. The People and the State must embrace what we truly are and who we truly are; that is, a spiritual People and a spiritual Nation who adamantly believe and trust in mankind's Creator. And beware! History has consistently proven one truth about nations that have risen to world dominance. "Chaos always consumes a nation that rejects the living reality of mankind's Creator, which then leads to the collective failure to exercise Brotherly Love, morality, tolerance, goodness, and righteousness - these being the true virtues of Democracy."

May the American People always praise America's Creator and give thanks to America's Creator by the State's public affirmation of His living reality and His equal love for all His children. And let it always be this way until secular humanism and atheism become the majority belief of the American People; and therefore, the majority rule of the American People.

And may America's gracious, benevolent and loving Creator forgive us all if we, the collective majority of the American People, should ever fail to declare, to affirm and to promote mankind's spiritual nature and the Great Divinity of Democracy.

# The Public Domain of the Collective's Spirituality Versus the Private Domain Of the Individual's Religion

I once read a news story regarding a Congressional bill to reaffirm the National Moto, which is "In God We Trust." The bill was sponsored by Congress Representative Randy Forbes, a Republican from the great state of Virginia. In addition, the bill was submitted with 64 co-sponsors, 60 Republicans and 4 Democrats. Eventually, the bill passed the House of Representative's Judiciary Committee, but only after a sharp partisan debate. It was the usual political bickering between Republicans and Democrats. The debate was based upon the interpretation of the Constitution's First Amendment concerning what is now called the Separation of Church and State. The proper Separation of Church and State is a very, very good Constitutional Law.

The phrase "In God We Trust" was first used on a two-cent coin in 1864 and was expanded to several other coin denominations by 1866 during the peak of the Civil War. Every warring party wants God to be on their side. I read that Abraham Lincoln was an active party to this movement. The motto wasn't used on all coins until 1938. I could not find an easy reference regarding the historical use of the phrase as printed on paper money. However, in 1954 Congress passed a bill that required all currency bear the motto. It should also be noted this bill was passed just one year after another bill added the phrase "Under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance, thus creating the complete phrase "one Nation under God." Beyond any doubt, these were America's reactions to the global threat of the atheistic, oppressive and easily corrupted social-political system of communism. I firmly believe the inner core of the ideological war between Democracy and communism is the battle of beliefs between theism and atheism. The 1954 law was finally signed by President Eisenhower two years

later on July 30, 1956. A separate law was passed in 1956 which specifically established "In God We Trust" as America's National Motto. The motto was slowly added to all paper money until the task was finally completed in 1966.

I sense an acute national anxiety that America is now standing at a critical crossroads where the wrong turn may easily lead to the end of America's Godly blessings and associated prosperity, the spiritual life of America, and the very essence and nature of American Democracy. This is because there's a very active and vocal group of citizens who either knowingly, or unknowingly, are sucking the spirituality of America right out of the **Nation**. The focal issues concern the true principles of the Separation of Church and State, the Freedom of Religion, and America's foundational belief that all sentient human beings are created equal. These three principles are the very heart and soul of Democracy. This confrontation is actually between theism and atheism, where this atheism defines itself as humanism. Since the 1960's there has been a very active movement to keep Democracy's theistic foundation out of all public affairs that use federal funding. This especially includes our public schools. Ultimately, the confrontation is a battle over the interpretation of America's Constitution regarding the doctrine of the Separation of Church and State. The opponents of Democratic theism have eroded the sub-foundation of the long established meaning of the Separation of Church and State. These theistic adversaries have slowly made the separation doctrine very subjective, thus creating new interpretations that are now open for debate and confrontation.

Let us closely consider the Constitutional Law that's in question. "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." How can a law that seems so simple and direct become so open to interpretation and debate? In direct support of America's long-term interpretation and enforcement of the First Amendment, the Supreme Court has clearly stated the Nation's public institutions presuppose a Supreme Being and that government recognition of God does not constitute the establishment of a state church as the Constitution's authors intended to prohibit (Zorach versus Clauson 1951). This is the established, historical and proper interpretation of the Separation of Church and State. On the other hand, the humanists actively pursue the complete exclusion and reference of

Democracy's theistic foundation from all governmental institutions and other institutions which receive federal funding. This effort of exclusion represents **the isolation and insulation** of theism from the State. Surely and truly, the isolation and insulation of God from the State were not the desires or intentions of our Founding Fathers, and they are not the desires of the vast majority of today's citizens.

We the People are first and foremost a spiritual People whose Life Models are founded upon the universal belief in the living reality of mankind's loving Creator. Why is this such an important consideration? Here are my reflections to this very important question.

- 1. The belief in the Great Divinity of Democracy promotes Brotherly Love, morality and tolerance. In turn, these attributes enhance the development of honest and trustworthy citizens for the betterment of the Nation.
- 2. The belief in a loving Creator also fosters the belief in the continuation of spiritual life after physical death. Only by this great spiritual belief can mankind live life with hope and optimism.
- 3. The hope and optimism in a loving Creator and the continuation of life forges the only ideology that consoles and comforts the grief of death. This includes the death of those you love as well as the soulful preparation for your own death. Where shall your mind dwell at the moment of your physical death?
- 4. Mankind's spiritual nature forms the foundation of all man-made religions. In this manner, Democracy rightfully promotes and protects the Public Domain of mankind's spirituality while it also obliges and protects the Private Domain of a person's religious conscience. And of course, the protection of a person's private religious beliefs is predicated upon the condition that these beliefs are not belligerently fanatical, thus causing harm to others or to the fanatical religionist.

In the final analysis of this great debate, the confrontation reduces to two fundamental questions. First, do the vast majority of Americans truly believe we are one Nation under God? And second, do the vast majority of Americans truly trust in God? It must also be realized this generic concept of God is a spiritual representation of the Great Divinity of Democracy, and it does not represent any specific concepts, doctrines or dogmas of a manmade religion. Beyond any doubt, spiritualists and theists adamantly believe America is one Nation under God, and it is in God we trust. I call these two great pillars of belief **America's Two Great Virtues**, and they have been a critical element in America's origin, history, heritage, traditions and the American way of life. America's Two Great Virtues are now in "public jeopardy," where their meaning, value and purpose lay tenuous in the hands of a very vocal and active minority.

In the reflections of the potential loss, I must say something in support of my deep-rooted and heart-felt convictions. My love for my gracious Creator, my country and my fellow citizens moves me so I must address this great issue. In my reflections, my mind continues to return to a single question. Can Democracy exist without the People's unified belief in the living reality of mankind's Creator and the People's consequential response to trust in Him? And once again as a spiritualist, I firmly believe Democracy would perish if the People's Majority didn't firmly and actively believe in the living reality of our Creator; and thus trust Him to wisely guide our Nation. History has proven again and again that all of mankind is highly fallible, and that trusting in a single man is incredibly dangerous. The corruption of a single man has destroyed many nations.

Beliefs, truth, spirituality and religion are inherently intertwined, significantly affecting the Public Domain of the People and the Private Domain of the Individual. As a result, the associated responsibilities of the State are in constant debate. The honest differences of beliefs and opinions are a common facet in all societies, nations and governments. It's imperative to resolve these conflicting beliefs and opinions in a peaceful manner by which the maximum good is provided for the maximum number of people. In the Public Domain, the benevolent beliefs and opinions of the majority must be expressed and affirmed. At the same time, Brotherly Love

must be actively exercised so the opposing and dissenting beliefs and opinions of the minority are duly understood, respected and protected. For this we know with the utmost confidence that without Brotherly Love, Democracy would not and could not exist. Keeping these precepts in mind, let's allow the living spirit of truth illuminate our way to a deeper and broader understanding of the proper and appropriate responsibilities of the Church and State as desired and needed by the People's Majority. Again I say, it's always the first intent and requirement of Democracy to fulfill the beliefs, will and desires of the People's Majority while protecting the right of the People's Minority to respectfully and peacefully dissent.

## What Is This Word "God?"

Throughout this book I intentionally use several words, phrases and acronyms for the word "God." As a general rule, I use the word "God" in a very broad and generic sense, similar in meaning to the phrase "the Great Divinity of Democracy." I personally don't like using the word "God" because it has become misused, over used, abused, mundane and falsely invoked to promote one's own selfish purposes. Unfortunately, you cannot address the subject of mankind's Creator without using the word "God." For too many people, the word "God" conjures up justifiable biases that are derived from the bloody, oppressive history of world religions and the association with a belligerent and revengeful God. With this type of perspective of mankind's Creator, it's only natural for fear and anxiety to be associated with the word "God." In response, I actively seek to expand the true, genuine meaning of the word "God." This of course reflects my personal beliefs. It's the reader's responsibility to soulfully determine his or hers personal beliefs regarding the conception of our Creator, His actual existence, and His essence and nature. In addition, I desire to provide alternative words, phrases and acronyms for the word "God." How can anyone define mankind's Creator in a single word? Surely and truly, the essence and nature of God is so broad and so deep that it's only natural for mankind to grasp and grope at a truthful understanding of His essence, His nature, His power, and His glory. Accordingly, I use the word "God" to reflect a composite of concepts that include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following reflections. The following paragraphs define what I mean

when I use the word "God" and associated phrases and acronyms. The reader should first recall the subparagraph above titled "The Great Divinity of Democracy" located in the section titled "A Declaration of Mankind's Spiritual Nature."

## **God Concept #1: The Origin of Mankind**

These are my humble beliefs regarding the origin of mankind. I firmly and confidently believe our Creator is the genesis mankind. The word "genesis" means "origin or source." Accordingly, mankind's Creator is mankind's origin, source and genesis. How mankind was created remains a great mystery to mankind. Consider these questions.

- 1. Did the Creator magically create mankind by molding a clay figure and then blowing life into the figure? In this case the chicken came before the egg.
- 2. Did the Creator use a biological, cellular, genetic process to create mankind? In this case the egg came before the chicken.
- 3. Did the Creator use a long evolutionary process to create mankind? In this case the evolutionists are correct except that the evolutionary process was guided by an immense intellectual power that overcame all of the natural, physical dangers of evolutionary development. Corporeal life is incredibly fragile, and it exists in an extremely hostile environment.
- 4. Did the Creator create mankind by the sheer power of His thoughts? There are many people who believe in spontaneous creation. This is also an incredibly frightening concept; that is, the reality of life and death merely controlled by the power of thought. In a flash of anger, the Creator could annihilate the entire human race.

Now, will our Creator ever reveal the process by which He created mankind? If He did, would it make you a better person and a more loving person? If our Creator wanted His Children of Humanity to know their

origin, would He not have already revealed this information? Lastly, who is mankind to infringe upon our Creator's wisdom and sovereignty? All too often we poor, pitiful, puny human beings are too quick to forget who is the Creator and who is the one that's created.

I'm always amazed and astounded when people engage in a heated debate over the origin of mankind. Only a closed mind and a cold heart would become involved in such a silly argument that can be neither proven nor disproven. What is it they're really trying to prove, and why are they so intense and adamant to have other people agree with their personal belief? And when the argument is finally dissipated, the realities of life are neither diminished nor enhanced. It's far, far better to expend this energy upon a matter that can enhance yourself. And in the final analysis all I really know is that I do exist. I'm not just talking about the "I think; therefore, I am" type of existence. I'm talking about the "flesh, blood and bones" type of physical existence. This is the external evidence of existence. We must also consider the inner evidence of existence which include the spiritual gifts of sentient free-will and spiritual intuition. Perhaps this is something we should all pray and meditate upon.

## **God Concept #2: The Origin of Mankind's Creator**

Does our Creator have a Creator, or is our Creator the First Source? Is there more than one Supreme Being in the Cosmos? And what came first, our Creator or the Big Bang? Is it possible for our Creator to die? Is it possible for our Creator to evolve beyond His interest in His creation, and thereby abandon His creation? Is cosmic life self-sufficient and self-sustaining? Is our Creator emotionally cold, indifferent and impersonal, or is our Creator emotionally warm, caring and personal? Is heaven a physical part of the Cosmos, or is it a completely separate dimension? How many dimensions are there in the Cosmos? Is the concept of First Origin the same as the concept of Final Destination? In the world-to-come, will we be able to travel in time? Is our Creator truly eternal, and are His creations of

sentient beings eternal? What are your questions regarding the origin of life and the world-to-come? And do you become overwhelmed when you reflect and ponder these befuddling questions? Or is this matter beyond the concept and meaning of esoteric?

We're like young children playing in the deep recesses of an infinitely black cave which legend says contains the answers to the great questions of life. But all we have is a single match to help guide our way within the black cave. Most unfortunately, there's insufficient light and time to find just one answer to a meaningful question. And we don't even know if we're in the Cave of Answers. Maybe we're only in the Cave of Questions. Let's hope and pray the world-to-come has the Cave of Answers and the cave has plenty of light. The truth is we may never attain the enlightenment required to answer these questions, not even in the world-to-come. We pitiful human beings are as helpless as a leaf in the wind. But that's not so bad. We may not be able to control the wind, but we have the ability to set the sails and to steer the rudder. Like magnificent star trekkers, let's embrace and truly enjoy these cosmic adventures of life.

Through a gradual process that involved many years, I was eventually blessed with a very remarkable insight. Three great cosmic forces once wandered the extreme emptiness of the Cosmos. These three cosmic forces are The Cosmic Truth, Cosmic Love and the Primordial Essence of our Creator. As though they were in search of each other, one day they finally converged with one another. At that point in time and that place in space, there you'll find the genesis of our Divine Creator. Where you find the Divine Creator, you'll also find The Cosmic Truth and Cosmic Love. Where you find The Cosmic Truth, you'll also discover our Divine Creator and Cosmic Love. And where you find Cosmic Love, there too will be the Divine Creator and The Cosmic Truth. I call this concept "The Great Holy Cosmic Convergence," and the resulting effects are Cosmic Creativity, Cosmic Truth and Cosmic Love, these being the three primordial elements of life. In the reflections of my personal journey of spiritual discovery, I came to realize my experience involved three stages.

## I sought God and found Truth. I sought Truth and found Love. I sought Love and found God.

If you embrace life, be creative, pursue truth, and exercise love, then you'll be on a path that leads to our Celestial Father. Accordingly, it doesn't really matter what your earthly religious affiliation is. It doesn't even matter if you don't have any religious affiliation. It only matters if you embrace life, be creative, pursue truth, and exercise love. To embrace life is to embrace your Creator. To be creative is to be a reflection of your Creator. To pursue truth is to pursue your Creator. And to exercise love for all mankind is to exercise love for your Creator. Let it be perfectly clear that no earthly religion has a monopoly on the path to our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator. Our Creator loves all His children equally and does not restrict any of His children's access to Him and His kingdom. It's mankind's responsibility to be tolerant of all earthly religions, for there are many paths to our Celestial Father. And in your tolerance you may gain an insight to the origin of our Creator.

## God Concept #3: God Is Our Loving Celestial Father

God is definitely mankind's Creator as well as the Creator of other sentient beings that mankind has been given knowledge of. And I'm confident there are many more types of sentient beings that will be revealed in the world-to-come. Science fiction stories pale in comparison to what we shall actually see and experience. What the eye has not seen, or the ear has heard, or that which can be conceived in the hearts of mankind, awaits those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their Creator. Accordingly, our Creator is **The Lord of Life**. However, it's very important to realize the true relationship between our Creator and ourselves.

Our relationship with our Creator is usually defined with words that were derived by our ancient forefathers; but these words are now obsolete, misleading and sometimes incorrect. The origin of these incorrect words is founded upon the inordinate fear of a mean and revengeful God. These

words are "Master," "Lord" and "King." Our loving Creator is not a slave owner; therefore, we're not His slaves and He is not our Master. Our loving Creator is not a king; therefore, we're not His peasant servants and He is not our King or Lord. We may respectfully call our Creator "Master," "Lord," or even "King," but that's only an ancient custom of expressing respect of our Creator's authority. It's incredibly important to know and realize that mankind's Creator is our Heavenly Father; or more accurately stated, our Celestial Father. Thereby, we're our Celestial Father's children. Accordingly, our relationship with our Celestial Father is similar to the relationship between deeply loving earthly parents and their children.

Mankind's Celestial Father is the very essence and nature of love. Emphatically speaking, He is the manifestation and the personification of Cosmic Love. And only Cosmic Love begets Cosmic Love. In addition, our Creator's love is perfect. Only perfect love has the power to cast out all fears, especially the fear of death. Accordingly, our Creator's obedient children actively desire to become the manifestation and the personification of Cosmic Love. Therefore, Cosmic Love becomes a state of being. It's a natural phenomenon for the Creator's obedient children to emulate His greatness. Truly, our Creator's loving nature inspires all who truly seek Him. It's also noted our Creator is the manifestation of patience and kindness. Never forget that love is patient, love is kind. All TSG Lovers are recognized by their patience and their kindness. Lastly, it's noted that only those who love our Celestial Father and all His children will find comfort and pleasure in His Kingdom, which is the Kingdom of Love.

## **God Concept #4: God Is a Benevolent Sovereign**

Mankind's Creator is the Supreme Being of His sovereign domain; and therefore, He is our Cosmic Sovereign. The word "**sovereign**" has several interesting definitions: (1) greatest in degree, utmost or extreme; (2) having supreme rank, power and authority; and (3) being above all others in character, importance, excellence, and so forth. The word "sovereign" has a sense and aura of righteousness, whereby no one has the right to declare authority over a recognized State of Sovereignty. In this same manner,

nations have natural rights of sovereignty over their land, their air space, their shore lines, their ships at sea, and other internationally agreed conditions of sovereignty. This especially includes the sovereignty of a nation's citizens. It's also noted the inherent power of a sovereign naturally and rightfully earns the honorable label of "lord." The Christian Bible refers to God as "Lord" more than any other label. Praise the Lord!

Now, mankind has no idea of the limits of our Creator's domain or the full essence and nature of His domain. Is our Creator the Sovereign of the entire universe or just our galaxy? Because our galaxy is so immense, maybe our galaxy is divided into multiple space sectors where each sector is ruled by its own Supreme Being. Could there be galactic wars between Supreme Beings and their created creatures. Could the war between angels and demons actually be a galactic war? Our collective speculations are only limited by our collective imaginations. But this we know for sure. The actual size of the universe is far beyond human comprehension. I once read in a college text book on astronomy that our galaxy has over a billion stars, and the universe has over a billion galaxies. Literally speaking, the universe could contain thousands of Creative Entities such as mankind's Creator. I sense deep within my heart our Creator's domain will be revealed in the world-to-come. Also, we will have access to our Creator's domain. I personally believe that in the world-to-come, the Children of Humanity are the Children of the Stars. I look forward with great expectation to seeing the magnificent cosmic sites that are scattered throughout our galaxy and hopefully beyond. Beam me up Scotty!

Mankind's Creator is our Cosmic Sovereign, and He is the Sovereign Ruler of His domain, thus having the supreme and final authority and power over His entire domain. In addition, our Creator always exercises His authority and power with wisdom, grace, benevolence and love. Our Creator never reacts with jealousy, revenge or retribution. These are human attributes derived from conditional love and selective love. Our Creator's love is always unconditional and perfect, thereby always pursuing mercy, forgiveness, redemption and reconciliation. Our Creator's love is perfect, thus casting out all fears. And because His love is perfect, He always acts with perfect patience and with perfect kindness. Never forget

that love is patient and love is kind. Accordingly, our Creator gives to His children the desires of their hearts, even if a child desires isolation from our Creator. It's profoundly sad to sentient beings who choose total sentient death over our Creator's wisdom, grace, benevolence and love. I believe sentient death is a state of nonexistence; that is, oblivion. The word "oblivion" means "the state of being forgotten." What value is your life if you're ultimately forgotten?

### **God Concept #5: God and the Holy Trinity**

The doctrine of the Holy Trinity is one of the greatest mysteries of the Christian Church. I believe no one really understands this religious doctrine. And of course, this includes everyone in the worldwide Christian Church. I'm sure it's held in deep belief just because Jesus directly taught specific elements of the Holy Trinity. That's surely the basis for believing this most unusual belief, whereby it's an unusual belief from the perspective of other world religions. I'm not aware of any other religion believing in the Holy Trinity. So then, does the Holy Trinity – that is, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (or Holy Ghost if you prefer) – really exists?

In my personal reflections and meditations, I have come to sincerely believe our loving Creator reveals Himself in these three forms of manifestation. In fact, I even sense what I call "a gender polarization." My sensations are very mystifying to myself, because my sensations don't perceive earthly genders as we physically know them; that is, male and female. My reflections sense a very specific life-entity that is best described as "a Fatherly gender" and "a Motherly gender." Naturally, the Fatherly gender is ascribed to our Heavenly Father, or as I personally prefer to say, our Celestial Father. But most unique to my experiences, I sense the Motherly gender is ascribed to the Holy Spirit. According to my own unique belief, I personally call the Holy Spirit "our Holy Mother Spirit." Again I emphasize these personal sensations are not gender based as sentient human beings know and understand the male and female genders.

Finally, I would like to note two other personal sensations I have gained in my reflections regarding the Holy Trinity. First, my personal sensation of the Fatherly gender associates our Celestial Father with an aura of love that's best described as tuff-love. Second, my personal sensation of the Motherly gender associates our Holy Mother Spirit with an aura of love that's best described as tender-love, as in tender loving care – or even better, tender loving compassion. Accordingly, our Celestial Father rightfully expects the best from His children and will lovingly reprimand His child who is not fulfilling his or hers responsibilities and potential. On the other hand, our Holy Mother Spirit tenderly embraces Her children even when they perform less that reasonably expected and as lovingly encouraged. Our Holy Mother Spirit knows tomorrow is another day, and it will provide golden opportunities for Her children to do better, and thus evolve into the best loving nature of their potential life-entity. Your Divine Daddy and Divine Mommy love you with an unconditional and perfect love. Be sure to count this as your greatest blessings in life.

This is my simplified nomenclature for the Holy Trinity. Our Heavenly Father is the Lord of Life. The Son of God is the Lord of Love. And the Holy Spirit is Our Lady of Compassion. Finally, you should consider and reflect upon these questions. What is Jesus' name in the celestial realm? Is His celestial name Jesus, or was Jesus just His earthly name while He was fulfilling His terrestrial mission on earth? Has Jesus ever fulfilled terrestrial missions on other terrestrial planets? If He has, then has He always been the male gender, or has He actually had terrestrial missions where He was the female gender? Now image that – The Father, Daughter and the Holy Ghost! Does Jesus have a gender in the celestial realm, and will you have a gender in the celestial realm? Can you imagine yourself and those you deeply love without a gender? Finally, does the belief in the Holy Trinity make Christianity a polytheistic religion?

### **God Concept #6: God's Omni Natures**

I selfishly want and need my Creator to be **omniscient** (all knowing), **omnipotent** (all powerful), and **omnipresent** (all present). Only in this manner will our Creator be able to always overcome evil; and thus,

always protect His children, preserve heaven, and sustain eternity. Furthermore, our Creator must have an omnificent nature. The word "omnificent" means "having all powers of creation, and thus creating all things." Our Creator must be omnificent to ensure that a good, loving person would not be condemned to hell (in the event hell actually exists) or transmuted them to oblivion. Likewise, I don't want an evil sentient being residing in the Kingdom of Heaven, for I fear such an event could lead to the destruction of Heaven. Accordingly, our omnificent Creator must be an impregnable and invincible **Superman Sugar Daddy**. Only in this manner will our Creator be able to always protect us, sustain us, and give us the desires of our hearts. On the other hand, what would happen if God actually had a cosmic vulnerability? Could other supreme beings of the universe attack and defeat our loving Creator?

The thought of our Creator having any weakness, imperfection or deficiency is so malevolently hideous that I have to totally purge the idea from my being. Nevertheless, I fear my Creator will not fulfill all my expectations, especially my childish and naive whims. It's a celestian weakness of dependency to need our Creator to be a Superman Sugar Daddy. As a necessity to mute my fearful anxieties, I foolishly demand our Creator to be our protector and lavish provider. I like the concept of our Creator as our Superman Sugar Daddy so much that I use the acronym "SMSD" as an easy reference. When the trials and tribulations of the terrestrial life pour upon you, fear not! Your SMSD is on His way to save you. Always remember this. All things work to good for those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their SMSD.

### **God Concept #7: God's Many Names and Conceptions**

I once read that one of the oldest Judean references to mankind's Creator is the letters "YHWH." According to what I read, the voweless word intentionally had no vowels so that it couldn't be pronounced. Our ancient fathers believed that to say God's name out loud was blasphemous. At that time the punishment for blasphemy was death by stoning. The profound ignorance of our ancient forefathers always astounds me. Vowels

were eventually added to YHWH which then became the word "Yahweh." I've also read Yahweh is God's personal name. The Judean Bible also uses the words "Elohim" and "Jehovah" for our Creator's personal name. The word "Jehovah" is used the vast majority of the time. Do you think our Creator has a personal name?

The English word "God" is the common translation for many variations of the original language which the Old Testament Bible was written in. The original language of the Old Testament has various and specific meanings to words and phrases that are simply translated in English as the words "God" or "Lord." Sometimes the word "LORD" (intentionally all capital letters) is used. And of course, Biblical scholars debate and argue over the correct translations of the Bible's original language. What is really meant by this word "God?" Obviously, there's far more meaning than what is conveyed by three simple letters of the English language.

It's also noted Jesus never used a personal name for our Heavenly Father. He usually referenced our Creator as "our heavenly Father" or "our Father in heaven." On the night before His crucifixion in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus called out to our Creator as "Abba." I've read the word "Abba" is an Arabic word whose literal translation in English means "Daddy." Our gracious, benevolent, loving Creator is Jesus' Daddy, and He's also your Celestial Daddy and your Sugar Daddy.

The Moslem name for mankind's Creator is Allah, and I personally believe it's a most excellent name for our Creator. I've never learned if this is the personal name of our Creator or a generic, formal reference similar to the English use of the words "God," "Lord" and "Jehovah." For me personally, Allah is mankind's Creator, the Lord of Life, and is the same Supreme Being that's worshiped by the three related religions of Islam, Judaism and Christianity. I have no reservation professing "Allah is Lord," or "Jehovah is Lord," or "Yahweh is Lord." After all, what is really meant by this word "God," or "Allah," or "Jehovah," or "Yahweh," or "Heavenly Father," and so on and so on? Meanwhile, it always amazes me that these three great world religions can also have so much belligerent animosity and

violence between them. After all, all three religions have a common belief foundation and a common source. Why are the meanest, most violent, and bloodiest conflicts also religious conflicts? I thought one of the main purposes of religion was to reconcile differences – not to forge differences. After all, aren't all sentient human beings the children of mankind's Creator, no matter what you call Him?

We could expand this discussion to include the multiple names and conceptions of God that are part of the world's Eastern Religions. But it would require a significant effort just to obtain an introductory knowledge of these many Eastern Religions. There are also many variations within several of these religions. This effort is far beyond the intent of this book, so I leave it to the reader to research the matter to the level of his or hers personal interest. This is the point that needs to be understood. Mankind, as a global collective, has many names for God and many concepts of God. Is there one name and one concept that best defines mankind's Creator? I confidently believe the answer to this question is an emphatic "NO!"

My favorite reference for God is the phrase "gracious, benevolent and loving Creator." I've already typed that phrase several times. I believe this phrase is far more descriptive of our Creator than any other reference of His conception. I further believe this phrase represents a verbal conception of the phrase "God is love." I also economize this reference by making it the acronym "GBLC." I'm convinced it doesn't matter to our GBLC how you believe in Him or how you conceive of His manifestation, or even His various forms of manifestations. It only matters if you believe in His existence and you love Him with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. Likewise, you must also love all His children in this same way.

Now, does our Creator really love one religious group more than another religious group? I adamantly don't believe so! And once you enter the Kingdom of Heaven, are you going to declare yourself to be a Christian or a Jew or a Moslem or any other man-made religious affiliation? Once again, I adamantly don't believe so! You'll simply be a loving and obedient

child of our gracious, benevolent, loving Creator. And all citizens of the Kingdom of Love will love their Creator and their fellow citizens no matter what religious affiliation one had in their terrestrial career.

### **God Concept #8: Personal Preferences and Prejudices**

Regarding the information presented in the previous seven reflections, I don't **really know** how true this information **really is**. And I don't **really know** the degree of certainty that academic scholars hold this information to be **really true**. Like everything that's based in religious antiquity, there's always an excess of variability, there's always lots of opinions, and the associated truths are always more subjective speculation than objective knowledge and hard core facts. We know very little while we believe very much. In other words, the certainty of knowing is always an uncertainty. But none of these uncertainties **really matter**. The only thing that **really matters** is how you perceive your Creator and that you recognize His gracious, benevolent and loving nature. For this I am totally convinced. Believing in the reality of our living Creator and embracing the belief that He is the manifestation and personification of love makes you a better person, and therefore, a better citizen.

What **really is** this word "God?" This you must answer for yourself. And you must also be tolerant of other people's personal answers. This is the core principle of democracy's Freedom of Religion, which really is the freedom to believe according to one's own conscience and one's own subjective preferences and prejudices. Everyone has their own prejudices, and that's natural and acceptable provided the prejudices don't manifest themselves into a state of belligerent animosity. Everyone is significantly influenced by their culture, their life experiences, and the critical people that helped mold their character and personality. Ultimately, the perfect ideal is to produce citizens who are loving, patient, kind, respectful and tolerant. Now, it's your turn to stop and think, reflect and ponder. What do you mean when you use the word "God?"

## Our Spiritual Nature Versus Our Religious Nature

Most people of the world, and especially Americans, discern a difference between mankind's spiritual nature versus mankind's religious nature. While many people are quick to embrace mankind's spiritual nature, they are equally quick to guard against mankind's religious nature. Mankind's history has repeatedly proven the world's daily citizens should have great concern regarding the negative potential of religious abuse, oppression, radicalism, fanaticism and tyranny. But is that the true intent of religion, especially those religions that encourage love, morality, tolerance, self-discipline, charity and the pursuit of truth. As a result of my personal contemplations, I have five personal reflections for the read's consideration.

- 1. I Am First and Foremost a Spiritualist: I want to demonstrate I'm motivated as a spiritualist and not as a religionist. The truth is I bear contempt for fanatical religionists who have committed, and continue to commit, malevolent acts in the name of their religion. History repeatedly records vile religionists who readily lust for social power; and in their lust, they actively pervert their religion for their own selfish purposes. Beyond any doubt, perverted religionists have inflicted great degradation and depravation upon the daily citizen and the social collective. As a result, contempt for fanatical religionists is widespread throughout the world, and especially in America. Unfortunately, the contempt for these overbearing religionists quickly mutates into a widespread contempt for all religions. In spite of my natural contempt for fanatical religionists, I do respect and encourage religious affiliations that are committed to the pursuit of truth and good will; the exercise of love, morality and tolerance; and the quest for peace, harmony and tranquility.
- 2. A Natural Fear of the Militant Islamic Fanatics (the MIF's): At this moment in history, I have a great concern regarding the extremely evil fringe of the militant Islamic fanatics that are attacking nations around the world. These fanatics possess a warped and distorted sixth century ideology in a twenty-first century world. The willful use of weapons of

mass destruction is a very realistic potential. Like most Americans, I reasonably fear these sadistic fanatics will actively pursue mankind's worst nightmare – the use of nuclear and biological weapons. The MIF's have made a publicly proclaimed goal for an Islamic victory which includes the murder of four million Americans. Let there be no doubt about the evil of these despicable Islamic fanatics, for they actively undermine the love of mankind's Creator and the love of mankind. Emphatically speaking, I deeply believe the War on Terrorism is a good and noble war.

- 3. Mankind Is a Spiritual Being: I want to establish a reasonable basis for the rational proposition that mankind is a spiritual being. I believe this to the deepest abyss of my heart, and it's this belief that gives me **the living hope** I need to live an optimistic, positive and proactive life. Life would surely be a devastating drudgery without this living hope. Life would be pure misery if I didn't possess my spiritual nature, and I would earnestly question the value of living in such a state of misery.
- 4. <u>Mankind's Creator Is a Living Reality</u>: I want to embrace and support the People's collective, adamant belief in the living reality of mankind's Creator and the true existence of His kingdom. And of course, His kingdom includes the terrestrial realm as well as the celestial realm. Furthermore, I want to make it clear that I believe the essence and nature of mankind's Creator is love, patience, kindness and tolerance.
- 5. A Democratic State Must Support and Promote Mankind's Spirituality: I believe it's imperative the State actively supports and promotes the People's adamant belief in the living reality of mankind's Creator. The active participation of the State in regards to mankind's spiritual nature secures many social benefits for the Nation. It should always be remembered the State is responsible for supporting and sustaining the benevolent will of the Majority.

## The Negative Connotations Of Religion and God

In America today the word "God" has multiple interpretations including negative connotations. This includes negative connotations that are derived from various religious institutions that admirably embrace and promote the living reality of mankind's Creator. However, too many religions proclaim their religion is the only true religion, and only by your membership in their religious order can you find true enlightenment, redemption and salvation. And that's assuming you believe you're in need of redemption and salvation.

This is what some religious organizations proclaim. "Believe as we do if you want to be saved. Only by our religion's doctrines can you gain access to God; obtain His forgiveness and redemption; secure His blessings, gifts and treasures; enter into His eternal life and eternal bliss; and gain entry into Heaven." In essence, these religions proclaim they have a monopoly regarding God and His Kingdom. It's highly self-evident mankind's organized religions are greatly biased and prejudicial, being mostly based upon cultural traditions, practices, and their respective nation's way of life.

With so many religions competing for your heart and soul, it's no wonder a person becomes confused and dazed about religion and the nature of mankind's Creator. Eventually you learn religious people don't have a monopoly on love, patience, kindness, morality, tolerance and other desirable attributes associated with God. And you quickly learn these religions want more than your heart and soul. They also want your money, your time, and your blind allegiance. Your idealistic expectations are quickly shattered as soon as you realize the idealisms of truth, love, tolerance, goodness and righteousness are inconsistently exercised by all religious affiliations.

From the perspective of the nonreligious, the single greatest attribute perceived of religion and religious people is the attribute of hypocrisy. Nonetheless, you should always remember people are people whether they're religious people or nonreligious people. And the hallmark of the

Children of Humanity is imperfection. Indeed, we are an imperfect people in an imperfect world. In spite of these negative elements of man-made religions, you still need to pursue The Cosmic Truth regarding the living reality of our Creator. Again I ask. What is really meant by this word "God?"

## The Full Meaning Of the Word "Religion"

It's very important to understand what the word "religion" really means. Most people only think of religion as institutions that believe in the reality of mankind's Creator, whereby each religion is based upon the specific beliefs, doctrines and dogmas of the respective religion. As a general representation for most world religions, God represents mankind's Supreme Being, the Almighty, mankind's Creator, and the Great Benevolent Force of the Cosmos. A religion is also polytheistic or monotheistic. Most religions focus upon specific beliefs concerning the creation of the Cosmos, principles of faith, the power of prayer and meditation, the path to salvation, and final judgment. Usually, but not always, God is believed to be holy, perfect and omnificent. In addition, you must also be holy and perfect in order to dwell in Heaven. I believe mankind's drive for perfection is a major source of the collective's state of anxiety; that is, the inordinate fear of the unknown. And the collective's greatest anxiety is the fear of death.

The limited summary of religion define above is a quick and broad stroke to describe what most people think when they hear the word "religion." However, the word "religion" is much broader in meaning. The word "religion" means "a specific fundamental set of beliefs and practices generally agreed upon by a number of persons or sects." By this definition, the word "religion" is not necessarily limited to concepts of God and theism. In fact, by this definition atheism is a religion – the religion of the nonbelievers of God. While atheists may not be formally organized, they still have a set of beliefs and practices. Furthermore, all forms of government are forms of religion. Governments have and operate by a set

of beliefs and practices. In the truest sense, democracy, socialism, communism and fascism are forms of religion; that is, social religion. Governments are always competing for believers and followers.

A dictatorship is a form of religion, whereby the dictator usually makes himself a god figure. The dictator must have his People embrace, praise and revere him, lifting up the dictator above the People, even to the point of veneration and worship. This is why in countries ruled by dictatorships, pictures and statues of the dictator are publicly displayed throughout the country. Unfortunately, dictators are usually infected with two psychological dysfunctions — megalomania and paranoia. Subsequently, dictatorships always descend into tyranny and oppression, whereby the People are ruled by fear, intimidation and brutality. Is there such a thing as a benevolent dictator? In a dictatorship, brotherly love, morality and tolerance are quickly swept under the carpet and then trampled upon.

In the final analysis, all political and social actions are special forms of religious affiliation; that is, a specific fundamental set of beliefs and practices generally agreed upon by a number of persons or sects.

Unfortunately, a sect can be a minority political party that gains control of a nation by brutal force. But usually a nation is controlled by the beliefs and practices of the society's majority. Furthermore, religious beliefs, political beliefs, and social beliefs naturally intermingle and weave a social fabric that's a synergy of a collective belief system. Consequently, it's very important to realize there are three subgroups of religion: (1) theistic religion; (2) political religion; and (3) social religion. And all three religious subgroups are constantly interacting with one another. This is why religion cannot be separate and isolated from politics, and thus evade the associated effects upon society.

Now, here's the point to know and remember. Any organization that seeks to mold the beliefs, thoughts, speech and behavior of the people associated with the organization is effectively operating as a religion. Religion, politics and society are deeply and delicately interwoven, whereby one element always affects the other two elements. Ultimately, all religious

issues become the focus of personal beliefs and the desire to secure the final control of the individual's mind. And now, here's the rub. It's the inherent nature and desire of religion and politics to create the controlling ideology and mindset of the respective society. There are many people who want you to believe and think just like they do. This is why it's so very important that you believe for yourself, and that you know why you believe the convictions of your heart.

The question to consider is this. What is the best and optimum ideology that provides the maximum good for the maximum number of people, and without adversely affecting the opposing minority? I'm deeply convinced The Ideology of Love is the only mindset that consistently serves the majority and the minority. However, this is a rational perspective that's conceived only by a healthy sentient mind. A defective and dysfunctional sentient human being, such as a dictator or a fanatical religious zealot, is neither rational nor sensible, and such a dysfunctional person often seeks to dominate, control and command his fellow sentient human beings. Beware of the dysfunctional and irrational person, especially one who becomes fanatical and inflexible about his or hers ideology. Suffering and misery shall quickly follow.

# The Tyrannical History Of Religious Fanaticism

Having a negative response to organized religion is fully understandable when you consider the violent history of mankind's world religions. As a result, many people perceive religion and the associated belief in God to be a curse upon mankind. The truth is fanatical religionists have driven many people to believe in atheism. How can anyone want to believe in a God who's so mean, demanding, jealous, revengeful, sacrificial and unforgiving? And who wants to live in a world where you're constantly in fear of being quashed like a bug by an over demanding and bullying Divinity who dictates a tooth for a tooth, an eye for an eye and an eternal life in hell just for being created as an imperfect human being?

### **Today's Religious Fanatics of Islam – The MIF's**

The natural fear of religious fanatics is especially prevalent at this historical moment because of the atrocious violence of the extremely fanatical Islamic Jihad. They're an enemy without a name or nation, and their common bond is the religion of Islam and an intense hatred for the nations of Israel and America. I call them "the Militant Islamic Fanatics," or simply "the MIF's." They're a very small splinter group of the greater Islamic Nation, and they're fanatical, radical and belligerent renegades of Islam. Let it be perfectly clear that the vast majority of the Islamic Nation is loving, moral, tolerant, gracious, benevolent and peaceful. However, in the eyes of the world, the MIF's make all Islamic believers look vile and evil. Because of the MIF's, very negative and prejudicial thoughts and feelings are pouring upon the entire Nation of Islam. However, no one should be judged and condemned because of their unintentional association with an evil entity, especially when the association is by name only.

The MIF's evil actions create fear, and fear creates retaliatory condemnation. In the eyes of the world the MIF's are the evil personification of "Islam's Ancient Jihad." The villainy of the Ancient Jihad is reborn, and this is all because of a group of MIF's that intensely hate the Jewish Nation of Israel. And they also hate America for supporting Israel. The long-term consequences of our ancient forefathers have laid a foundation to perpetuate the evil nature of mankind. How can love, peace, harmony and tranquility ever take root where the malevolent nature of mankind prevails and openly breeds? In the truest sense, the MIF's are actively breeding hatred against Israel and nations that actively support them, especially America. And they may hate America more than they hate Israel. Truly, America's fear of the MIF's is totally justified.

It's extremely clear these Islamic fanatics have actively embraced mankind's Great Black Lie. This is the ancient Islamic lie that Allah will abundantly love you and bless you if you will first aggressively murder Allah's other children while murdering yourself. Note also that many of these murdered children of Allah are loving, peaceful and obedient Moslems. Beyond any doubt, the murderous belief in the concept of

Ancient Jihad is an insidious endeavor to snare the intellectually challenged, the emotionally retarded, and the volitionally wicked. Truly and surely, the act of jihad is the ultimate cosmic act of hypocrisy. The truth is Allah loves all His children equally, including every sentient human being on Earth – even the MIF's. Nevertheless, the MIF's proclaim themselves to be "Allah's Holy Warriors." Can a warrior really be holy? Surely, "holy warrior" is the absolute ultimate oxymoron.

From the American perspective, there are vicious cobras in our beautiful gardens, and these deadly cobras actively seek to destroy America. In truth, this is first and foremost a war of ideologies – the benevolent ideology of modern Democracy pitted against the malevolent ideology of ancient Islamic Jihad. In truth, the MIF's ideology is the Ideology of Antidemocracy, where the MIF's are directly attacking Democracy's Freedom of Religion. The Freedom of Religion is the first freedom of Democracy, thus making it the most important and the most precious of all democratic freedoms. For at the heart of the Freedom of Religion is the freedom to believe as one chooses to believe. But the MIF's want and demand their fellow Moslems to believe and to act as the MIF's want and demand them to be. This is the foundation of the malevolent ideology of the MIF's: "Believe and act as we tell you to believe and act, or we shall kill you, and we shall kill you very violently!!!" Consequently, Democracians and Allah's obedient Moslems are in defense of the MIF's many acts of aggression. The roots of malice have grown deep within the MIF's hearts, thus creating anger and rage that controls their hearts and commands their minds. They're easily recognized by their words and deeds of belligerent animosity. Furthermore, they have become a cancer within the Nation of Islam. The MIF's have repeatedly proven they should be feared.

The MIF's are reprobates to our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator. The word "reprobate" means: (1) a depraved, unprincipled or wicked person; and (2) a person rejected by God and who is beyond hope of salvation. The word "reprobate" should be used very seldom and only then after very careful consideration. Accordingly, the MIF's wanton and indiscriminate murders of innocent people has reached a point that's beyond the mercy and redemption of Allah. Without any Godly reflection of love

and mercy, the MIF's murder babies, children, women, the elderly, and the disabled. The MIF's attack their perceived enemies at weddings, funerals, and Islamic religious celebrations. The MIF's seek to eliminate the moral threads of humanity, these being sacred threads which weave the moral fabric of all religions and societies. And be sure to realize this truth. These extremely immoral, violent acts of murder are incredible acts of cowardice, thus making the MIF's both reprobates and extreme cowards. The MIF's vicious, murderous acts are acts of malevolent chaos. The MIF's hate all while truly loving no one, and they desire to destroy all they can while they create and build nothing. Truly, the MIF's are the **ORC's** of the world, that being the **O**ppressive **R**eprobate **C**owards of the world. Can sanity ever return to the MIF's?

In the war of ideologies between the Democracians and the MIF's, this is what the Democracians must convince the MIF's. The true essence and nature of Allah should be constantly emphasized. Allah is life! Allah is love! And Allah's love is unconditional and perfect. Being the very essence of unconditional, perfect love, Allah is also patient, kind and tolerant! Be sure to know this. Anyone who invokes Allah's name to justify the aggressive murder of Allah's obedient and loving children is in direct conflict with Allah's essence, nature and intentional will. This is the great truth that the Islamic Nation needs to embrace, affirm, and publicly promote. Those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love Allah must become Allah's Advocates of Love. For the love of Allah, the malevolent ideology of the MIF's must be totally eradicated from the belief system of Islam. If this cannot be achieved, then mankind shall be eternally enslaved to the malevolent nature of his ancient forefathers where The Law of Conquest and The Law of War forever governed their hearts and minds.

## **The History of Christianity's Fanaticism**

Now, in the course of history, the Islamic faith isn't the only religion that has embraced fanatical beliefs that manifested themselves into cruel and violent acts against mankind. The Catholic Church's Crusades of conquest of the Holy Land are monumental examples of religious fanaticism. In fact,

all of the Catholic Church's Crusades were absolutely appalling; especially the First Crusade where history records the Catholic knights even exercised cannibalism to instill fear in the Moslems. In the year 1095 Pope Urban II exercised the Catholic version of jihad when he initiated the First Crusade. He proclaimed that to die in the Christian conquest of Jesus' Holy Land was to gain immediate acceptance into Heaven. In addition, when the knights finally succeeded in their siege of Jerusalem, all of the city's Jews and Moslems were ruthlessly murdered. This included children, women, the elderly, and the disabled.

Didn't our ancient, Christian forefathers know that Jesus taught and lived the elementary principles of love, whereby He specifically taught the Children of Humanity to love their Creator and their fellow sentient human beings? Jesus also taught the Children of Humanity to love their enemy and to pray for them. Is this a revelation from God, and if it is, then why was it so quickly forgotten? But more important, why is that great teaching still forgotten today?

And then there were the Catholic's aggressive persecutions against heretics. Mankind should never forget the dreadful, violent and vicious Catholic Inquisitions. What exactly is a heretic? A heretic is a person who holds a belief of heresy. The word "heresy" means "an opinion or doctrine at variance with the orthodox or accepted doctrine, especially of a church or religious system." Note that you don't have to be a religionist to be a heretic, and it's profoundly easy to be a heretic. A simple and honest difference of opinion can make you a heretic. Accordingly, everyone is a heretic in some way, somehow and some manner. For over a thousand years of the Catholic Church's domination, anyone who had a personal belief that was contrary to what the Catholic Church believed and taught was a heretic. Even the belief that the world is round was an act of heresy. History also shows the Holy Roman Catholic Church had many inquisitions. History records the Catholic Inquisitions were primarily driven by the lust for power and the lust for money.

The Catholic Church's hatred for perceived heretics, and the punishment of heretics, was far greater than the Church's violent actions against perceived infidels; that is, people of other world religions. Heresy was a capital crime, and the only form of execution was to be burned at the stake. History also records that while most heretics were quickly consumed by fire, some heretics were slowly roasted, thus taking hours to finally kill the victim. I don't think there was any fear greater than the fear created by the proclamation of a new Catholic Inquisition, and there were many Catholic Inquisitions in search of heretics. This is extremely profound and fearful because it's so incredibly easy to be a heretic. Anyone who openly and actively pursues The Cosmic Truth becomes highly vulnerable to accusations of heresy. Much to the detriment and retardation of Western Civilization, the Catholic Church suppressed the pursuit of truth, especially The Cosmic Truth regarding scientific endeavors.

## The History of America's Prejudicial Fanaticism

Lastly, the Catholic Church was not the only Christian institutions that caused great pain and misery upon their fellow sentient human beings. The Protestant Christians actively connived to justify their blatant murders of Catholics and the exercise of slavery. The Christian Religion Wars occurred throughout Europe, but they were especially violent in the English Isle and Ireland. And this was the European thought regarding the Institution of Slavery. "Well, slavery's in the Bible so it must be acceptable to God to have an Institution of Slavery." The cold, black heart of mankind's dark side can justify mankind's most hideous and violent actions. And of course, America also actively participated in the Institution of Slavery. Emphatically speaking, this is America's bleakest chapter in their short history, whereby the consequences of slavery are still painfully realized today. And the heart of this atrocity was and is racial bigotry. If the Institution of Slavery was somehow reinstated in America today, I wonder what percentage of Americans would be hard core abolitionists? Yet, hate crimes still occur throughout America, and the residue of the Ku Klux Klan still flourishes in various parts of the nation. The KKK was

America's domestic terrorists, waving a Bible in one hand while lighting a cross with the other hand. And I thought a cross is supposed to be a symbol of love, forgiveness and reconciliation, but the KKK made it a living symbol of dreaded, agonizing fear.

Ever since our Founding Fathers, one eye of the American collective has always been closed in its practice of the foundational backbone of American Democracy, that being "All men are created equal." Hopefully, that once closed eye is now at least half way opened and America has moved closer to the center of the democratic path of brotherly love, morality and tolerance. And in doing so, the majority of Americans have also moved closer to the intentional will of our GBLC. Only before our Creator are all sentient human beings created equal, and that equality is directly reflected by the equal measure of God's love for all His children. And be sure to realize this great truth. God's children include all races, all nations, all cultures, all religions, all genders, all sexual orientations, and all other means of human comparison and social division. Meanwhile, never forget the pain and suffering that religious fanaticism has poured upon mankind. Always beware of the religious fanatic who falsely invokes the name of God in his active pursuit of his malevolent religious, political and social ideologies.

## **The Man-In-Moment Factor (The MIM Factor)**

It's very important to realize we're not our forefathers, and we're especially not our ancient forefathers. Accordingly, we're not obligated to believe and practice what our forefathers believed and practiced, especially what our ancient forefathers believed and practiced. And this especially applies to religious beliefs and practices. Throughout mankind's history, religious beliefs have always been saturated with superstition. As a result, irrationality ruled mankind's ancient religions. Even today, old religious superstitions significantly influence mankind's religions. However, as time passed, mankind became more enlightened in all areas of mankind's domains. This includes mankind's social, religious, political and economic domains. Surely and truly, mankind has evolved far beyond his forefathers, and especially beyond his ancient forefathers.

Now, every generation is subject to the social, religious, political and economic systems that prevail at the moment of the generation's existence. Accordingly, every generation is subject to their specific "man-in-moment factor," which I abbreviate as "the MIM Factor." As an example, mankind today would not begin to tolerate and allow the institution of slavery. However, in the long standing run of history, the institution of slavery was a highly acceptable practice among all of mankind's emerging societies and empires. The former active practice of slavery was a man-in-moment factor. Today's active exclusion of the allowance of the institution of slavery is today's man-in-moment factor. Nevertheless, it's well documented that the limited practice of slavery still exists in certain undeveloped parts of the world. Not all is well in the world, especially where mankind's ancient malevolent beliefs are still practiced.

Here's the point I'm trying to make. Every generation evolves beyond the evil and vile man-in-moment factors of their forefathers. Mankind today, as an evolving global civilization, is a much improved cosmic entity than our forefathers, and especially our ancient forefathers. Evil and vile man-in-moment factors of mankind's past were allowed by our loving Creator, and that's because our Creator knew the upper limits of our forefathers' spiritual potential. But as mankind evolves into a higher spiritual being, our Creator expects more from His enhanced and enlightened children. It's mankind's constant responsibility to improve and enhance his man-made religions. Old beliefs and practices that are degrading and depraving to others must be eradicated and quietly purged from human practice. In a similar manner, all man-made religions must grow in truth, in spirit, in love, in patience, in kindness, in morality, in righteousness, and in world peace. Today's Children of Humanity has been given an abundance of spiritual enlightenment. And to whom much has been given, much is required.

# Theology, Science And Personal Belief

This has actually been a theological discussion, whereby the word "theological" means "of, pertaining to, or involved with theology." So then, what does the word "theology" mean? The root syllable "theo" comes from the ancient Greek word "theos," which is the Greek word for "god." My dictionary spells the word "god" with a lower case "g." When is it proper and correct to use an upper case "G" versus a lower case "g"? Accordingly, the word "theology" literally means "the study of God." My dictionary has two meaningful definitions for the word "theology": (1) the field of study, thought, and analysis which deals with God, His attributes, and His relations to the universe; and (2) the science or study of divine things or religious truth. It's noted that the capitalization of the words "God" and "His" are directly from my dictionary. Note also that the second definition defines "theology" as "the science."

I find it extremely interesting how theology and science are interrelated. First, scientific type beliefs that are so readily accepted today were once religious heresies that resulted in public execution by being burned to death. On the other hand, I never heard a minister, priest or a rabbi declare they're scientists actively involved in the study of God. If theology is a science, then is religion also a science? Yet, my dictionary defines theology to be the science of divine things and religious truth. And that makes sense to me! Yet, I always heard religion and science are at odds with each other and are mostly incompatible. Also, it seems to me most hardcore scientists tend to be atheists and macro evolutionists. Are the words "theory" and "theology" related?

Perhaps religion and science are truly related because they're both Institutions of Faith. The truth is many people put their faith in science. My train of thought focuses upon one great question. Where do you place your faith and trust – in God or in science? Of course, it's realized the Institution of Science is a man-made Institution. Therefore, the faith and trust in science is actually the faith and trust in mankind, an obviously flawed and

imperfect creature. On the other hand, I do believe theology and science are overcoming their natural, historical conflicts and differences. Theology and science are definitely coming closer together. And I firmly believe the scientific pursuit of truth will one day have a reasonable faith in the living reality of mankind's Creator. I already believe the reality of God makes much more plausible sense than the random and tenuous act of macro evolution. So then, if theology is a branch of science, then is science a branch of theology? Now, imagine that! Science is actually a religion onto itself.

## The Expanded Spectrum of the Study of God

Finally, there are many interesting English words that are derived from the root word "theo." Here's a list of such words along with their definitions. Again, I have been careful to copy the definitions as my dictionary defines these various words. Be sure to note when the word "god" is spelled with the lower case "g" versus an upper case "G". Also, sometimes the word "gods" is specifically used. It appears to me the use of the word "God" is very subjective, arbitrary and preferential. What's really meant by this word "God?" Whoops! I mean "god." And is it ever correct to use the word "gods" or the word "Gods?" It seems to me theology is Divinely Baffling!

- 1. <u>Theocracy</u>: a system of government by a religious order.
- 2. <u>Theodicy</u>: a vindication of divine attributes, such as holiness and justice, in allowing or establishing the existence of physical and moral evil.
- 3. <u>Theogony</u>: the origin of the gods.
- 4. <u>Theolatry</u>: the worship of a deity.
- 5. Theomachy: a battle with or among the gods.

- 6. <u>Theomania</u>: insanity in which a person believes himself to be God or chosen by God.
- 7. Theopathy: religious emotion excited by the contemplation of God.
- 8. Theophany: a manifestation or appearance of God to man.
- Theosophy: any of various forms of philosophical or religious thought in which claim is made to a mystical insight into the divine nature or divine revelations.

If you're like me, you never heard of most of these words. I can't even properly pronounce the words. Have you ever heard of the words "hagiocracy" and "manism?" I've included these words because I believe the definitions provide food for thought that's worthy of personal reflections. Reflections of our Creator are very vast and involve many aspects to consider. Furthermore, knowledge provides its own reward for those who are internally motivated to pursue The Cosmic Truth. Lastly, I find it very interesting that my dictionary does not include the word "theophobia." But then, what would it mean? Would it mean "the fear of God," or "the fear of religion," or would it be more appropriate to mean "the fear of religious fanaticism?"

## The Love of God Versus the Fear of God

This discussion regarding theology leads to another interesting issue. Should you come to your loving Creator in love, or should you come to your loving Creator in fear? It's actively taught: "The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom." "Fear not he who can destroy the body, but fear He who can destroy the body and the soul." Few people are aware there is a positive, proactive form of fear as well as the dreaded, negative, conactive form of fear. The human drive of self-preservation is built upon proactive fear. Everyone reasonably fears that which could possibly hurt them.

Would you fear and respect cobras that live in your garden? The question to

consider is this. When does a specific fear become excessive, thus growing into a detrimental state of a phobia? A dysfunctional phobia creates a dysfunctional sentient mind which then leads to a dysfunctional sentient human being. Too much fear can be a very dangerous thing. But then, can too much love be a very dangerous thing? Can and does our Creator excessively love His children? I don't believe that's true because TSG Love also concerns itself with the obligation of fulfilling the Responsibilities of Life. Fulfilling the Responsibilities of Life leads a person to a sensation of fulfillment and satisfaction. In reflection of these thoughts, consider the following reflections.

- 1. The Natural Fear of Theocracy: The word "theocracy" conjures fear for many people, especially Democracians. Wherever you see theocracy, theophobia quickly follows. Surely and truly, history has proven that it's very good to separate Church and State, but that does not mean you should isolate and insulate the Church from the State. In addition, there are in this world some theocracies that are very gracious, benevolent and loving.
- 2. The Natural Fear of Theomania: Theomania also causes theophobia, especially for the daily citizen who incurs the primary wrath of loveless religious fanatics who declare themselves to be God's chosen ones, and especially God's holy warriors. If there are holy warriors in heaven, then there must also be holy wars in heaven. Otherwise, what would heavenly warriors do if there were no wars in heaven? On the hand, would heaven really be heaven if there were wars in heaven, for I always heard heaven is a place where there are no wars and no death.
- 3. The Natural Fear of Theopathy: Theopathy creates fear in many people, especially when you see TV news coverage showing religious fanatics in a wild and crazy emotional state; that is, a religious frenzy. All intellectual powers are enslaved to emotional passions when a person enters into a psychological state of theopathy. When the normal psychological guards are totally suppressed, the horrifying beast that slumbers within the soul of man is then released, and delirious chaos quickly follows. All rational, sensible and logical senses are extinguished, and the ability to exercise true, genuine love becomes

impossible. It makes me wonder if theopathy is the main ingredient in the psychological nature of the MIF's, especially when they kill others by blowing themselves to pieces. On the other hand, I know the power of deep-seated revenge twists the mind and warp the soul of anyone who vigorously pursues revenge. To the MIF's, revenge is a duty and an obligation to Allah.

4. Fulfilling Allah's Intentional Will: Isn't heaven supposed to be governed by patience, kindness, care, concern, compassion, love, tolerance, peace, harmony and tranquility? And aren't these ethereal elements also the attributes of Allah? And aren't the Children of Humanity supposed to emulate Allah? Surely and truly, patience, kindness, care, concern, compassion, love, tolerance, peace, harmony and tranquility are attributes that should be emulated by every person on earth. This includes the Democracians and the MIF's. I have come to believe in one profound truth. If all religionists would first and sincerely pursue the intentional will of our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator, then patience, kindness, care, concern, compassion, love, tolerance, peace, harmony and tranquility would flow upon the nations like a gentle rain that flows upon a parched land. This would surely create pleasures and prosperity that all sentient human beings could and should enjoy. Thereby, we're all encouraged by our GBLC to choose love and not fear; for in the final analysis, love and fear is all there really is.

# The Good and Simple Beauty of Benevolent Religions

In spite of the negative history of world religions and the current fanaticism of the Islamic MIF's, it's very important to embrace the potential goodness and value of mankind's organized world religions. All of the negative perspectives of religion that I have addressed are not really representative of the intended elements of true, sincere and genuine theistic religion. The brutal acts of belligerent religionists are the consequences of fanatical religious maniacs; that is, theomaniacs. Theomaniacs use religion

as a means to fulfill their lusts for power, money and other wanton elements that mankind selfishly craves. It's emphatically stated that religion within itself is not bad or evil. Evil is derived from the hearts of men, not from the doctrines and dogmas of organized religions. You must always remember that a fanatic is a fanatic whether he's a religious fanatic or a secular fanatic.

When a religion embraces, affirms and promotes the pursuit of The Cosmic Truth and the exercise of Cosmic Love, morality, tolerance and self-discipline, then the religion properly and beneficially serves mankind. Clearly in my mind and spirit, I see mankind's world religions consistently leading their followers to the enlightenment of truth and love. And this truly is a good thing; in fact, it's a very, very good thing. Beyond any doubt, there are billions of People of Faith who are truly loving, caring, concerned and compassionate, thus making them a tremendous benefit to all of mankind. And these good, beautiful People of Faith come from all religious affiliations, especially including Islam, Judaism and Christianity – these three being the center of the world's Great Religious Conflict.

Hopefully, I have succeeded in explaining why I have some very serious misgivings about the word "God." Nevertheless, the living reality of our Creator is not diminished or altered just because I don't like the word "God," or because of the malicious history of world religions, or because of the current malicious actions of the Islamic MIF's. Most unfortunately, evil religious fanatics have given our Creator a very bad reputation to many people. In spite of this negative perspective of world religions, here's the profound truth that you must seriously and reverently consider.

Mankind's Creator either exists or He doesn't exist; but if He does exist, then you better seriously and reverently stop and think about it. Now is the time to reflect and ponder upon our GBLC's essence and nature. Does our Creator really exist? Is our Creator the essence and nature of love, and is His love perfect? Is the Lord of Life honorable? And has He earned the right to have your heartfelt gratitude and praise? Perhaps now is the time to pray and meditate. Listen to the whisper of your

Creator. "Be still and know that I am." Only by prayer and meditation can you exercise your sentient faculty of spiritual intuition. And only by your exercise of spiritual intuition will you be able to sense the living reality of our gracious, benevolent, and loving Creator. And in the end what shall you gain? You shall gain the awesome power and the magnificent glory of Cosmic Love.

My friends, I hope you reverently consider the awesome reality of mankind's Creator, and in the process of your considerations you have a spiritual experience that leads you to the inner knowledge and certainty of the existence of our GBLC. But if this is not the case, then you still have to face the decision to embrace unconditional true-love or to reject it. I sincerely hope you find the Wisdom of True-Love to be your greatest asset and that you then exercise true-love for your ultimate benefit and for the ultimate benefit of those you love. To all my friends I say, let us all **Luv & Liv** to our fullest capacity.

### Part 3

## You Are A Sentient Human Being

## Introduction

Let's stop and think, reflect and ponder upon the essence and nature of "the human being." What is the fundamental essence and nature of a human being? To reflect upon our human nature and our human experience is actually an exercise of self-examination by inner personal reflections. You can also learn very much about yourself by observing your fellow human beings. This includes human beings that are currently alive as well as human beings of the past. By participating in this cognitive exercise we also take heed of the Wiseman's warning: "An unexamined life is not worth living." So then, what are the fundamental concepts of the life-nature of the Children of Humanity? As recorded in history, the vast majority of mankind's deep-thinkers have one common conclusion.

Mankind is no mere animal, nor is mankind some glorified form of an animal. Mankind is a personified life-entity that far exceeds the essence and nature of the animal kingdom. Mankind's true essence and nature originates within the spiritual kingdom; thus discerning the difference between the personification of mankind (a state of an ethereal spirit and soul) and the animation of mankind (a state of a glorified, corporeal animal). Accordingly, mankind has faculties of spiritual senses that are far different from corporeal animals. These special senses allow the human being to sense the spiritual world and its ethereal nature. And it's in the spiritual world where mankind discovers his true identity. Mankind is a life-force that's capable of readily changing himself, other sentient human beings, and his environment.

## **The Sentient Human Being**

The essence and nature of humanity is something very special. If you seriously stop and think, reflect and ponder, then you come to realize you're a Child of Humanity, and collectively, we are the Children of Humanity. Mankind is specially created with a specific meaning, value and purpose that's unique within the Cosmos. By virtue of your existence, **you are a sentient human being**. And when you finally realize and internalize this great truth, then you confidently evolve to know you're on the path to understanding the MVP of Life; that is, the meaning, value and purpose of life. So then, what does the word "sentient" really mean, and what does it mean to be a "sentient human being?

### **Definition of the Word "Sentient"**

As an adjective, the word "sentient" means: (1) having power of perception by the senses; and (2) characterized by sensation. As a noun, the word "sentient" means: (1) one who or that which is sentient; and (2) the conscious mind. It's noted that the sentient nature is addressed as sentient senses and sentient powers, and the most powerful sentient sense is the sense of <u>spiritual intuition</u>.

Accordingly, sentient human beings have personal powers that give them the ability to sense their environment – both their tangible, visible environment and their intangible, invisible environment. In other words, you have the power to sense your celestial, spiritual world. Furthermore, your sentient nature includes your conscious mind and your subconscious mind, which collectively is called the sentient mind. Your sentient mind allows you to discern The Cosmic Truth with faithful confidence. Accordingly, it's very important to realize you have an abundance of senses that far exceeds the physical senses of sight, sound, smell, taste and touch. You also have ethereal senses that include emotional senses, intellectual senses, volitional senses, moral senses, spiritual senses, and other ethereal senses that you're not even aware of – at least not yet. As an example, when you have an important decision to make regarding an important element of

your life, and you reject one possible choice because "it just doesn't feel right," that's your sentient senses helping you make the best decision. In a similar manner, you may respond to your decision making by saying "I just want to sleep on it." That too is your sentient senses helping you make the best decision. Your sentient mind has the ability to keep working even while you're sleeping.

### **Definition of a "Sentient Human Being"**

A "sentient human being" is a higher level, sentient cosmic life-entity and life-force that:

- 1. Possesses intelligence, volition, emotions and free-will.
- 2. Is a unique, distinct and autonomous personality in the Cosmos.
- 3. Is aware and conscious of one's self-existence and self-identity.
- 4. Has mental and sentient powers that are critically enhanced by physical and ethereal senses, thus being capable of achieving higher levels of cosmic understanding.

The Children of Humanity are truly elevated beings of the Cosmos, thus being sentient creatures that are far above the animal kingdom. If this becomes a conviction of your heart, then you take a great stride forward to achieving personal self-value, self-worth, self-esteem, and even self-love. All four of these inner personal, ethereal elements are very critical to personal fulfillment and satisfaction. I call then the Four Jewels of the Soul. Accordingly, you're now on a path to securing the deep-seated, internal sensations of sentient satisfaction and fulfillment. These are ethereal possessions of the soul and spirit, and these are the greatest possessions any sentient being can possess.

## **Sentient Senses and ESP**

The science of psychology calls mankind's ethereal senses "extra sensory perception," better known as ESP. Everyone has some level of ESP, even if that level is too minimal to readily detect. Also, the minimum threshold sensation of ESP is a very mundane sensation; a sensation so mundane that we don't readily detect it. It's exactly like breathing. How often are you self-aware of your breathing? You become aware of your breathing only under certain circumstances. Likewise, you become aware of your ESP only under certain circumstances. Have you ever had a deep-seated feeling or sensation that you can't explain and you just can't shake? People who consistently practice prayer and meditation often talk about deep-seated sensations that they personally contribute to the spiritual realm. That's your mundane power of ESP communicating with yourself.

The truth is everyone has some level of ESP that's simply revealed by the ethereal powers of prayer and meditation. The ethereal powers of prayer and meditation are not superstitious mumbo-jumbo, but are a real human phenomenon that's well documented by scientific investigation. You only need to exercise your sentient powers to know this is The Cosmic Truth. Those who consistently exercise the powers of prayer and meditation understand more, achieve more, succeed more, fail less, fear less, and complain less. They're on a path to understanding the MVP of Life, and thus live life with an immense sense of satisfaction and fulfillment. These people truly are on a path of spiritual enlightenment. Now, how about you? Do you live life with a sense of satisfaction and fulfillment? Would you like to live life with an immense sense of satisfaction and fulfillment? Then start exercising your ethereal senses.

Collectively, your physical and ethereal senses are your sentient senses; and when they're effectively exercised, they become the reflective powers of your sentient mind. This is a spiritual power that goes far beyond the simple perceptions of your physical environment. This is an inner personal power that allows you to perceive your ethereal environment, thus enabling you to reflect, contemplate and wonder about your spirit, your soul,

and your very existence. The exercise of your sentient reflections is the utilization of your spiritual intuition. Truly and surely, the ethereal power of spiritual intuition is the primary sentient faculty that separates mankind from animal.

## Sentient Human Beings and Sentient Beings

Sentient human beings are a specific subgroup of sentient beings. And I personally believe the Cosmos is full of a wide variety of different types of sentient beings. As an example, angels and demons are a specific subgroup of sentient beings. Of course, it's a popular belief throughout the world that angels and demons are the same type of sentient being. The only difference between the two types is a function of loyalty to their Creator. Demons are considered to be fallen angels who willfully chose to rebel against their Celestial Creator. I also believe the Cosmos contains many different types of sentient beings that will absolutely astound the Children of Humanity once we learn of these magnificent sentient beings.

If you stop and think about life in the Cosmos, it can easily "blow your mind." Is sentient life scattered throughout the Cosmos, and if it is, then how many types of sentient beings has The Lord of Life created? Does He create creatures that are not sentient and autonomous but still human in nature? Are robots an active element within the Cosmos, and are there robots with true emotions and volition? Are there humanoid type creatures with artificial intelligence but lacking emotions and free-will? Everyone is aware of and awed by stories of angels and demons, the ET phenomenon, and all of the SciFi stories that are told in movies and on television. And the make-up artists receive Oscars and Emmys for the wonderful creatures they design and create including aliens, predators and Jedi Knights. But what types of creatures really do exist within the Cosmos? Is the Cosmos filled with malevolent creatures as well as benevolent creatures?

As a result of my personal reflections, I have come to believe mankind is a very unique creature within the Cosmos and was created for a very special and specific purpose. There are many stories throughout antiquity of a heavenly rebellion against God. Were the Children of Humanity created for the specific purpose of demonstrating our Creator's mercy and reconciliatory love, thus proving to the rebellious beings that God is love? I sense these wayward creatures are sentient beings, but not sentient human beings. By exercise of my spiritual intuition, I do sense there's an element of truth regarding this matter.

Have you ever wondered how many planets like earth are in the Cosmos? I personally like the concept that planet earth is a "birth sphere;" that is, a terrestrial planet specifically used for the creation and development of sentient human beings. The Children of Humanity are developed for the specific purpose of being active and creative collaborators with their Celestial Father. The best is yet to come for those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their Creator. I also sense there are many birth spheres within the Cosmos. I once read in an old college text book on astronomy that our galaxy has over a billion stars and the universe has over a billion galaxies. With the advent of the Hubble telescope, these defined quantities have increased astronomically. The vastness of our galaxy is beyond human comprehension, thus making any grasp of the universe totally and absolutely meaningless to the human mind. That's why I use the word "Cosmos," which my intentional use of the word means "a complete, orderly, and harmonious system." Is our Creator's Cosmos just our galaxy or the entire universe? I surely don't know the answer to this question, and it doesn't really matter to me. For me personally, our galaxy is sufficient size to serve all of my eternity.

Just for fun, let's estimate how many birth spheres may exist within our galaxy. Let's allow there to be one billion stars (1,000,000,000) in our

galaxy. Let's also allow just one percent (0.01) of those stars to have a planet with the ability to sustain human life that's similar to our planet earth. The answer is then calculated as follows.

 $1,000,000,000 \times 0.01 = 10,000,000$  (ten million birth spheres)

Now, that's a lot of birth spheres. And what would be the various appearances of the sentient human beings that are born and evolved on these ten million birth spheres? Could there be physical creatures that evolved from birds, or fish, or cats, or dogs, or insects, or whatever your imagination can dream? The SciFi industry has already done a pretty good job exercising their imaginations. At the conclusion of my reflections regarding this little exercise, I'm left in a state of awe and my mind recalls one of Apostle Paul's greatest statements. I have expanded the original statement by using some of my own terminology. "What the eye has not seen, or the ear has heard, or that which can be conceived in the hearts of mankind, awaits those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their Creator." Reflect deeply upon your sentient nature and your special place in the Cosmos. You are of great value and great potential that's truly worthy of a child of your Divine Creator. Look forward and with great optimistic joy to the world-tocome. Again I say, our best is yet to come and is patiently awaiting those who embrace love in it full power and glory. Finally, let me ask you just one last question. How many birth spheres do you want to visit as a celestial star treker?

# Sentient Human Beings and the Meaning of Life

What is life really all about, and can I make any sense of life? What is the real meaning, value and purpose of life? You'll never encounter more perplexing questions than these Life Questions. And everyone knows there's no objective, definitive and finite answers to these soulful questions. The answers are always personal and fall within the realm of soft, subjective, preferential beliefs versus the realm of hard, objective, factual knowledge. Nevertheless, you should never stop searching for the answers

to these questions just because the task is filled with personal difficulty and intellectual uncertainty. It's our sentient nature to pursue an understanding of the meaning, the value and the purpose of live.

Deep within your heart you already know life is a difficult struggle. In fact, I believe we're born to struggle, whereby those who are the strongest are usually the ones who struggle the most. That in itself is a key element in understanding the MVP of Life. Ultimately, you learn that understanding is not necessarily an achievement, but instead, it's a goal. For many people, it's the process of achieving the goal that's most memorable and valuable. Living life is an experience onto itself, and each of us is called to glean all that we can learn from our individual life experiences. In this manner we build up our confidence in our understanding of life. On the other hand, there are some people who secure an unshakeable confidence in achieving their personal answers to these great Life Questions. You can even see this in their eyes, their body language, and the way they talk and walk. I call this phenomenon "the grace of ultra spiritual confidence." Meanwhile, it's important to know and remember that "the threshold of spiritual confidence" is a magnificent reward onto itself. And this is something that's easily achieved simply by exercising your spiritual intuition. While life remains to be a difficult struggle, it's much easier to bear when you're truly committed to understanding the MVP of Life.

# Sentient Human Beings and Spiritual Activation

What is the mechanism that leads to spiritual enlightenment and which is then followed by spiritual activation? This is my personal answer to this important and critical question. The internalization of mankind's spirituality can be called "the germination of the Word of Truth." Let The Cosmic Truth take root in your spirit and soul. The germination of the Word of Truth is all that's required for a sentient human being to become spiritually enlightened; or in other words, to become "spiritually activated." To the chagrin of many, this is what Christianity calls "to be

born again." I deeply believe mankind is first born of the flesh and is then hopefully born of the spirit. And it's good and important to know there are many doorways that lead to spiritual activation.

As a spiritualist, I want to address Christianity's excessive and unduly use of the phrase "born again." I personally believe Christianity doesn't have a monopoly on heaven or the access to our Creator. The excessive proselytization by "self-professed born again Christians" is often perceived as being obnoxiously self-assertive and irritatingly obtrusive. And of course, not all Christians have this obtrusive born again dogmatic mentality. To truly love your neighbor you must first be sensitive, tolerant and respectful of your neighbor's spiritual and religious beliefs. I also deeply believe in the democratic doctrine regarding the Freedom of Religion: "Each according to the dictates of his own conscience." In the reflection of this matter, I personally favor the phrase "spiritual activation" instead of the phrase "born again." All true and loving theists are spiritually activated sentient human beings, and it doesn't matter which man-made religion (if any) the theist is associated with. In addition, I personally believe you don't even have to be a self-proclaimed theist in order to be spiritually activated.

Now, spiritual activation is achieved by the exercise of a person's sentient senses of sight or sound. This includes celestial sensations of sight and sound as well as terrestrial sensations of sight and sound. Accordingly, the germination of the Word of Truth occurs within the spiritual mind and not the physical mind. And it doesn't matter if you envision the Word of Truth or if hear the Word of Truth. In other words, seeing is believing, and let those with ears hear. Either sentient sensation is usually effective and equally effective. Now, how do you know you've been spiritually activated? Spiritual activation becomes a state of being which is actively interested in the well-being of all other people and of Life itself. A spiritually activated person is very interested in The Cosmic Truth and consistently exercises true, sincere and genuine love. In addition, your sense of spiritual intuition becomes attuned to The Cosmic Truth. You literally come to know The Cosmic Truth with spiritual certainty. And you too can recognize a spiritually activated person by their attributes of concern, care and compassion. These are attributes of a person of good, moral, tolerant and

loving character. Spiritual activation directly leads to good character. Now, how about you? Are you a spiritually enlightened and spiritually activated? Do you want to be spiritually enlightened and spiritually activated?

## Sentient Human Beings And Good, Moral Character

When you stop and ponder about your personal life experiences then you realize there are external life forces that forge your personal life experiences. Upon further contemplations you become aware these personal life experiences provide the basis for your personal perspectives of life. Now, realize this great truth. Your personal perspectives of life forge your deep-seated beliefs and paradigms that become manifested into your thoughts, your words, and your deeds. This is a reflection of your **inner personhood**, which is readily known and understood by your loving Creator. It's also very important to know sentient human beings cannot conceal lies or deceptions from their omniscient Creator. Now, your words and deeds also define the essence and nature of your character. This is a reflection of your **outer personhood**, which is readily known and understood by your fellow sentient human beings. Here's a very important question to consider. Does your outer personhood match your inner personhood? Are you "true to yourself," or are you a loathsome hypocrite?

Be sure to grasp the extreme subjectivity of the phrase "personal life experiences." It's self-evident that all personal perspectives of life are saturated with personal subjectivity. This is why no two people believe and think exactly alike. There are always some variations of personal perspectives of life. Such variations range from very minor differences to very major differences. Sometimes these differences can even be diametrically opposing differences which may ultimately lead to physical confrontation. Too often the evil ethereal forces of belligerent animosity conquer the sentient mind. Have you ever had your sentient mind emotionally hijacked, whereby you say things and do things that you eventually regret? The difficulties and frustrations of life can make any

person's "mind snap." Truly, life is a difficult struggle. And for people with a sentient disability, life's struggles can be very challenging. Nevertheless, each individual person is responsible for the person they become. You are responsible for your own character and the person you are.

Now, what are the ethereal elements that cause the differences between personal perspectives of life? Truly and surely, some perspectives of life are founded upon truth and righteousness while other perspectives of life are founded upon falsehoods and distortions, and sometimes outright, bold, black lies and intentional deceptions. All too often a person selfishly believes what he or she wants to believe even though their beliefs are unjustly detrimental to other people. The objective truth is self-evident to a healthy sentient mind, but the disabled sentient mind creates suffering and misery to innocent victims as well as themselves. Could this difference of mentality be the source for the dichotomy of good and evil? As an example, malicious murder is objectively self-evident to be an evil and unrighteous act. But what is the murderer's thought process that leads the murderer to commit such a dastardly act? What motivates a murderer, and why did the murderer allow his character become an agent of life's dark side? On the other hand, why does a good and noble person choose to pursue truth and to exercise love?

In reflections of this great dichotomy, I've come to believe the understanding of the MVP of Life is founded upon two basic principles: (1) the true, sincere and genuine pursuit of The Cosmic Truth; and (2) the true, sincere and genuine acceptance of The Cosmic Truth. Too many people refuse to believe The Cosmic Truth in spite of its objective self-evidence. Subsequently, they live life in a state of self-denial. I should also note that it's highly obvious and self-evident that The Cosmic Truth is not always objective or self-evident. On the other hand, there are times and conditions when The Cosmic Truth is objective and self-evident, such as in the case of malicious murder. Where objectivity ends and subjectivity begins can be very difficult to discern and is often a source of hot, contentious arguments. And such arguments are usually the result of diametrically opposing ideologies. Lastly, you have to wonder if a sentient mind is subject to sentient damage, thus creating a defective and dysfunctional sentient human being. As an example, what drives a person to be a mass murderer, a serial

killer, a vicious rapist, a malevolent pedophile, or any other form of sadistic degradation and depravation? Are they beyond help, cure and reconciliation? Surely, these sentiently defective persons are the reprobates of society.

I truly wish terrestrial life was free of the natural physical and sentient defects that plague mankind. This may not totally eliminate evil, but it would go a long way to negating a significant portion of the effects of evil. Meanwhile, each child of humanity must face the great challenges and difficulties of life. But you don't have to face the difficulties of life alone. We must work together to help nullify the powers of evil and to promote the development of good character. We need all the good, righteous, moral, tolerant and loving sentient human beings which the Children of Humanity can muster. And we must always provide a living hope that every person has the ability to overcome all of their disadvantages which the terrestrial life has dealt them. This is the power of the pursuit of truth and the exercise of love. Let this great paradigm be the basis for the development of your character. By embracing this loving paradigm, then you'll never allow the negative elements of life be the forces that forge your character.

## Spiritual Disposition And the Human Heart

Let's stop and consider the essence and nature of mankind's spiritual disposition. There are three types of spiritual disposition: the atheist, the agnostic and the theist. Here's a simple and general description of each respective archetype. An atheist is a person who adamantly believes mankind's Creator does not exist. An agnostic is a person who lacks significant confidence that mankind's Creator does, or does not, exist. A theist is a person who adamantly believes mankind's Creator does exist. These three specific "master-beliefs" are associated with the heart of the individual and the motivation of the individual.

- 1. The Atheist: In a truly spiritual sense, an atheist has "**no-heart**" for mankind's Creator, and therefore has "no motivation" to have a relationship with mankind's Creator. As a result, the atheist has an "independent relationship" with mankind's Creator. The phrase "independent relationship" is actually an oxymoron in that an independent relationship is absolutely void of any type of relationship. If there was any form of a relationship, then that would terminate the independent relationship and would then form a dependent relationship. Another perplexing element of the atheist is this. If mankind's Creator does not exist, then how can you even have an independent relationship? You can't have any type of relationship with something that doesn't exist. Needless to say, an atheist is totally void of theistic faith, and therefore, has never exerted his or hers sense of spiritual intuition. Consequently, the atheist's spirit has never been enlightened and activated. As a general rule, you can recognize an atheist by their deepseated cynical and pessimistic nature.
- 2. The Agnostic: An agnostic only has a "half-heart" for mankind's Creator, and therefore only has an "external motivation" to have a relationship with the Creator. As a result, the agnostic has a "dependent **relationship**" with the Creator. External motivation is the condition where a reward is given for achieving a specified behavior. As an example, a child who is given money for achieving good school grades is externally motivated. If you take away the reward and the child's grades drop, then you know for certain the child was externally motivated. Relationships that involve external motivation are always conditional relationships. Such relationships are "dependent" upon the external reward. The agnostic's uncertainty of achieving his or hers desired reward becomes the root cause of the agnostic's uncertain and vacillating theistic faith. The agnostic's attempts at exercising his or hers spiritual intuition consistently fails as a result of their anemic faith. As a general rule, you can recognize an agnostic by their excessive skepticism and their highly diminished optimistic nature.
- 3. <u>The Theist</u>: The theist has a "**whole-heart**" for mankind's loving Creator, and therefore has an "**internal motivation**" to have a relationship with the Lord of Life. As a result, the theist has an "**interdependent relationship**" with the Creator. First, internal

motivation is the condition where an internalized reward is obtained from achieving a desired condition. In other words, internal motivation is self-rewarding. A child who gets good school grades simply because such grades are self-rewarding is an example of an internally motivated student. Second, an interdependent relationship is a relationship that is mutually rewarding to all parties of the relationship. An interdependent relationship involves mutual collaboration whereby all parties mutually benefit from the relationship. Accordingly, an interdependent relationship with our loving Creator is self-rewarding within itself. The theist adamantly wants to be in the presence of our loving Creator and wants to participate in the Creator's life affairs. And a true, sincere and genuine theist finds ineffable satisfaction and fulfillment simply by being a part of the Creator's celestial family. Our loving Creator always does His best to make His children feel welcomed and comfortable in His Mansion of Love. Can you imagine meeting and greeting other sentient beings that come from the far flung corners of the Cosmos? As a general rule, you can recognize a theist by their deep-seated and highly confident faith and their highly optimistic nature.

Most unfortunately, our Creator's wayward children feel immense discomfort in His presence. Even the thought of being in His presence creates feelings of immense discomfort. Is this because of the Creator's feelings of disappointment in His wayward child, or is it because the wayward child deeply feels shame, guilt and embarrassment? But where are the feelings of regret, remorse and repentance? Regret, remorse and repentance are the three R's of the cosmic course titled "Introductory Spirituality." Deep-seated feelings of imperfection and the lack of self-worth, self-value and self-esteem can depress anyone and leave them in a state of loss. And dwelling within their mind is a question that keeps repeating itself like a broken record: "Why didn't I give my whole-heart to my loving Creator?"

Truly, the benevolent nature of life is self-evident and leads directly to the living reality of our Creator. Where there's truth, there's our GBLC. Where there's love, there's our GBLC. Where there's goodness, righteousness and beauty, there too you'll find our GBLC. And where

there's hope, faith, morality, tolerance, concern, care, compassion, patience and kindness, there also is our GBLC. Each one of these ethereal qualities is like a directional sign placed along the side of life's great cosmic highway. And here's the real directional message on each sign: "This is the way to personal satisfaction, fulfillment and enlightenment."

Now, when you find yourself lost – and everyone gets lost somewhere, someway, somehow and some time – remember this great truth. Our Creator's love is absolutely patient and ultimately kind. Even before the closed gates of heaven, the Creator's offer of love's reconciliation is unconditional and without limit. If you truly desire the simple goodness, beauty and benevolence of life, then listen carefully and intently to the Creator's loving encouragement, for our Creator speaks softly and subtlety to the human spirit and soul. This is what He says to those in need of reconciliation: "This was not your best game, and I know you can do better – much better. But the game is not yet over. Would you like to stay in the game and do your best?" Truly and surely, the game of life is worth playing, and only those who are willing to play have the opportunity to be a winner. In the game of life, what are you going to be – an active and appreciative participant, or a passive and disgruntled participant, or a lethargic and apathetic spectator? The choice is solely yours. Be sure to answer wisely.

## Sentient Discontentment, Resentment and Contempt

Every sentient human being is exposed to internalized sensations of discontentment, resentment and contemp. Everyone has experienced these three powerful ethereal attributes, but most people overcome the negative and hostile feelings of discontentment, resentment and contemp. However, if you allow your mind to dwell upon these toxic sentient poisons, then you can easily become emotionally overwhelmed. You literally lose control of your mind. To lose control of your mind is to lose control of your intellect and volition, which are the sources of your rationality and sensibility. And without the attributes of rationality and sensibility, the mind

becomes corrupted, which then leads to a defective sentient mind, and ultimately to a dysfunctional sentient mind. In the end, this type of toxic person enters into a state of cynicism, and they become a true-cynic. This is a truly wretched state of being in which despair rules the person's mind and they become totally void of hope. A life without hope is a truly dreadful state. While atheists are most prone to this condition, agnostics can easily slip into a life of hopelessness. On the other hand, theists are naturally inoculated against cynicism because their inner life is founded upon the power of hope. But even the theist can succumb to the negative powers of discontentment, resentment and contempt.

Let's make sure we understand the meaning of these three powerful words "discontentment," "resentment" and "contemp." The word "discontentment" means "dissatisfied; or a restless desire or craving for something one does not have." If the discontentment is not overcome by the powers of rationality and sensibility, then discontentment quickly mutates into resentment. The word "resentment" means "the feeling of displeasure and indignation at some person because of a personal insult and injury caused by that person." The personal insult and injury may be real or may be a false perception. But when the mind cannot escape its obsession of the resentment, then the resentment slowly grows into contempt. As a result, I believe the atheist's relationship to mankind's Creator is ultimately based upon the atheist's contempt for our Creator. Can an atheist have contempt for mankind's Creator when he adamantly believes mankind's Creator doesn't exist? Truly, the heart of mankind works in very mysterious ways. The word "**contempt**" means: (1) the feeling with which one regards anything considered mean, vile, or worthless; (2) the state of being despised, dishonored, or disgraced; and (3) a willful disobedience to or open disrespect for higher authority. Synonyms include disdain, scorn, disapproval and disgust. Obviously, the third definition applies to the atheist's contempt for God.

## Sentient Human Beings and Sentient Freedom

I want to address a truly remarkable concept. I sincerely believe the study of mankind's history reveals one monumental conclusion. Mankind has slowly but consistently pursued and gained the awesome sentient quality we call **freedom**. It's more accurately defined as **sentient freedom**, for freedom truly is one of the primary essences of the sentient human being. In fact, I believe sentient freedom is a critical element of all sentient beings. There are two **sentient entities** that create the essence and nature of the sentient human being, these being the **human entity** and the **freedom entity**. The two entities join together to form the sentient human being. If you could remove the freedom entity from the sentient human being, then the freedom nature of the human being would cease to exist, and the human being would become a corporeal android.

Now, the human entity is typical of our Creator's celestial and terrestrial creative nature. The human entity includes the three elements of intelligence, volition and emotions. However, the freedom entity is a divine element of the sentient human being. The freedom entity is the spark of life which is given by the Lord of Life. It's by the gift of the freedom entity that mankind is created in the image of our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator. It's also mankind's freedom entity that makes the Children of Humanity sacred. And because our Creator is free, mankind too is ardently driven to be free. Mankind has always actively pursued the divine essence of his sacred and free nature. Consequently, mankind has slowly evolved to a greater and higher state of freedom. Our ultimate terrestrial state of freedom has yet to come, and it's probably beyond mankind's current powers of conception. And realize this truth also. To embrace this great truth is to become free. The Cosmic Truth shall set you free.

### **Sentient Freedom of the Mind**

The core of freedom is **the Freedom of the Mind**, or in other words, "to have a free-mind." In the purest sense, a free-mind is an open mind, whereby the sentient human being is open to the pursuit of The Cosmic Truth; that is, open to the honest consideration of all realities of the Cosmos. A truly open mind actively seeks the best for the well-being of all. Accordingly, a truly open mind actively pursues the ethereal elements that liberate the sentient mind. In addition, the open mind actively seeks to be free of falsehoods, prejudices, ignorance, superstitions, and other negative ethereal elements that enslave the sentient mind. In comparison, a closed mind creates falsehoods, prejudices, ignorance, superstitions, and other negative ethereal elements. A mind that's closed to The Cosmic Truth and all that's good and beautiful quickly becomes corrupted by the dark side of life. As history has consistently proved, closed minds have always created degradation and depravation for the People.

Where The Cosmic Truth abides, freedom and love flourish. But where The Cosmic Truth is withheld, denied or insidiously altered, then ignorance, fanaticism and tyranny flourish. Wherever you find tyranny you also find terrorism, and wherever you find terrorism you also find tyranny. It's easy to recognize tyrants and terrorists. They're the ones who treat other people with belligerent animosity. At the heart of every tyrant and terrorist is one ultra selfish motivation. They actively lust for the total domination, control, and command of the People, and especially the command of the People's minds. In their sadistic lust, tyrants and terrorists attempt to force the People to believe and act as they want the People to believe and act. The first casualty resulting from tyrants and terrorists is the death of the free-mind.

Associated with the concept of sentient freedom is the concept of "mankind's natural order," also called "mankind's natural rights," also called "mankind's inalienable rights," and also called "mankind's natural inalienable rights." However, the most popular phrase used today is "mankind's human rights." These are concepts that were incredibly dear to America's founding fathers, and remain incredibly dear to the vast majority

of Americans today. It's true to say that sentient freedom is more valuable than life itself, for many good and righteous Americans have given their last full measure of devotion in order to preserve this magnificent human entity of sentient freedom. Why do so many freedom loving sons and daughters possess the will to sacrifice for a higher cause and the greater good? It should also be noted that the pursuit and development of freedom, liberty and democracy started long before Americans created their brand of democracy. Surely and truly, America is the product of the innate and natural human drive for sentient freedom. Meanwhile, it's important to remember that mankind's hard fought freedoms are directly derived from mankind's natural inalienable rights; which include, but are not limited to, Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.

### **Sentient Freedom Is the Heart of Love**

Have you ever stopped to think and reflect about the source of mankind's freedom? I have and here is my personal conclusion. Because our GBLC loves His Children so much, He gives them the gift of sentient freedom. However, in our terrestrial world, sentient freedom is best known as "free-will." Emphatically speaking, the heart of love is free-will. Your greatest blessing is your gift of life. Your second greatest blessing is your gift of free-will. And this "love-quality of free-will" is required by our Creator to be exercised in all sentient relationships. If you truly love someone, then you must allow that person to exercise his or hers ethereal gift of free-will. This is a very complex issue that will be discussed in the next chapter. For the time being, consider this reflection. From free-will comes free-choice, and from free-choice comes freedom. Accordingly, your freedom is the direct result of the Creator's love for you, and your greatest freedom is "the freedom of choice" to believe as you personally desire. I'll say this important truth again. You're allowed to believe and disbelieve as you personally choose. This especially includes your freedom to believe or disbelieve in the living reality of mankind's Creator. Likewise, you'll ultimately be given the freedom to choose celestial life or celestial death. And while it's very difficult for the human mind to comprehend this celestial choice, reprobates gladly choose celestial death. In the Kingdom of Love,

you are not free to create degradation and depravation for others. Only people with selfless, loving and open minds desire to dwell in the Kingdom of Love, and people with selfish, fearful and closed minds quickly flee from the presence of our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator.

Always remember your freedom is derived from TSG Love. Without true-love you would not have freedom; but instead, you would be the enslaved creature that tyrants and terrorists want you to be. Beyond any doubt, love is liberating, but love is not a freedom. Love is a free-choice, and you are free to choose love or to reject love. You have to consider this choice very carefully, and you have to consider this choice many times every day. Every encounter with a fellow human being is an encounter of love, or an encounter of animosity, or an encounter of indifference. And every time you have an encounter with a fellow human being, you have to choose one of these three choices. But beware! Our loving Creator does not accept animosity or indifference in His Kingdom of Love. If you truly choose love, then you'll find yourself consistently exercising patience, kindness, concern, care, compassion and all the other gifts and fruits of love. In this manner, you'll determine if your mind is truly opened or closed, and you'll determine if you truly desire celestial life or celestial death.

## The Inalienable Freedoms of Sentient Human Beings

1. The Freedom of Religion: the freedom to believe as one chooses to believe. The Freedom of Religion is the first freedom of Democracy; and therefore, is the most important and most precious of all sentient human freedoms. This is because the Freedom of Religion is the freedom to believe as one chooses to believe; this being the foundation of all other beliefs. Surely and truly, each child of humanity has the right to believe in accordance with the dictates of his own or her own conscience. Even an atheist has the right and the freedom to sincerely believe mankind's Creator does not exist. Consequently, no one should be denied, or limited in any manner, the right to the Freedom of Religion. And no one should be bashed, persecuted, condemned, or

negatively treated with animosity – especially belligerent animosity – just because of the religion a person is affiliated with. Anyone who denies or limits the Freedom of Religion is not a true Democracian; and therefore, is a second class citizen of Democracy.

- 2. <u>The Freedom of Movement</u>: the freedom to go wherever you want to go, and to do so without the fear that someone is watching you and monitoring your actions. It's right and proper to fear the tyranny of a conniving Big Brother and his fellow goons, thugs and ORC's.
- 3. The Freedom of Speech and the Freedom of the Press: the individual's freedom to publicly define: (1) one's personal beliefs, ideologies and understandings; (2) one's personal desires and preferences along with one's personal promotion of those desires and preferences; and (3) one's personal perceptions of what is believed to be the truth. What good are your beliefs, your thoughts and your ideologies if you're not free to express them in a peaceful, public manner? The Freedom of the Press applies to each individual organization that operates a respective press. The Freedom of the Press is also incredibly important because it's the Watchdog of Democracy. Whenever a dictatorship arises, it first pursues to control the Press, and it then pursues to control the Courts. The first pursuit is the unlawful elimination of the dictator's opposition, and the second pursuit is the legalization of the unlawful elimination of the opposition.
- 4. The Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and the Freedom to Peacefully Protest: the collective freedom to publicly define: (1) the collective's beliefs, ideologies and understandings; (2) the collective's desires and preferences along with the collective's promotion of those desires and preferences; and (3) the collective's perceptions of what the collective believes to be the truth. Note that assemblies and protests can be in support of the current government or can be in the opposition of the current government. The ears of the government should never be deaf to the concerned and benevolent voice of the People.
- 5. The Freedom of Economic Security and the Freedom from Want: the freedom of the individual and the collective to have a minimum level of prosperity and an acceptable Quality of Life that's deserving of a

child of the Celestial Father. The mass of the People suffered far too long the Institution of Slavery, the Institution of Peasantry, and massive destitution. A sentient human being was never created to serve as a beast of burden to his own kind. Now, here's a very important paradigm. The Creator's children who are financially prosperous are responsible to create economical opportunities for the mass of mankind, and especially for the financially disadvantaged citizens. The best charity is the act of creating employment opportunities for those in need of employment. The fair and equitable distribution of wealth is the primary responsibility of mankind's "prosperous good stewards," but only the good stewards who harbor true, sincere and genuine love fulfill this Godly responsibility. Mankind may always have their poor, but mankind should never be satisfied having Masses of Destitution. Surely, mankind's greatest challenge is the worldwide elimination of economic destitution.

6. The Freedom From Fear: the freedom to have a steadfast and unwavering confidence that mankind's gracious and benevolent Creator's Cosmic Love shall never fail. The Freedom from Fear is mankind's most elusive freedom. Most people don't even believe it's an inalienable freedom. All of the freedoms listed above are terrestrial related freedoms, which are also called mankind's outward freedoms. Mankind's outward freedoms are also called liberties and civil liberties. But the Freedom from Fear is a celestial related freedom, which is also called mankind's inward freedom. There are only three types of fear: (1) the inordinate fear of not obtaining that which one deeply desires. which is envy; (2) the inordinate fear of losing that which one deeply desires, which is jealousy; and (3) the inordinate fear of the unknown, which is anxiety. To be free of fear is to overcome fear, and there's only one way of overcoming fear. You must have the heartfelt and deepseated convictions that our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator is real and that He loves all His children with an unconditional and perfect love. This is mankind's greatest paradigm, and being fortified with this Great Faith, you come to know the precious reality of your being. All things work to good for those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their Celestial Father. This Great Faith even has the power of

overcoming the Fear of Death, which is the sentient being's greatest anxiety. **Perfect love casts out all fears.** My gracious and perfect Celestial Father, into your hands I commend and entrust my spirit. Oh Death, where now is your sting?

## The Evolution of Democracy And Jesus' Teachings

I want to share with you a deep, personal belief which I believe is very important. What is the primary force for the evolutionary development of the world's democratic social-political systems? But it should be clearly understood that elements of democracy have been active throughout the history of earth. Being an American, my personal answer is derived from the historical perspectives of western civilization. I personally believe the life and teachings of Jesus are the foundational basis for the evolutionary development of democracy. This is especially true of the democratic nations of western civilization. You also have to include the associated teachings of Jesus' disciples, especially the apostles John and Paul. The influence of the teachings of Jesus and his disciples upon the evolutionary development of Democracy also provides the social-political stratum of Democracy's theistic foundation. If the theistic nature of democracy was removed, then democracy would cease to exist. Again I must emphasize American Democracy is rightfully founded upon the strong beliefs that we, the majority collective, are one nation under God and it's in God that we trust.

I should also note I'm addressing these teachings in a secular manner, whereby Jesus is perceived to be a very good and a very wise philosopher. Indeed, I consider Jesus to be **the Father of the Psychology of Love**. I also profess to be a Christian, thus personally believing Jesus is a spiritual and physical manifestation of our Creator. The personal perception of Jesus is a very complicated and personal matter, even within the Christian religion with all of its splintered societies. And it's good that everyone should adhere to the democratic principle of the Freedom of Religion – to each according to the dictates of his own conscience. I remain very

confident The Cosmic Truth will be crystal clear once you enter the Kingdom of Love. I also know our Celestial Father loves all His children equally, no matter what their terrestrial religious affiliation may be. And because our Creator loves all His children equally, an immense spiritual revelation is revealed. This revelation is now a great democratic truth that all true Democracians hold to be self-evident and to be conceived in Liberty. Consider carefully this great truth: "All sentient human beings are created equal." Jesus and the apostles John and Paul boldly taught the principles of love, especially the principles of brotherly love. Here are some of their teachings about love. I'm also using my personal terminology.

### **Selected Teachings of Jesus**

Jesus boldly taught the principles of love, especially the principles of brotherly love. Here are some of His primary teachings about love.

- 1. Love God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.
- 2. Love your neighbor as yourself.
- 3. Love your enemy and pray for him.
- 4. Do onto others as you would have them do onto you.
- 5. A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you. If you love me, you will keep my commandment.
- 6. Just as the Father has loved me, I have also loved you. Abide in my love.
- 7. Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends.

### **Selected Teachings of the Apostle John**

- 1. God is love.
- 2. There is no fear in love. But perfect love casts out fear.
- 3. We love because He first loved us.

### **Selected Teachings of the Apostle Paul**

- 1. Things which the eye has not seen, things which the ear has not heard, and things which cannot be conceived in the hearts of mankind is what awaits those who truly love their Creator.
- 2. Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things past, nor things present, nor things to come, nor power, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate the Children of Humanity from the love of their gracious, benevolent and loving Creator.
- 3. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.
- 4. Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another. For he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law.
- 5. If I speak with the tongues of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have all faith but do not have love, I am nothing. And if I give all my possessions to feed the poor but do love, it profits me nothing.
- 6. Love is patient, love is kind, and love is not jealous. Love does not brag and is not arrogant. Love does not act unbecomingly, and it does not seek its own. Love is not provoked and does not take into account a wrong suffered. Love does not rejoice in unrighteousness but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. Now abide faith, hope and love, these three. But the greatest of these is love.

### **Democracy Was Forged by Brotherly Love**

The above teachings are just some of the wonderful benefits derived from love. Accordingly, love always sees the best potential in the Children of Humanity, thus seeing what could be and what should be. But in contrast, what was actually being experienced during the course of earth's history? For millenniums, life was virtually a state of terror, tyranny, abuse, torture and other forms of human degradation and depravation. By Caesars, by Kings, by Queens, by Princes, by Lords, by Popes, by warlords, by dictators, or by any other title of social authority, evil despots consistently rose to power and brutally ruled their people, and especially their conquered subjects. And of course, despots always rule by the principles of fear, seldom by the principles of love, and only then by selective, conditional love.

Mankind's previous, predominate nature was more like a vicious animal than a loving sentient human being. Therefore, The Law of Conquest ruled the hearts of mankind, and The Law of the Jungle predominated with pure savagery. In spite of all these human atrocities, somehow and someway the principles of love slowly prevailed. Jesus' teachings of love were latent within the People's collective heart, but these same teachings were very fruitful in the hearts of Jesus' obedient followers. Slowly but surely, the evolutionary tide turned from a predominate state of fear to a predominate state of love. Mankind's true nature is evolving into a higher and higher state of love. And while mankind has a far way to reach his ultimate state of collective love, mankind has evolved far from his early stages of sadism; that is, the lust for being cruel. In fact, remarkable advancements have occurred in just in our last generation.

I'm truly convinced the social-political system we call democracy is derived from the principles of love. In fact, democracy is the ultimate product of the Power and Glory of Love. It's love that moves men's souls, making them willing to uphold the Principles of Love and the Virtues of Freedom. And where love is exercised unconditionally, there you'll also find The Five Pillars of Democracy: brotherly love, morality, tolerance, self-discipline, and the will to sacrifice for a higher cause and the greater good. The devastating winds of life's dark side may blow like a category 10

hurricane, but The Pillars of Democracy still stand after the storm has blown over. These mighty pillars may flex, but they never break. And what is the source of these five great pillars? All five pillars are derived from the same source, that source being Cosmic Love. Also, be sure to realize this great truth. Democracy and Freedom would cease to exist if the People fail to actively exercise the glorious principles of Cosmic Love. Likewise, the People must always be mindful and watchful of the cancerous effects and insidious nature of conditional love, selective love, and the lust of hedonism. If the People are indifferent to these spiritual cancers, then it's only a matter of time before Democracy collapses within itself. Never underestimate the destructive powers of conditional love, selective love, and hedonism.

## **Democracy's Three Types of Citizens**

All good and loving Democracians consistently adhere to the principles of the Five Pillars of Democracy. It doesn't matter if they're atheists, agnostics or theists. Those who love democracy and practice the principles of democracy are first class citizens, which are also called the **good citizens**. Citizens who don't exercise brotherly love, who are immoral, intolerant, who lack discipline, or who are too selfish to sacrifice for the benefit of the People – these citizens are second class citizens, also called the wayward citizens. Most unfortunately, America's jails and prisons are full of wayward citizens. But there are many more second class citizens out of jail than in jail. Truly, a nation suffers if it has just one wayward citizen. Nevertheless, wayward citizens are equally loved by their Creator; and therefore, we the People are called to love our wayward brothers and sisters. And only by love's reconciliatory power will wayward citizens find redemption and the ability to truly love others as well as themselves. From the ability to reverently love oneself comes the incredibly important inner attributes of self-worth, self-value and self-esteem. There is great joy when a second class citizen exercises his or hers Freedom of the Mind to freely choose to be a first class citizen. What type of citizen do you choose to be – the good citizen or the wayward citizen? But don't make your decision yet. There's more to consider.

Now, did you know there is a class of citizen who chooses to stand on Democracy's higher ground? This is the optimum citizen. The optimum citizen is the citizen who adamantly believes in the living reality of mankind's Creator, thus actively loving the Creator and all His children. Optimum citizens provide a service to the People which atheists and agnostics are incapable of providing. Optimum citizens provide lateral bracing to the Five Pillars of Democracy. These are the Cross Braces of **Hope and Faith**. A nation without the shoring powers of hope and faith will eventually collapse upon itself. In addition, hope and faith are required to live with an affirming attitude of optimism and a positive disposition. For the optimum citizen, TSG Love is a state of being, and this state of being leads to a state of living-appreciation. Deep seated in their heart of hearts lives a constant expression of appreciation and gratification: "Thank you Lord for everything." Hereby, let this be understood. If you sincerely desire to know and experience the best that life can offer, then reverently seek to be an optimum citizen. And know this too. The trials and tribulations of life that test your character will ultimately define your character, and thus define the person you truly are.

# The Daily Citizen and The Challenges of the Poor

The daily citizen is neither rich nor famous and lives a life of obscurity within the mass of mankind. The collective of daily citizens represents the vast majority of the People, and their unified political power is the greatest social power on earth. Now, if you examine the economic profile of the collective of daily citizens, then you would see there's a significant percentage of daily citizens who live in the lower end of the economic spectrum. Life is a very difficult struggle for everyone, but life is extremely challenging for economically disadvantaged citizens. The challenges of being poor go far beyond economical challenges. Being poor is inherently chained to several additional challenges – social, political, moral, and spiritual challenges. As a result of these excessive challenges, a small percentage of disadvantaged citizens succumb to the temptations of life's dark side. They quickly become second class citizens; that is, the

wayward citizens. The wayward citizens ultimately choose the easy, immoral path of life instead of the challenging, moral path of life. They also fail to consider the long-term consequences of both paths. If the wayward citizen sincerely believed life's dark side resulted in sentient death, would they even consider this deadly path?

Be sure to realize that I'm not saying the mass of the financially challenged citizens are wayward citizens. In fact, social statistics show the vast majority of the residents of low income neighborhoods are good, law abiding citizens who are doing their best to cope with the inherent immorality and violence that occurs in their neighborhoods. It's always a small percentage of immoral people who create the large percentage of life's degradations and depravations. And this has always been true throughout mankind's recorded history. But today's poor neighborhoods can't begin to compare to the intense squalid neighborhoods of yesterday's poor. Here's a paradigm that every poor person should know and embrace. Just because you may be poor does not diminish your internal sentient nature or your intrinsic sentient value. Our GBLC loves the poorest person in the world just as much as He loves the richest person in the world. Lastly, be sure to realize the wayward citizen is not limited to any single economic category. You'll find wayward citizens in every economic category, including the financially prosperous and the ultra rich.

My specific interest in addressing the challenges of the poor is to convince the wayward citizens of the low income communities to choose life's loving, enlightened side in lieu of life's fearful, dark side. Criminal statistics show there are far more prison inmates from society's lower income communities than from society's middle and higher income communities. How do you convince any person who's living in life's dark side that the Ideology of Love is the very best ideology by which to live one's life? How do you convince a person who dwells in life's dark side that it's vastly better to be the good citizen who willfully upholds the Five Pillars of Democracy – brotherly love, morality, tolerance, self-discipline, and the will to sacrifice for a higher cause and the greater good? Do they not realize they're sentient human beings and the children of their loving Celestial Father? If they could truly sense their sentient nature and value,

then would they embrace their ultimate potential? This potential includes celestial life after terrestrial death. Whenever my mind travels upon this mind path, I always return to the call of Love's Great Mission: "To every person in every nation, let us teach the principles of love."

### **Economic Stratification and the Ethos of Hard Work**

One of the greatest terrestrial forces that affect everyone is economic stratification. There are many levels of economic stratification within the entire social collective, and these levels obviously range from the very poor to the very rich. And it's very obvious poor citizens have a much greater life-challenge than those citizens whose financial incomes provide a good and prosperous quality of life. There are also many stories of poor citizens who are so desperate they believe they have to steal bread just to feed their starving families. In response, the collective has created social programs to provide help for these extreme social conditions. Such help is provided at the federal, state and local levels. In addition, help is provided by private charitable organizations such as places of worship, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the Union Mission, and other similar organizations. In spite of all the help that's provided, too many poor citizens continue to choose the easy, immoral path of life's dark side. While education and hard work are two of the best solutions to freeing oneself from the chains of poverty, the embrace of the principles of love provides the best and most permanent solution to the Freedom of Poverty. This is because the principles of love provide an internal fortification against poverty. Education and hard work only provide an external fortification against poverty. And of course, the combination of both the internal and external fortifications provides the ultimate solution to destroy poverty.

Let us now stop and reflect upon the value of good, hard work. The driving paradigm of the good citizen regarding their daily work is this. The good citizen works hard just to make his or hers daily bread. For the good daily citizen, the greatest amount of time and energy spent in their entire lifetime is dedicated to making one's daily bread. I personally believe this one of the most admirable facets of the human experience. The honest,

financial care of one's family and oneself is paramount to art of living. Now some citizens work very hard for very little income while some others citizens hardly work for very much income. The dichotomy of wage earnings baffles the greatest human minds. Nevertheless, the dedication to good, honest and hard work provides a sentient fulfillment that is selfrewarding onto itself. It feels good to do a good day's work for a fair and reasonable wage. And here is the good worker's prevailing attitude about their daily work. Any job that pays reasonably well for the efforts required is a good job. And any job that's a good job is a job that's worth doing, and it's worth doing it well. This is the economic ethos of a good and loving person, and it's the economic backbone of a democratic Nation. The word "ethos" means: (1) the fundamental character or spirit of a culture; (2) the underlying sentiment that forms the beliefs, customs, or practices of a group or society; and (3) the character or disposition of a community, group or person. It is very well that loving sentient human beings enjoy their work that sustains themselves and their families. However, there are too many wayward citizens who are averse to making their living in a good and honest way. They prefer the easy, immoral path that's a degradation and depravation to their fellow citizens. Thus, they willfully become the Nation's human parasites.

## Promoting Brotherly Love, Education and Hard Work

There are many elements that influence the determination of a person's ability to generate monetary income. These elements include **education**, **technical skills**, social skills, personality, organizational affiliations, family pedigree, one's personal network of family, friends and acquaintances, **the ethos of hard work**, and other similar elements. Note that these elements are often absent from the wayward citizens of society's lower income level. Note also that some of these elements are an inherent function of birth and not a function of internal fortitude. In addition, it's noted social science has recorded that the benefits of education and the ethos of hard work are "generally shunned" by low income communities. I know many poor people believe they don't even have an option to the benefits of education or the ability to obtain an hourly wage rate that would lift them

above the threshold of poverty. I believe this reinforces the adage that simple minds can only obtain simple jobs. While some people may believe these statements have some element of truth, such an attitude stifles the human drive to achieve a higher level of fulfillment, and especially sentient fulfillment. Furthermore, this type of attitude breeds discontent, which leads to resentment, and finally grows into contempt. And contempt quickly festers into animosity which eventually mutates into belligerent animosity. Thus, the wayward citizen is born.

The response of the wayward citizen to their life-principle of making easy, immoral money is summarized in a single question. Why work so hard for twenty-five cent above minimum wage at some fast food restaurant when you can make that job's yearly income in just one week easily selling drugs, prostitutes, and guns, or gambling, or just robbing people? Sadly to say, that life-principle is quickly embraced by far too many citizens. The lifeprinciple of easy, immoral money may be financially successful in the shortterm, but it's profoundly devastating in the long-term. First of all, fear is the constant companion of the criminal parasite. One is always looking over their shoulder to see if some competitor is trying to shoot them. Turf wars between organized crime gangs cause a large percentage of the nation's homicides. Those who make their living in illegal and immoral "businesses" are also in constant fear of being caught in law enforcement's sting operations. But most important, society's criminal parasites know deep within their hearts they have forfeited their ability to fulfill their internal sentient nature that leads to true happiness, satisfaction and fulfillment.

Whatever happened to love? Whatever happened to good-will? And whatever happened to that good child who had so much potential? In spite of all the difficulties and challenges of being poor, all parents need to raise their children in the warmth and protection of true, sincere and genuine love. And this is the equal responsibility of the father as well as the mother. The education of love, good-will, self-worth, self-value and self-esteem must be

taught to all our children. And these are life lessons which the entire village must teach our children. This is especially true of our poor children, for only the power and glory of love will overcome the many challenges of life in the low income neighborhoods.

The challenges of love abound, but the rewards of love are far greater than the efforts applied. Only love can satisfy and fulfill mankind's sentient nature. Truly, truly, we are sentient human beings driven to search and find TSG Love. A person who dedicates himself or herself to the principles of love shall surely flourish. A marriage that dedicates itself to the principles of love shall surely flourish. A family that dedicates itself to the principles of love shall also flourish. And a Nation that dedicates itself to the principles of love shall abundantly flourish. To the great virtues of love a grateful People give thanks and adoration to their gracious, benevolent and loving Creator, who is the ultimate source of love. And because He first loved us, we too can now love. My friends, are you connected to the Power and Glory of Love? And are you a good citizen, thus truly loving all your neighbors? Or better yet, are you the optimum citizen, thus truly loving your Creator and all your neighbors? To all my friends, let us all Luv & Liv to our fullest potential. Be mighty Advocates of Love, and let us bring truelove, harmony and prosperity to all of our neighborhoods, especially our low income neighborhoods. Love can and shall prevail.

# Additional Reflections Regarding the Atheist and the Theist

I'm always amazed by how much and how quick atheists talk about God and religion. And they're extremely adamant in having other people agree with their life-ideology. It also seems to me the vast majority of atheists would totally abolish religious institutions and spiritual beliefs if they had such power. But what really concerns me most about atheists is they're **hope bashers**. Atheists have the right, the privilege and the

prerogative to believe sentient human life ends at the moment of physical death. If atheists want to live under this dark cloud of despair, then so be it. However, I always personally choose hope and life over despair and death.

In the advent human life expires at the moment of physical death, then the theistic belief in life after life would truly be folly. And if that is true, then so what? Let the theistic fools have their joyful folly. What does an atheistic loose if theists live life by a hopeful folly? They lose nothing, absolutely nothing! How is an atheistic harmed if theists cling to an erroneous optimistic belief that life's best is yet to come? An atheist isn't harmed just because a theist believes in the living reality of a patient and kind Creator. In the event atheists can rightfully gloat in their adamant belief of oblivion, then theists lose nothing and they're not harmed in any manner. Theists will actively live life with hope and joy, and with satisfaction and fulfillment. For I know my hope, my faith and my love allow me to endure, preserve and prevail over all of life's hardships, trials and tribulations. I shall review all the meaningful events of my life, and I shall then smile with a glowing contentment. I've lived a good life, and I know that's true because I lived life with hope and optimism, and with a positive and proactive disposition. I would never be an atheist because its despair would destroy my soul and kill my spirit.

I do believe in the living reality of mankind's Creator simply because it provides hope. And as a collective, America believes in the living reality of a gracious, benevolent and loving Creator simply because this profound belief provides the nation with a living hope and a collective optimistic disposition. Now, tell me truly, what's really bad or wrong about living life with a living hope and an optimistic disposition? I personally would rather live life with an erroneous but very hopeful belief than live life that's founded upon a devastating truth that sucks the joy right out of life. I don't want to live life in a world without love, but I especially don't want to live in a world without hope. What's the meaning, value and purpose of life if it's constantly lived under a dark and foreboding cloud of absolute despair? Again I say, I'll choose hope over despair any day and every day.

Now, in the event the atheists are correct in their belief of the nonexistence of mankind's Divine Creator, then what has the theist really lost? Nothing! Absolutely nothing! The theist will have at least lived his or hers terrestrial life with hope, which surely makes anyone a better person and a better citizen. On the other hand, if the atheists are wrong in their belief of the nonexistence of mankind's Divine Creator, then what have they lost. Everything! Absolutely everything! I gladly hitch my wagon to the star of our gracious and benevolent Creator. And I'll follow that star until someone proves to me there's a better star to follow. Truly and seriously, where shall your mind dwell at the final flicker of your life's ember?

I'd rather be a sparrow than a snail.

And I'd rather be a hammer than a nail.

I'd rather be a tree than a log.

And I'd rather be an angel than a dog.

I'd rather know the truth than be misled.

And I'd rather be alive than dead.

# Why Do Terrestrial Beings Have to Die?

Why do terrestrial beings have to die? I surely don't know why, and I doubt if there's anyone who truly knows why. Death is inevitable, and it's the intentional will of our Supreme Creator for His terrestrial children to experience terrestrial death. Perhaps there are great life-lessons to be learned from terrestrial death, but what in heaven are they? Could it be more correct to say "what in hell are they if you're not a true-lover?" And isn't terrestrial death also celestial birth. So then, are we dying, or are we being born? I like thoughts of birth much, much better than thoughts of death. Is there a Mighty Angel of Birth as well as the Mighty Angel of Death? And who would you rather be your friend and neighbor – the Angel of Birth or the Angel of Death?

Nevertheless, we're born to die, and so we shall die. And maybe it all has to do with cosmic order and cosmic development. There are clear, distinctive ages and stages of terrestrial development, and in a similar manner there may be clear, distinctive ages and stages of celestial development. Maybe our Creator is only looking for a few good sentient human beings to work with Him. If that's true, then are you good enough to serve side-by-side with the Mighty Sovereign of the Cosmos? As another alternative, perhaps we're all celestial cadets preparing ourselves to be star trekers of our Creator's far-flung Cosmos. Beam me up Scotty just as soon as you can! Did you ever think of death as a transporter? This is definitely the scenario I like best.

I personally have a deep-seated sensation that the terrestrial world is cosmic kindergarten, and we must successfully complete this rudimentary stage in order to proceed with the next stage, which is cosmic first grade. How many cosmic grades are there, and are you planning on going to cosmic college? What cosmic university do you want to go to? And you also have to wonder if the cosmic school authorities require a poor and wayward student to repeat his current grade level. Do you think it's possible that a sentient human being would actively desire to repeat cosmic kindergarten? Holly macaroni! There are so many questions, and I haven't heard one good answer yet.

My good friends, wouldn't it be nice if life and death could be as easy as kindergarten? Wouldn't it be nice if all mankind really knew the living reality of our loving Creator? Wouldn't it be nice if all mankind truly loved one another? And wouldn't it be nice to know with absolute certainty that the Kingdom of Love really does exist. I believe there's a Rainbow Connection between heaven and earth, and between the Celestial Father and His terrestrial children. Don't ever forget that love is like a rainbow. Would you like to see your Creator stroll down to earth upon this Rainbow Connection and then call out your name and say: "This is my loving and obedient terrestrial child Enoch Smith with whom I am very pleased. Enoch, come home with me now and I'll show you the beauty and mysteries of my Kingdom of Love." Would you like to walk with your Creator on the Rainbow Connection back to His Holy Mansion of Love? This great

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mansion is somewhere just over the rainbow. This is actually a Love-Dream of life without death, and it's especially made for the lovers, the dreamers and me. To all my friends I say, let us all **Luv & Liv** to fulfill our wildest dreams and to prepare ourselves for the Kingdom of Love.

### Part 4

# **Associated Spiritual Concepts**

# The Law of Hope

<u>The Law of Hope</u>: The Law of Hope is the cosmic revelation that leads to the internalized, personal desire, belief, wish or dream that the predominant forces of life are good and benevolent, and whereby life has a higher value beyond mankind's terrestrial senses and visions.

**The Great Hope**: The Great Hope is the composite hope in the living reality of: (1) the celestial realm; (2) a gracious, benevolent and loving Creator; (3) the continuum of life; (4) the powers of Cosmic Truth and Cosmic Love; and (5) the ineffable blessings in seeing the birth of your grandchildren and your great-grandchildren. Live long and prosper in the fullness of your life.

Hope endures. There are three great ethereal substances that serve and sustain the celestial spirit – hope, faith and love. There's a well known Christian Bible verse that states: "But now abide faith, hope and love, these three; but the greatest of these is love." While love may be the greatest, hope is the most elementary, the most abundant, and the most enduring. I surely don't want to live in a world without love, but I especially don't want to live in a world without hope is a life of despair, and despair leads to cynicism, depression, sensations of doom, and other miserable states of human degradation and depravation. I truly wonder if there's any meaning, value and purpose in life if life is without any hope. Consequently, the sentient possession of hope is absolutely fundamental if you're to live life victoriously and abundantly. Truly, you must embrace hope with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

Now, why is hope so fundamentally important? Hope leads to faith; faith leads to love; and love then plants the seeds of hope. What really comes first: hope, faith or love? I personally believe the answer varies from person to person, but most people begin with hope. I believe this is true because hope has a prerequisite association with personal belief. Before you gain the faith and confidence in what you believe, you first begin by hoping what you believe is actually true. If you stop and think about it, the trials and tribulations of life may strip away your love and shatter your faith, but as long as you sustain your hope, your spirit remains resilient. However, when your sensation of hope is lost, then your spirit is broken and a great sense of loss is internalized. When hope is lost even the drive to live can be vanquished and a death wish then pervades the mind. Beyond any doubt, a sense of internalized hope is necessary to secure and sustain healthy emotions and a unified, optimistic mind.

As a **noun** the word "**hope**" is defined as: (1) the internal sensation that what is desired is actually possible; and (2) the internal sensation that events will turn out for the best. As a **verb** the word "**hope**" is defined as: (1) to believe, desire or trust; and (2) to internally sense that something desired will actually happen. It's impossible to separate the substance of hope from the sentient elements of feelings, beliefs, desires and trust. Hope is a critical element of the human experience that lights the way to the realization that life is abundant in simple goodness and beauty. It's as though there's a cosmic force calling out for you to see the light of hope that shines throughout our Creator's domain. There's more to life than your external pleasures of your senses and the internal fears that dwell in your heart, especially the fear of death. Only your deep-seated sensations of hope open the doors to a satisfying and fulfilling life – a life that's free of fear.

By the power of hope, one truth remains certain. No matter how evasive spiritual truths may be to believe and embrace, you always have the hope that The Panorama of Universal Goodness is The Cosmic Truth. If you would only open your eyes, heart and the channels of your spiritual intuition, then it's easy to sense the simple goodness and beauty of life. Life is predominantly benevolent. Hence, the goodness and beauty of hope is also revealed. I call this one great principle of hope The Great Hope. It's also

noted your wishes, dreams and visions are forms of hope. Just to wish for something good to happen is to have a hope that something good will happen. And know this. The Great Hope enables you to endure the trials and tribulations of life. Hold steadfast to your hopes, for help is coming, and then your trials and tribulations shall surely end. **Hope shall endure.** 

# The Law of Faith

<u>The Law of Faith</u>: The Law of Faith is the cosmic revelation that your gracious, benevolent and loving Celestial Father personally loves you very, very much, whereby He's intricately interested in your ultimate satisfaction, your ultimate security, and your ultimate development.

<u>The Great Faith</u>: The Great Faith is the deep-seated and unwavering belief in The Law of Faith; that is, your Celestial Father truly, sincerely and genuinely loves you, and that His love for you is a perfect love. Accordingly, **always be happy**, for you are always loved by your loving Creator.

Faith perseveres. Everyone lives by faith whether they recognize it or not. As a simple example, every time you routinely leave your home you depart with the natural intentions of returning to your home. You naturally and automatically believe you shall return. This natural belief is your daily default mode of faith, and it's also a routine and mundane act of faith. Faith is belief, and belief is faith. Everything you believe "you shall do" is first done as an act of faith. You hope you shall do it, and you have confidence it shall be done. But you don't really know you will do it until it's actually done. The potential is there, but the reality is a function of actuality. Hence, faith is potentiality, and it is not actuality. Nonetheless, unwavering faith confidently believes it is an actuality. Hence, it's confidently believed by the People of Faith that faith in our GBLC makes all things possible. This is a great spiritual mystery that's worth your reflections.

# **The Inner Core of Personal Faith**

Everyone has a broad perspective of general faith; that is, the outer core of personal faith. Everyone also has an inner core of personal faith. Now, many people would say that an atheist doesn't have an inner core of personal faith. But he does! The atheist's inner core of faith is based upon the sincere and conscientious personal belief that mankind's Creator does not exist. The broad perspective of faith is what you loosely believe to be true, and the inner core of personal faith is what you deeply believe to be true; that is, your deep-seated beliefs and paradigms which form the convictions of your heart. Now, some people allow external life-forces to forge the convictions of their heart. On the other hand, some people take the time and the cognitive energy to build their personalized convictions of their heart. What you believe is incredibly important, especially the inner core of your personal beliefs, which is also the inner core of your personal faith. What is the inner core of your personal faith? Here's the inner core of my personal faith, and I believe it's incredibly important for all to consider.

# The Three Foundational Tenets of My Personal Faith

God is.
God is love.
God is perfect love.

All that I truly, dearly and deeply believe is solidly founded upon the inner core of my personal faith. The inner core of my personal faith slowly evolved over a long period of time, and it occurred in three separate stages. Each stage is highly significant onto itself. All my other beliefs are then derived from the inner core of my personal faith. If I should ever learn the inner core of my personal faith is not solidly founded upon The Cosmic Truth, then I don't know what I shall do. I truly fear my life, my being, and my existence may shatter. May our GBLC cast out all my fears!

# The True Meaning of Faith and the Living Reality of God

The word "faith" is defined as: "the assurance of things hoped for, and the conviction of things not seen." Active faith creates spiritual confidence. Like the ethereal substance of hope, the ethereal substance of faith has a cosmic origin and application, thus leading to The Law of Faith. There's no faith more powerful than the faith that God's ultimate love is focused upon you. Meanwhile, it's very important to realize The Law of Faith does not concern the fundamental belief in the living reality of God. The belief in mankind's Creator is an elementary exercise of faith, being mostly a natural exercise of human reasoning, the application of common sense, and the reverent use of one's spiritual intuition. Of course, many people don't believe in this statement, but People of Faith fully understand the statement and agree with the statement. Life is just too complex and pervasive to be an accidental occurrence of chaotic chance. To believe chaotic chance created life generates far more questions than believing a Super Being with immeasurable intelligence and power created life. In other words, believing life is created by a Supreme Being makes far more sense than believing life is created by chaos. The only thing chaos creates is lawlessness, destruction, desolation and death. Surely, the belief in our GBLC leads to order, direction and purpose. On the other hand, a belief in chaos only leads to more chaos.

The real challenge of faith is based upon the belief that the Cosmic Sovereign could be remotely concerned and interested in the small and mundane existence of each and every sentient human being. Isn't God too busy running His Cosmos? How could He possibly have time and interest to be actively concerned about you and me? And does God really have the capacity and ability to be actively concerned about every sentient human being that's scattered throughout the Cosmos? But then, don't forget, God has legions of legions of sentient celestial beings actively helping Him. Likewise, the Cosmic Sovereign needs your personal help to accomplish His endeavors and to fulfill His intentional will. It's critically important to realize mankind's relationship with our Celestial Father is like the deep, loving relationship between earthly parents and their children, except our

Creator's love is far more intense. And His love is also perfect. As a Super Being, the Celestial Father has the ability and the capacity to focus His love upon every one of His children – especially including you. **Faith shall persevere.** 

# The Law of Love

<u>The Law of Love</u>: The Law of Love is the cosmic proclamation to reciprocate the Creator's personal love for you. This cosmic proclamation is actually a two part, passionate invitation. <u>Part One</u>: Love your Creator with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. <u>Part Two</u>: Love your fellow sentient human beings as yourself. We love because our Creator first loved us.

The Great Love: The Great Love is the Godly form of love that's exercised by our loving Creator. The Great Love is a perfect love as well as a "living love." Thereby, The Great Love becomes a state of being. Accordingly, our gracious, benevolent and loving Creator calls all His children to love in accordance with The Great Love. Finally, always remember this great truth. Because The Great Love is a perfect love, The Great Love casts out all fears

Love prevails. Let us consider the Virtue of Love, which is actually a meaningful pursuit of the ethereal substance I call Cosmic Love. Let's begin by examining the dictionary definitions of the word "love." My dictionary includes several interesting definitions for the word "love." "Love" is defined as: (1) a strong predilection or liking for anything (such as, I love pizza and beer); (2) the affectionate concern for the well-being of others; (3) an intense and steadfast affection and devotion to a person, thus enduring loyalty; (4) a feeling of warm personal attachment and deep affection; (5) the profoundly tender or passionate affection for a person resulting in a sexual relationship; and (6) the benevolent affection of God for His creatures. Note that the word "affection" dominates these definitions. Other key words include: devotion, loyalty, attachment, warmth, tenderness, passion and benevolence. Other words and phrases

that are not included in these definitions but are associated with the word "love" are: fondness, adoration, reverent adoration, emotional regard, friendship, romantic feelings, adulation, consecration, and worship. I've emphasized the word "attachment" because it directly relates to Love's association with "<u>interpersonal connection</u>" and "<u>human bonding</u>." True-love attracts true-love and thus has a natural affinity to connect and bond people together. In turn, this leads to the concept of true-lovers having a "<u>mutual common cause</u>."

Love obviously has a broadband of meaning that can be easily misunderstood. You always have to ask yourself what form of love are you talking about. The ancient Greeks tried to resolve love's natural ambiguity by having four separate words for the English word "love." Here's a simplified description of the four Greek loves: (1) phileo love, which is in reference to "brotherly love;" (2) agape love, which is in reference to "godly love;" (3) storge love, which is in reference to "family love" (includes all possible relationships within the immediate family and the extended family); and (4) eros love, which is in reference to "sexual love." These four Greek love words are often referred as The Four Loves. While some people find little value and interest in The Four Loves – especially the professional caretakers of the soul – I personally find The Four Loves very interesting, meaningful and valuable in discerning the principles of love. In fact, the very backbone of my models of love is built upon the concepts of phileo love and agape love.

Here's another interesting feature of The Law of Love. This law contains a third and hidden commandment that's derived from the second part of the law: "Love your fellow sentient human beings as yourself." The hidden commandment states: "Love yourself." Accordingly, the second part of the law is expanded as follows: "Love your fellow sentient human beings as **you love** yourself." This is love's very important principle of proactive self-love. Now, here's the basis for the derivation of this hidden commandment. How can you "love your fellow sentient human beings as yourself" if you don't first truly love yourself? In other words, you can't possibly love your fellow mankind as yourself if you don't really love yourself. It's critical to realize there's a positive,

proactive self-love that's selfless in its very nature. Not all forms of self-love are conactive or narcissistic. It's also noted your fellow mankind is literally all of our Celestial Father's children, even His children who are your active enemies. By loving your enemy, you literally destroy your enemy by making him your friend. Does any rational sentient human being wage war upon his friends? Truly, the first fruit of love is friendship. Accordingly, let's wage love – not war. Beyond any doubt in my mind, our GBLC wants us to love our enemies as well as our friends and as well as ourself.

Finally, the principle of self-love is also related to Love's First Maxim: Do onto others as you would have them do onto you. This maxim is also related to The Law of Reciprocity which states that you get what you give, and you give what you get. It's humanly natural to reciprocate what someone does for you or to you. Accordingly, love begets love, and antilove begets antilove. But it should also be noted that mankind has the insidious ability to twist and distort anything that's good, even The Law of Love and Love's First Maxim. As an example of the instruction to "love your neighbor," evil will twist this love attribute in this manner. "I'd love to love my neighbor! You ought to see the size of her melons!" And in regards to Love's First Maxim, a healthy sentient mind would not consider applying the maxim to a masochist; that is, someone who obtains gratification from pain or some other form of deprivation, and being either self-inflicted or intentional inflicted by another person. Masochists readily exercise self-antilove. Masochists are also often associated with sadists; that is, a person who obtains gratification by inflicting pain or some other form of deprivation to another person. Too many of our fellow sentient human beings have bruised and wounded souls, thus disabling their capacity and their interest to truly love others as well as themselves. While they believe they're unworthy, they need to learn and realize all of our Creator's children are worthy and deserving of His perfect love. And this is also why our world needs all the Advocates of Love it can render.

## The Law of Love and the MVP of Life

I firmly believe The Law of Love is the very core of the meaning, value and purpose of life; that is, the MVP of Life. The happiness, joy and fulfillment of life are achieved by consistently exercising this great spiritual law. If you disregard this law, you'll eventually harbor a death wish. Ultimately, you shall desire and embrace the totality of death and the nonexistence of oblivion. If you disregard The Law of Gravity, you face the potential consequence of terminating your terrestrial life. But if you disregard The Law of Love, then you face the potential consequence of terminating your celestial life. Why would any rational sentient human being reject the benefits of love and all of its wonderful blessings? Why would a person with a sound and healthy mind choose death over life? Why do people reject The Law of Love? In my contemplations regarding The Law of Love, I found five very important reflections that should be embraced and fully understood.

- 1. <u>Mankind's Creator Is Perfect Love</u>: The Law of Love leads to one final conclusion: Mankind's gracious and benevolent Creator is essence and nature of love, and His love is perfect.
- 2. <u>Love Is Proactive</u>: Like our loving Creator, love is always active as well as proactive.
- 3. <u>Love Bears all Things</u>: The power and glory of love enables you to prevail over life's hardships, pain, suffering and misery. Love bears all things.
- 4. <u>Love and Prosperity</u>: Exercising The Law of Love leads to prosperity and abundance, which in turn leads to additional sentient responsibilities and privileges.
- 5. <u>Love and Fear</u>: Love is the only power that overcomes the emotional attacks of fear. Perfect love casts out all fears. And know this. Our Creator's agape love is perfect. When fear is conquered, then hope, faith, love and confidence reign in the hearts and minds of sentient human beings.

When you truly love your Creator and your fellow man, then the blessings of your Creator are poured upon you. This first includes spiritual blessings and then worldly blessings. The gift of worldly blessings doesn't mean you're going to become rich and prosperous, but it does mean your worldly needs will be satisfied. I also realize this is a statement of faith as well as a test of faith, and I also know the world's prosperity is not fairly and equitably distributed. Jesus addressed this issue by noting how well our Celestial Father takes care of the birds of the sky and the lilies of the field. And then Jesus noted how much more our Celestial Father loves his Children of Humanity than He loves the birds and the lilies. When you truly love your gracious Creator and work hard to enhance His creation, then prosperity follows. Prosperity then leads to the abundance of life, which in turn empowers you to further exercise The Law of Love, especially by helping your fellow man who's in need of your help. Love and charity always go hand-in-hand. It's also noted in the original King James Bible, the English word used for "love" is the word "charity." Accordingly, it's stated: "But now abide faith, hope, and charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." Beyond any doubt, those who love are always charitable, and a charitable person is concerned about and cares for the wellbeing of other people, especially the world's disadvantaged people. Compassion immediately follows, whereby one's compassion is measured by one's willful commitment and one's available resources.

# **Love's Final Analysis**

The Law of Love is the foundational bedrock of all my paradigms and the superstructure of all my hopes and faith. I deeply believe love is the most absolute truth known in our Creator's domain, and I embrace The Law of Love with every sentient faculty of my being. As a life-philosophy and a life-ideology, love is consistently rational and logical, and it's the only philosophy and ideology that's mutually beneficial to all sentient beings. In the final analysis, love is the only dream I know. If our Creator is not love, then my heart shall collapse and shatter, even to the point where I may actively embrace oblivion. What value is life if our Creator isn't the essence and nature of love? And what's the purpose of life if love doesn't reign supreme throughout the Cosmos? Surely, if love doesn't really exist, then

the Kingdom of Love doesn't exist. And the Kingdom of Love must exist, or otherwise all meaning, value and purpose of life shall be lost. What is the meaning, value and purpose of life if love is not paramount and absolute? Would you live in a world without love? Could you live in a world without love? As for me, I don't want to live in a world without love.

Life must be more than the limited love experienced in this terrestrial world, and our Creator's love must be omnificent. I fear I shall never feel absolutely secure if our Creator's love isn't omnificent. And then I recall the Wiseman's great and comforting exhortation: "Perfect love casts out all fears." Listen! The Lord of Life is whispering: "Fear not my child! It is I, your concerned, caring and compassionate Creator. Come home to me and enjoy my Kingdom of Love." I praise my Lord for the gift of spiritual intuition and its ability to sense His perfect love. Alas! The vile cancer of fear is purged from my spirit and soul, and I know my Creator is actively concerned about me, truly cares for me, and is compassionate about my ultimate well-being. My ultimate satisfaction, security and development are totally fulfilled by my loving Creator. Truly, truly, our Creator is love, and all things work to good for those who love Him. **Ultimately, love isn't everything. It's the only thing. Love shall prevail.** 

# The Law of Reciprocity

The Law of Reciprocity: Regarding human social interactions, The Law of Reciprocity is the natural cosmic occurrence where the social reaction (effect) of a second party is equal to or greater than the initial social action (cause) of a first party. Hence, the social action of the first party is returned in kind (reciprocated) by the second party to the first party. The actual social reaction of the second party varies as a result of various social forces, especially the forces of love and fear.

There are several well known sayings that define The Law of Reciprocity. Consider the following sayings. (1) If there is any further injury, then you shall appoint as a penalty life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burn for burn, wound for wound, and bruise for bruise. (2) You shall reap what you sow. (3) You give what you get, and you get what you give. (4) Love begets love, and antilove begets antilove. (5) Kindness begets kindness, and belligerent animosity begets belligerent animosity. (6) Peace begets peace, and violence begets violence.

It should be very obvious The Law of Reciprocity is not a rigid social law that the Children of Humanity must follow and obey. Nonetheless, this great law follows its natural human course, where the law's usual and customary exercise is like a knee-jerk reaction of the sentient mind. When someone is nice to you, then in return it's your human nature to be nice to the person. You may even have a sense of social obligation to return a gift of kindness when a gift of kindness was first given to you. After all, it's only fair and reasonable to reciprocate kindness with kindness. On the other hand, when someone is mean to you, then in return it's also your human nature to be mean to the person. You may even have a sense of social obligation to return an act of meanness when an act of meanness was first inflicted upon you. After all, this mean person is only getting what he or she deserves. Our penal institutions are loaded with criminals that are now getting what they deserve. However, there are occasional occurrences where an act of kindness is returned with an act of animosity, or where an act of animosity is return with an act of kindness. Everyone has the ability to counteract the natural tendencies of The Law of Reciprocity. In fact, The Law of Reciprocity is readily counteracted by three types of sentient human beings: (1) the mentally disabled person, (2) the conniving person, and (3) the compassionate person.

1. The Mentally Disabled Person: Unfortunately in our terrestrial realm, some people are born with a disabled sentient mind. The sentient mind can also become disabled as a result of accidents or diseases. In general, the mentally disabled person cannot discern reality from their own imaginations. The source (or sources) of the disability remains a great mystery, creates very perplexing predicaments, and casts immense

sorrows in all the villages of the world. The mentally disabled person is highly challenged just to exercise the most rudimentary functions of personhood. Consequently, proper and appropriate social interactions are impossible. At best, The Law of Reciprocity is highly limited for a person who is mentally disabled.

- 2. The Conniving Person: The conniving person is an active Agent of Evil. The conniving person can be aggressively brutal or amazingly beguiling and cunning. And such people will use The Law of Reciprocity to gain advantage of their victims. In the end the conniving person doesn't really care about The Law of Reciprocity. Their concern and care is focused upon how they can achieve and fulfill their selfish and wanton desires. And they'll take advantage of any person who just happens to cross paths with this malevolent Agent of Evil. They see their victims as suckers, fools and easy marks. Ultimately, the conniving person becomes a master at returning acts of meanness where acts of kindness were first given to them.
- 3. The Compassionate Person: The compassionate person willfully exercises acts of kindness even when acts of meanness were first inflicted upon them. This is because true-love rules their heart, their soul, and their mind. The compassionate person actively practices the instructions to love their enemy and to pray for them. In spite of first being inflicted with acts of animosity, the compassionate person will not exercise The Law of Reciprocity, and thus return acts of animosity when animosity was first given to them. On the contrary, the compassionate person is quick to exercise The Law of Reciprocity where kindness is returned in lieu of animosity. The compassionate person only exercises The Law of Reciprocity whenever this mighty law can enhance The Law of Love.

# The Law of **Reciprocity Is Mankind's Intrinsic Nature**

Obviously, reactions to The Law of Reciprocity can vary greatly. That's because sentient reactions are subject to personal volition. Remember, volition and wisdom are directly associated. Furthermore, one's

volition can be dominated by love, selflessness and kindness, or it can be dominated by fear, selfishness and belligerent animosity. Accordingly, The Law of Reciprocity can be a very powerful, positive and proactive force, or it can be a very negative force that adversely affects the relationships of mankind. In fact, the negative elements of The Law of Reciprocity are the greatest deterrents to true-love, world peace, and global harmony. Accordingly, The Law of Reciprocity may greatly help you, or it may greatly hinder you. Furthermore, a significant portion of mankind allows The Law of Reciprocity to dominate their lives in an extremely conactive manner. As an example, every act of road rage is the result of The Law of Reciprocity. The person infested with rage perceives himself as a victim of an insult perpetrated by another driver, and he's now determined to reciprocate that insult back to his unknown nemesis. And of course, the original insult, if it actually did occur, may have been intentional or nonintentional. Whatever the circumstances may have been, insult begets insult. Mankind must evolve beyond the limitations of The Law of Reciprocity if he's to achieve his ultimate potential within the Creator's cosmic village.

The exercise of The Law of Reciprocity is mankind's first nature, thus making it very natural and very easy to love your own kind. In response, your own kind naturally reciprocates their love for you. Your own kind is represented by your family, your neighbors next door and across the street, your fellow countrymen, your fellow members of your race or religion, and so on. This type of love is a conditional love based upon the condition: "I love you because you're part of my family, or neighborhood, or country, or race, or religion, and so on. You're the same as me; therefore, I love you." This type of conditional love is called "selective love." Selective love is very limited and very rigid, thus restricting your heart and mind from loving those who are different from you. And if you limit your love in conjunction with The Law of Reciprocity, then your heart and mind will never open to loving all of God's children; that is, your fellow sentient human beings. And know this great truth. Selective love is the death of morality and tolerance. The restriction and limitations of morality and tolerance quickly undermines the very essence of Democracy. If selective love ruled the hearts and minds of the People, then true Democracy would cease to exist. It would quickly decline into a fascist dictatorship, and the

undesirable people who are different from the ruling selective class would become second class citizens. And look what's coming next – persecution, false prosecution, unjust isolation, social inequality, and in extreme case murder

## **Selective Love as Addressed by Jesus**

I personally believe Jesus' primary topic of His teachings concerned the principles of love. As The Father of The Psychology of Love, His teachings are worthy of consideration. Did Jesus actually address the topic of selective love? Of course He did. This teaching was in association with the Roman's practice of State authorized revenue collectors; that is, the Tax Gathers. This is the recording of what Jesus said about selective love. "For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax gatherers do the same?"

The tax collectors in Jesus' day were the scum of the earth and were highly despised. These tax collectors lusted for money, and they sometimes used extortion and brutal force to obtain payment for alleged taxes. Often the tax debts were fabricated or were not legally binding. Subsequently, even the most corrupted scum of the earth love their own kind. Selective love is the single greatest obstacle to mankind's ultimate, spiritual evolution. Truly, selective love prevents the Children of Humanity from evolving to the spiritual level that our GBLC wants His children to achieve. When the collective of mankind removes the barrier of selective love, then peace and good will shall dominate all nations, which in turn shall allow mankind to achieve a quality of life that's now considered impossible. And know this important fact. Any selective lover can overcome his or hers nature to be a selective lover. Even one of Jesus' apostles was a tax collectors, that apostle being Matthew.

Note that The Law of Reciprocity may directly conflict with The Law of Love. Under The Law of Love, you're called to love all of our Creator's children, even those who are different from you and those who are your enemy. If you only exercise The Law of Reciprocity, then you'll never be able to make peace with your enemy – and thus secure peace for your

children, your grandchildren and your great grandchildren. Let's stop and consider military conflicts between two nations, especially long-standing conflicts. When belligerent people start loving their children more than they hate their enemy, then peace shall take root and dissolve the animosity that separates the warring parties. While the proactive elements of The Law of Reciprocity may serve you well (love begets love), the conactive elements of The Law of Reciprocity are a great stumbling block (antilove begets antilove). Beware the dark side of The Law of Reciprocity, and always seek to first fulfill The Law of Love. Always remember this. You can't truly love your GBLC if you're belligerent and hateful to any of His other children. When true, sincere and genuine love takes root in your heart, then wonderful things happen to you. Likewise, when true, sincere and genuine love takes root in the hearts of the global collective, then wonderful things shall happen to this great, beautiful and wonderful world.

# The Law of Reconciliation

The Law of Reconciliation: The Law of Reconciliation is the element of true, sincere and genuine love that creates the intentional and premeditated act to resolve and dispose all ill-will and contempt between opposing parties. The ultimate goal is to intentionally create mutual agreement, mutual respect, and mutual harmony between the conflicting parties, and thus achieve the dignity that's deserving of noble sentient beings such as the Children of Humanity.

The Law of Reconciliation is the only way to peacefully resolve hostile conflicts between two parties. This is because of the ethereal powers that are a part of this great cosmic law. The heart of The Law of Reconciliation is love, mercy and forgiveness. To move from the negative facets of The Law of Reciprocity to the good and righteous elements of The Law of Love, you must first exercise The Law of Reconciliation. By the exercise of The Law of Reconciliation, a conflict between opposing parties is dissolved, and the once contemptuous parties are now harmonious parties. Reconciliation is always a willful act that's considered and planned for the specific purposes of resolving a conflict. This can only occur as the result of

the internalized, sentient operations of a truly loving person. Like love, reconciliation is never an accidental occurrence. I believe an act of reconciliation involves an intellectual element, a volitional element, and an emotional element.

- 1. Reconciliation's Intellectual Element: Reconciliation begins with an intellectual element that seeks to understand the events and circumstances that led to the respective conflict. In effect, reconciliation first reviews and assesses the grievances of all conflicting parties. You must discern which grievances are true and reasonable, and which grievances are petty and lack reasonable justification. And above all, all parties must be as objective as possible to ensure all parties are treated fairly and reasonably. Accordingly, reconciliation always begins with an act of intelligence. In addition, when you need the grace of reconciliation, it's extremely helpful to specifically assess long-term effects as well as short-term effects. The heart of reconciliation's intellectual element is based upon the fact that "love and peace" are highly preferred to "fear and war." Note that love and peace are mutually and highly beneficial to all parties.
- 2. <u>Reconciliation's Volition Element</u>: Reconciliation is finally culminated with a volitional element that willfully forgives the persons who are in conflict. This especially includes forgiving oneself for the wrongs one has done. Reconciliation can never be realized unless both opposing parties desire and will to achieve "the state of reconciliation." All parties are mutually benefited when true, sincere and genuine forgiveness is exerted by all parties and to all parties.
- 3. Reconciliation's Emotional Element: Reconciliation then continues with an emotional element that initiates the sentient attribute of mercy. It's a common misconception that mercy is a voluntary act of the intellect. I personally believe mercy is an involuntary act of emotional feelings, those feelings being a composite of sympathy, sorrow and compassion. These three emotional attributes have the power to open a flood gate of mercy. In addition, these emotional feelings must be applied to all parties, including oneself. Everyone needs the internal attribute of self-mercy. And again, note that all parties mutually benefit from acts of mercy.

It's noted you must be cool, calm, collected and rational in order to properly exercise your faculties of intelligence, volition and emotions. You must be in control of all of your faculties if you're to exercise The Law of Reconciliation. Subsequently, if you're distressed and lacking in any one of these faculties, then you won't be able to exercise The Law of Reconciliation. This especially includes the control of one's emotions. Hostile emotions, especially hidden hostile emotions, always derail the reconciliation process. And know this great truth. The Law of Reconciliation is the only way to resolve one's personal, internal, soulful turmoil and agitation that's a result of internalized, belligerent animosity. I'm talking about self-belligerent-animosity that one inflicts upon oneself. All imperfect sentient beings need to exercise self-reconciliation. Harboring belligerent animosity sucks the happiness and joy right out of your life. And realize this. Belligerent animosity is a state of personhood that's created by the exercise of antilove. Some level of mercy and forgiveness is required to sustain the best of loving and healthy relationships. Consequently, all relationships only survive because The Law of Reconciliation is periodically exercised.

# The HSG Love Model

<u>The HSG Love Model</u>: Love is the active concern, the tender care, and the affirming compassion for the <u>happiness</u>, the <u>safety</u>, and the <u>growth</u> of another sentient being. HSG Love is the predominate form of true-love that's exercised among the Children of Humanity.

In my reflections, I have concluded mankind is primarily influenced by two forms of true-love. Each form of love is rooted within one element of mankind's duality; that is, mankind's terrestrial nature and mankind's celestial nature. Accordingly, there is terrestrial love and there is celestial love. Mankind's terrestrial love is founded in Brotherly Love, which the ancient Greeks called "phileo love." Mankind's celestial love is founded in godly love, which the ancient Greeks call "agape love." I define mankind's terrestrial love as "the HSG Love Model" and mankind's celestial love as "the SSD Love Model." The HSG Love Model is based upon the active

concern for a person's happiness (H), safety (S), and growth (G). The SSD Model of Love is based upon the active concern for a person's ultimate satisfaction (S), ultimate security (S), and ultimate development (D). Agape Love and the SSD Love Model are addressed in the next section.

It's emphasized the HSG Love Model is founded upon Brotherly Love. However, the HSG Love Model is far broader and much deeper than what is generally regarded as Brotherly Love. The HSG Love Model is like an iceberg where the essence and nature of Brotherly Love is only the tip of the iceberg. I firmly believe all true-love relationships begin with Brotherly Love. But look closely below this love-iceberg, and there you'll find all the other forms of TSG Love that are part of the human experience. This especially includes the love between husbands and wives, parents and children, good citizens and their country, and the Good Warrior and his or hers fellow citizens. The HSG Love Model is also called phileo love, and whenever I use the phrase "phileo love," I'm referring to the HSG Love Model. Likewise, I use the phrases "terrestrial love" and "HSG Love" to refer to the HSG Love Model. In addition, I use the word "phileoian" to refer to a person who exercises the HSG Love Model. If you're concerned, caring or compassionate about the happiness, safety and growth of those you love, then you're a phileoian. It's also noted that a phileoian is an "Advocate of Love."

This love-language which I have developed may seem silly and trite to many people, but I would gladly be labeled a phileoian and an Advocate of Love. Humbly speaking, I profess to be a phileoian, and I would be personally proud if my fellow citizens believed I really am a phileoian. Now, how about you? Would you find it acceptable to be defined as a phileoian or as an Advocate of Love? Do you want to be an Advocate of Love? And is it true that everybody loves a lover? Would they love someone who advocated HSG Love? Now, here are my personal reflections regarding some elementary principles of the HSG Love Model.

## **Elementary Principles of the HSG Love Model**

- 1. <u>HSG Love Is Always Active</u>: All forms of HSG Love are always active. I believe there's no such thing as passive love. A passive love is not TSG Love; but instead, passive love is an anemic form of pseudo love. A passive love has shallow roots and as soon as the relationship experiences the trials and tribulations of life, the passive love quickly withers and disintegrates. And most of all, passive love is well known for its absence of faithfulness, fidelity and loyalty.
- 2. <u>HSG Love Has All Three Dimensions of HSG</u>: True-Love involves all three human dimensions of happiness, safety and growth. Emphatically speaking, True-Love cannot exist unless all three HSG dimensions are an active part of one's self-professed love. If one of these dimensions is missing in a love relationship, then that love relationship is a conditional and rudimentary form of love.
- 3. The Inner Dynamics of HSG Love: The three dimensions of HSG Love actively interact and mutually support each other. The activity of each dimension must also be approximately equal or otherwise the love relationship becomes unbalanced. HSG Love is like a three legged stool where each dimension represents a leg of the stool. If all three legs are equal then the stool is balanced. If one leg is short and deficient, then the stool is unbalanced and tilted. No one likes a tilted love relationship no more than they like sitting on a tilted stool. You always have the nagging sensation you're about to slip off your foundation of love. Never allow your love to become unbalanced and then slip away. All love relationships require constant maintenance, and the best form of maintenance is preventive maintenance. Keeping the HSG love stool balanced is a function of preventative maintenance. Always remember, pay equal attention to the happiness, safety, and growth of those you love.
- 4. The Multiple Facets of Love's Growth Dimension: Most people readily understand love's dimensions of happiness and safety. In fact, most people over emphasize the dimension of happiness, and some people even believe love and happiness are synonyms. And of course, love that's only concerned with happiness is a highly conditional love.

Regarding love's safety dimension, most people also readily associate safety with the essence and nature of love. The active concern for the safety of someone you love is a very natural occurrence. This especially applies to loving parents and their love for their children. Throughout history, societies have always placed the safety of children as the societies' first concern. It really does take a village to properly raise a child. Also note that the safety of the youngest children receives the society's highest concern and protection. On the hand, the concern for a person's growth is often overlooked. Do you associate love with a person's growth? Furthermore, be sure to realize that love's growth dimension is not limited just to a person's physical growth and their good health. Love's concern for a person's growth includes all the multiple facets of the sentient human being and the human experience. The active concern for one's growth includes physical growth, intellectual growth, emotional growth, psychological growth, sentient growth, spiritual growth, and ultimately, to grow in the knowledge, wisdom and exercise of love. Let your love grow! And for those you love, be sure to fertilize them with love.

- 5. <u>HSG Love Is Mankind's Higher Lover</u>: HSG Love is the primary form of love that mankind achieves and exercises within the terrestrial realm. Accordingly, HSG Love is the terrestrial love form of mankind's higher love. This is especially in comparison to the many forms of conditional love. It's also noted at this time that Agape Love is a higher form of love than phileo love, and I call it "The Great Love."
- 6. <u>HSG Love Is Unconditional Love</u>: HSG Love is an unconditional love, thus being a higher state of love than any form of mankind's conditional loves, especially selective love. Any form of conditional love is not a true, sincere and genuine love, but represents a false and pseudo love. It's also noted perfect unconditional love is a human goal and is not a human condition. We are an imperfect people in an imperfect world, and we can only strive to do our best to be an HSG Lover.
- 7. <u>HSG Love Is the Bond That Binds Sentient Human Beings</u>: HSG Love is the cosmic sentient force that provides the love attribute called "human attachment." Human attachment is also called "interpersonal connection" and "human bonding." This is a positive, proactive and

optimistic form of bonding, and this type of bonding produces the interpersonal sensations of acceptance and belonging. Because of the power of acceptance and belonging, just the simple presence of your loved ones can make you happy. In a healthy relationship this bond continues to grow, and eventually the bond becomes unbreakable. Consequently, the love relationship evolves into "union love." Thus, it is deeply believed "true-love never fails." Lastly, it should be noted and emphasized that the concept of the "love-bond" never restricts or impedes the principles of sentient freedom. If it did, then the love-bond would actually be a form of human bondage. Never forget the heart of true-love is free-will, thus honoring our Creator's gift of sentient freedom for all of His children.

8. HSG Love Graciously Resolves Personal Human Conflicts: In the best and strongest of relationships, personal human conflicts still occur. Naturally, how you handle these inevitable conflicts will affect the quality of your relationships. In the mist of a conflict, it's very important for you to stop, listen, pause and think about your loved ones perspective of the conflict. You must graciously do this reflective communication in order to respond to your loved ones in a way that not only connects you with them, but also validates both of you. In this way, you have a better chance of arriving at a solution that will "connect you with your loved ones" and not "disconnect you from your loved ones." After all, HSG Love is all about mutual communications, mutual connections, and mutual commitments. Without love's interpersonal connections, your relationships will wither away and eventually die. Accordingly, the intentional exercise of HSG Love mutually, respectfully and peacefully resolves your personal human conflicts.

# **Additional Reflections**

Now consider this. A person exercises HSG Love when that love focuses upon the happiness, safety and growth of those people that are truly loved. If I express concern for your happiness, then I'm actually expressing my love for you. If I express concern for your safety or growth, then I'm also expressing my love for you. Beyond a doubt in my mind, you express

your love for someone by addressing your concerns for their happiness, their safety and their growth. And this is all a critical element in the concepts of the HSG Love Model. Accordingly, I can send you a coded message that says "I love you" simply by saying "HSG." And in doing so, I believe I significantly expand the depth of meaning of my love for you. I think it's great to use the three little words "I love you," but the three letter acronym "HSG" expresses far more meaning and does it with less emotional uncertainty.

The truth is many people have learned not to trust the phrase "I love you." On the other hand, "HSG" is a code that represents a cognitive concept that focus upon the three dimensions of life that matter the most – your happiness, safety, and growth. This is not to belittle or diminish the emotional element of love, for love cannot exist without a healthy portion of your emotional investment. But I sincerely believe we first need an intellectual grasp that provides a social standard for an introductory beginning of TSG Love. Accordingly, love is HSG! This is surely biased by my male gender disposition, where the science of psychology has well established that men tend to be intellectually polarized while emotionally subdued. Men think first and feel second. The truth is men often need to think less and feel more. And it's noted the male's intellectual polarization is independent of one's actual IQ. As for me, I know I'm smart because I adamantly embrace The First Paradigm of Life: "I know very little while I believe very much." Nonetheless, I most sincerely believe the elementary principles of the HSG Love Model are a great starting point for expressing my personal love for those I truly love. To those who read this message I say: "HSG to each and every one of you!" And I really mean that! May everyone in the entire world embrace and exercise the HSG Love Model.

# The SSD Love Model

<u>The SSD Love Model</u>: Love is the active concern, the tender care, and the affirming compassion for the ultimate <u>satisfaction</u>, the ultimate <u>security</u>, and the ultimate <u>development of another sentient being</u>. SSD Love is the only form of love by which mankind's Divine Creator loves His Children.

It's important to remember the distinction between the HSG Love Model and the SSD Love Model as defined in the above introductory paragraph of the HSG Love Model. This specifically applies to the concepts of celestial love, agape love, and their association with the SSD Love Model. Having that information in mind, it's emphasized the SSD Love Model is focused upon a godly type of love that far exceeds the foundations of Brotherly Love. The SSD Love Model is agape love, and whenever I use the phrase "Agape Love," I'm referring to the SSD Love Model. Likewise, I use the phrases "celestial love" and "SSD Love" to refer to the SSD Love Model. Furthermore, I use the word "agapian" to refer to a person who exercises the SSD Love Model. If you're concerned, caring or compassionate about the ultimate satisfaction, the ultimate security, and the ultimate development of those you love, then you're an agapian. I believe mankind's ultimate aspiration is to be a true, sincere, and genuine agapian, where the actualization as an agapian reflects mankind's ascension as a "godly sentient being." What shall be your ultimate state of sentient development? Now, here are my personal reflections regarding some elementary principles of the SSD Love Model.

# **Elementary Principles of the SSD Love Model**

- 1. <u>SSD Love Is Always Active</u>: All forms of SSD Love are always active. In fact, there is no form of love that's more active than SSD Love.
- 2. <u>SSD Love Has All Three Dimensions of SSD</u>: Agape Love involves all three sentient dimensions of satisfaction, security and development. True Agape Love doesn't exist unless all three SSD dimensions are an

active part of one's self-professed Agape Love. If one of these dimensions is missing in a love relationship that aspires to be an SSD Love relationship, then that love relationship is not founded upon SSD Love.

- 3. The Inner Dynamics of SSD Love: The three dimensions of SSD Love actively interact and mutually support each other. These are the same type of dynamic principles that apply to the HSG Love Model. The only difference is SSD Love is broader, deeper and more intense than HSG Love. Always remember, pay equal attention to the ultimate satisfaction, the ultimate security, and the ultimate development of those you love.
- 4. The Multiple Facets of Love's Development Dimension: Once again as with the HSG Love Model, the SSD Love Model's associated dimension of development requires a lover's special attention. As with the active concern for a person's growth, the active concern for a person's development is often overlooked as a function of love. But in contrast, the active concern for a person's ultimate development far exceeds the active concern for a person's growth. In fact, the concern for a person's ultimate development is believed to be the zenith of love. Can you love a person more than the love that supports the person to achieve the actualization of their full and ultimate potential? And what do you do after you have achieved the actualization of your full and ultimate potential? Are you now an Ultimate Lover?
- 5. SSD Love Is Also Called "The Great Love": HSG Love is the predominate form of love that mankind achieves and exercises within the terrestrial realm. Accordingly, HSG Love is a terrestrial love and is the terrestrial form of mankind's higher love, especially in comparison to all forms of conditional love. However, mankind has always recognized humanity yearns for a greater and more enduring love than his limited form of terrestrial love. Mankind needs to be loved beyond their human abilities. And by virtue of our Creator's love for His children, He does love His children beyond their abilities. Therefore, SSD Love is "Godly Love," and it's called "The Great Love."

6. <u>SSD Love Is Unconditional Love</u>: Sometimes I like to stirrup the pot. And this is a pot of "food for thought." I believe Godly Love is actually very conditional. But there's only one condition, and that condition is for Godly Love to be totally and absolutely unconditional. Therefore, the Lord of Life whispers to all His children.

"I love you in spite of all your imperfections, blemishes and failures. I love you simply because you are. Now, come home to me my precious child and be an active, creative and loving collaborator in my Kingdom of Love. And here in my kingdom you shall develop to be a great agapian lover. Truly and surely, you shall become the actualization of your full and ultimate potential."

Now, how does the SSD Love Model differ from the HSG Love Model? There's a sensation of personal satisfaction that far exceeds all terrestrial sensations of happiness. There's a sensation of personal security that far exceeds all terrestrial sensations of feeling safe. And there's a level of personal development that's far beyond all levels of terrestrial growth. In my reflections, I have come to believe in three additional elements of SSD Love.

- A. <u>SSD Love Is Mankind's Ultimate Love</u>: SSD Love is the ultimate form of love that mankind longs for. Only a disabled sentient mind would reject a love that provides the ultimate concern for their ultimate well-being.
- B. <u>SSD Love Is Partially Achievable in the Terrestrial Realm</u>: A partial form of SSD Love is achievable within the terrestrial realm. Where HSG Love ends and SSD Love begins is very difficult to discern.
- C. <u>SSD Love Dominates the Celestial Realm</u>: SSD Love is the type of love that's predominately exercised in the celestial realm; that is, in the world-to-come. Be of great faith! The best is yet to come! What your eye has not seen, or what your ear has not heard, nor what you cannot conceive in your heart is what awaits you if you willfully exercise true-love.

7. SSD Love Is the Bond That Binds Mankind's Creator With His Children: HSG Love involves "human attachment," but SSD Love involves "cosmic attachment." In addition, cosmic attachment provides mankind's ultimate sensations of acceptance and belonging. Just try to imagine the sensation of being lovingly bonded with your gracious, benevolent and loving Creator. And one day He shall make a public announcement where He will call you out and then pronounce:

"This is my beloved Child of Humanity with whom I am very pleased. Listen to her (or him), for she (or he) knows all about my perfect love for all of my Children of Humanity. My love cannot be separated from any of my children who truly love me Accordingly, we shall always be connected."

So then, just how strongly connected are you with your gracious Creator? Here is the Lord of Life's answer to this question.

"Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things past, nor things present, nor things to come, nor power, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing shall be able to separate the Children of Humanity from the love of their gracious, benevolent and loving Creator"

### **Additional Reflections**

Accordingly, SSD Love is primarily a celestial form of love, and it's properly referred to as a form of "a living love." In other words, love becomes us; and we become the personification of SSD Love. Hence, true-love is a state of being, and we have the ability to reflect this great truth within our terrestrial world. The Children of Humanity are called by their loving Creator to become the essence and nature of love. Thus, SSD Love is both a godly love and a Godly love. Our Creator's love for his children is agape love, whereby our Divine Creator is actively concerned for the ultimate well-being of each and every one of His children. When it comes to the well-being of His children, our Heavenly Father is tenacious in His caring, His concern and His compassion for all His precious children.

Agape love is the greatest of the ancient Greeks' four loves and literally represents a form of love that has a Godly nature. In many of the books and articles I've read, agape love is simply defined as Godly love. In the Bible's New Testament where Jesus teaches The Law of Love, the Greek word used for "love" in the phrases "love God" and "love your neighbor" is the Greek word "agape." In other words, The Law of Love requires you to love God with a Godly love and to love your fellow man also with a Godly love. Even when Jesus taught to "love your enemies," the Greek word used for "love" is "agape." Consequently, you're even required to love your enemies in a Godly way. SSD Love is mankind's ultimate form of love, and it's the form of love by which our gracious Creator loves all His children. Therefore, agape love is truly The Great Love, and it truly is a living love. Love is alive, and love is all around.

Now beware! Agape love isn't for the socially meek or the spiritually weak. Surely, the Lord of Life's intentional will for mankind is to exercise SSD Love, this being the greatest challenge of mankind's terrestrial experience. Mankind's greatest dilemma is learning how to love his enemies and how to love those who are unlovable. How do you love the unlovable? Herein lays the answer. How deep and how broad is your personal capacity to exercise The Law of Reconciliation? How capable and committed are you to loving your fellow man the same way God loves him? Truly and surely, it's tough enough just being a phileoian, but being an agapian requires a state of selflessness that can only be achieved by deepseated prayers and meditations. How deep is your love, and how willing are you to totally commit yourself to agape love? Beyond any doubt in my mind, the only way you can love your enemy is to exercise true, sincere and genuine SSD Love.

Finally, let me leave you with a great personal belief which I believe with all my heart. In the Kingdom of Love there is no one who professes to be a Christian. There is no one who professes to be a Jew or a Moslem or a Hindu or a Buddhist or any other member of an earthly religion. In the world-to-come, there are only two types of sentient beings. There are those who humbly profess to be an agapian, and there are those who humbly

profess to be a phileoian while earnestly aspiring to be an agapian. Actively seek the Kingdom of Love so that you may achieve your ultimate satisfaction, your ultimate security, and your ultimate development.

# The Model of Antilove

<u>The Model of Antilove</u>: Antilove is the active or passive degradation or depravation of the well-being of a sentient being. This degradation or depravation may be an attack upon a person's happiness, satisfaction, safety, security, growth or development. An antilover is motivated by conditional love, selective love, selfishness and fear.

In order to truly understand true-love, you also have to understand antilove. There is "love," and there is "that which is not-love." That which is not-love is called antilove. Antilove manifests itself in two forms – selfishness (envy and jealousy) and fear (especially the fear of anxiety). Antilove is counter-creative and counter-productive to all that's good, righteous and beautiful. Antilove seeks to destroy and to create chaos. In addition, antilove wants to dominate, control and command all sentient beings, especially the Children of Humanity. It's the active will of antilove to enslave all sentient beings. Deep within the heart of the ultra antilover dwells the intense desire and demented will to usurp the Throne of God. Finally, antilove is the essence and nature of malevolence and evil. Beware the deceptive powers of antilove, for antilove will beguile you and take command of you. The weapons you possess to fight antilove are truth, love, prayer and meditation, these being the ethereal substances that lead to enlightenment. Arm yourself well in the Good Fight against antilove. Now, here are my personal reflections regarding some elementary principles of the Model of Antilove.

# **Elementary Principles of Antilove**

- 1. Active and Passive Antilove: Antilove can be either active or passive. Active antilove is exercised by the bully who attacks a vulnerable person. Passive antilove is exercised by those who do nothing while watching the bully attack his victim. In theological terms, the active antilover exercises sins of commission. The passive antilove exercises sins of omission. It's also noted the greatest form of passive antilove is laziness. Be sure to know that our loving Creator despises laziness; that is, God regards laziness with contempt, distaste, disgust, disdain and scorn.
- 2. <u>Degradation and Depravation</u>: The definitions of the words "degradation" and "depravation" are as follows: (1) "<u>degradation</u>" means "the act of reducing or lowering in character or quality," and (2) "<u>depravation</u>" means "the act of making something bad or worse, or the act of corrupting." An antilover wants to reduce your sentient character while trying to corrupt your sentient soul.
- 3. <u>Antilove Nullifies Love</u>: Antilove can affectively nullify HSG Love and SSD Love. Antilove especially favors manifesting itself in the form of lawlessness. When lawlessness increases, many people's love grows cold, becomes withdrawn, and then is totally negated. Antilove would rule our world and the Cosmos if it could overpower the good and tenacious Knights of Love. Sometimes it takes a lot of courage to be a true-lover, and all too often it also takes a lot of sacrifice.
- 4. Antilove's Selective Attacks: In order to be effective in its corruption, antilove only needs to degrade or deprave one dimension of HSG Love or SSD Love. And sometimes it can be very difficult to recognize antilove when it's degrading or depraving only one dimension of true-love. When conditions and limitations are applied to just one dimension of true-love, then that limited form of love is a conditional love. The question to consider is this. How much antilove exercised in a relationship can be tolerated before the relationship crumbles into a total disaster?

- 5. Everyone Exercises Antilove: Everyone exercises antilove in some way, in some manner, and some times. The truth is fatigue makes antilovers of us all. Consequently, we must always remember this great paradigm. We are all imperfect people in an imperfect world, whereby we all need to receive and to give mercy, forgiveness, reconciliation and redemption. Now, what predominates in your heart love or antilove? And what are you doing to be the best and most consistent TSG Lover you can possibly be? Constant vigilance is required to guard against the dark powers of antilove.
- 6. Antilove Is a State of Being: Just the same as love is a state of being, antilove is also a state of being. In addition, it's extremely easy to fall into a state of antilove. Fortunately, the state of love is also easily entered through the open doors of prayer, mediation and love's power of reconciliation.
- 7. Antilove Effectively Blocks Interpersonal Communications: You must communicate your love if you're to sustain your love. On the other hand, antilove is often the results of a failure to communicate. TSG Love mandates expressions and communications. Therefore, beware of the detrimental consequences created by the failure to effectively communicate. A breakdown in love's communications can quickly lead to a state of antilove and fractured relationships. Meanwhile, malevolent antilove is actively involved in shutting down all channels of communications. When you hear someone say "I don't want to hear about it!" then you know antilove is jamming all hopes of establishing loving communications.
- 8. Antilove Separates the Bonds That Bind True-Love: It's easy to recognize antilove because of its nature to repulse and isolate the people that predominately exercise antilove. Whereas true-love's nature is to attract, attach, connect and bond people together, antilove's nature is to repulse, detach, disconnect and dissolve all healthy forms of relationships. While true-love provides the foundational sensation of personal acceptance, antilove provides the foundational sensation of personal rejection. And while true-love provides the foundational sensation of expulsion and isolation. Finally, a person whose character is founded

upon true-love makes you happy when they <u>enter</u> your presence. Such a person is a Type 1 Happy Maker. On the other hand, a person whose character is founded upon antilove makes you happy when they <u>leave</u> your presence. Such a person is a Type 2 Happy Maker. Consequently, everyone has the ability to make other people happy. It's just a question if you're a Type 1 Happy Maker or a Type 2 Happy Maker. Antilovers are incredibly selfish, lonely and unhappy people. Now, how about you? Are you primarily a Type 1 Happy Maker or a Type 2 Happy Maker?

## **Additional Reflections**

The Model of Antilove is a new concept for most people, and many people have a negative response to the concept. It's difficult to consider yourself as an antilover. And yet, everyone sooner or later degrades and depraves another person in some way, in some manner, and somehow. Every thought, word and act of animosity is an act of degradation and depravation upon another person. Facing your blemishes and imperfections can be very demoralizing, thus sucking the wind right out of your sails. That's why it's critically important to learn how to forgive yourself and thus build (and rebuild) the proactive sentient elements of your self-value, self-worth, self-esteem, and self-love. Our gracious, benevolent and loving calls all His children to take their best and make it better.

This is why I like The Model of Antilove. The war of "love versus antilove" is a constant battle, and we need a convenient method of determining how the battle is progressing. If you ignore the reality of antilove, then antilove has already won the war for the domination and control of your mind. Therefore, I throw down before you the gauntlet of love. This gauntlet is to be your living reminder that antilove truly does exist and it actively wants to dominate, control and command your beliefs, thoughts, mind, actions and character. Hence, in everything you believe, think, say or do, you have the willful choice to exercise either love or antilove. Now consider this. Are you winning the battle against antilove? In all your beliefs, thoughts, words and actions, challenge yourself to

discern if your true self is founded upon love or antilove. And every time you exercise this great and enlightening challenge, remember these two great paradigms. You shall be what you resolve to be, and love is never an accidental occurrence.

# **Antilove and Lust**

Lust is a special form of antilove that's a concentration of hedonistic selfishness. My intentional meaning of the word "lust" expands beyond the common understanding of the word. The word "lust" is usually used in the context regarding sexual desires, especially lecherous sexual desires. I define the word "lust" to mean "the innately and inordinately selfish nature of wanton desires." The word "inordinate" means: (1) beyond proper limits, or excessive; (2) disorderly, or uncontrolled; (3) unrestrained in conduct, feelings, or other sentient attributes; and (4) unregulated and undisciplined. The word "wanton" means: (1) unprovoked actions accomplished with malicious and unjustifiable conduct; (2) willful, deliberate and without proper and reasonable provocation; and (3) without regard for what is right, just and humane. The definition of principle interest is "without regard for what is right, just and humane". Accordingly, here is my expanded meaning of the word "lust." Lust is the uncontrollable and excessive selfish desires to obtain what you want without regard for what is right, just and humane.

Lust resides in the very heart of mankind's animalistic nature, for lust is the immoral essence of the human-animal. Like the story of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, there is a beast dwelling within every terrestrial human being, and if the beast is not controlled, it will create havoc for the individual and society as a whole. Sentient beings who allow lust to govern their lives ultimately live life by The Law of the Jungle and The Survival of the Fittest. Beyond any doubt, sentient human beings have the potential to have many forms of lusts including the lust for money, social power, sex, violence, gambling, alcohol, drugs, food, and even laziness. Lust has many forms, and any one of those forms has the ability to totally destroy you. Beware of the intoxicating powers of lust, for lust is the direct and slippery path to life's dark side.

# **Antilove, Fear and Selfishness**

If you closely consider and reflect upon the essence and nature of antilove, then you'll come to realize antilove is also the essence and nature of fear. In fact, antilove is fear, and fear is antilove. In this usage of the word "fear," I define "fear" to mean "a distressing emotion or state of being aroused by impending pain, danger, evil, or any other condition that leads to a person's degradation, depravation or detriment." Fear can be real or imaginary, and whether the fear is real or imaginary, fear can be very paralyzing and destructive. And remember the Wiseman who warned: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." Extreme fear has the power to obliterate all sensations of personal happiness and satisfaction, safety and security, and growth and development. Surely and truly, fear is the essence and nature of antilove.

Now, most people believe the opposite of love is hate. But this is not true. **The opposite of love is fear.** Hatred is actually a reaction to fear, whereby "hate" is defined as "an intense dislike for something or someone, and thus creates an aversion to what you fear." You come to hate what you truly fear in your heart. Now, it's important to realize there are only three forms of fear: jealousy, envy and anxiety. Also note that jealousy and envy are the two forms of selfishness. Consequently, fear and selfishness are directly associated with antilove. Here are the definitions of the three forms of fear: (1) **Jealousy**: the inordinate **fear** of losing that which you deeply desire. (2) **Envy**: the inordinate **fear** of not obtaining that which you deeply desire. And (3) **Anxiety**: the **fear** of the unknown.

What is the full meaning of the word "anxiety?" My personal, definition of the word "anxiety" is "the fear of the unknown." The textbook definition of the word "anxiety" is "distress or uneasiness of mind caused by apprehension of danger or misfortune." There's also a very interesting psychiatric definition for the word "anxiety," which is "a state of apprehension and psychic tension found in most forms of mental disorders." It should be very apparent the ethereal substance of anxiety is a major factor in the lives of everyone. Where anxiety rules, then the quality of life greatly suffers. Everyone suffers from some degree of personal anxieties.

Jealousy, envy and anxiety always attack the heart of your well-being. If left unchallenged, these evil forces shall consume your spirit and soul, and then you'll become the living essence of antilove and an agent of evil. If you're to be an obedient and loving child of your Divine Creator, then you must be the master of your fears. This especially applies to the fear and anxiety of death. Do not fear death; but instead, accept and embrace the perfect love of your gracious and benevolent Creator. Never forget, perfect love casts out all fears. By being the master of your fears, you'll then have the power and ability to overcome your selfish desires. Always beware the seductive powers of antilove, fear and selfishness, for these evil forces actively seek to lure you to sleep and then snag you into their web of deceit and doom.

# The Proactive Elements of Selfishness and Fear

Everything in life has both a proactive feature and a conactive feature. While the ethereal substance of love is predominantly proactive, love can also have a conactive feature. As an example, there is a form of love that's called "smother-love." Excessive tender-love can bury a person until they lose their sense of self. The good intentions of the person exercising the smother-love may be true, sincere and genuine, but the ultimate act of smother-love undermines the well-being of the person loved. Love is a dynamic force that must always balance the short-term benefits with the long-term benefits. As an example, water is an incredible benefit of mankind, but if you get too much water, then you can easily drown in it. Too much of any good benefit can easily become a degradation and depravation to a person.

In a similar manner there are proactive forms of selfishness and fear. Proactive selfishness is actually a specific application of true self-love. True self-love is always active and always proactive. Proactive fear is actually a reverent and deep-seated respect of a power, force, authority, or other specific condition that could be potentially dangerous. Let us stop and ponder about proactive selfishness and proactive fear.

A person who is truly dedicated and devoted to the Life-Principle of Love can give, and give, and give until they're exhausted from their excessive giving. You can give so much in the short-term that it becomes a detriment in the long-term. Ultimately, you're responsible for your well-being. When your love-giving has become so great that you're totally exhausted mentally, emotionally, financially, or spiritually, then it's time for you to intercede with a healthy portion of proactive selfishness. The Art of Living mandates the moderation and balance in all elements of life. Everybody wants and needs a dynamically balanced life. It's a natural element of life that sentient human beings easily and readily deplete themselves, and thus require periodic rest and recuperation. In fact, proactive selfishness is a critical part of proactive self-love. And this is a great truth. The mutual well-being of the collective is dependent upon the well-being of the vast majority of society's individuals.

I firmly believe fear is mankind's ultimate nemesis. It's the soul – not the body – that suffers the most. If fear truly is mankind's ultimate nemesis, then how can there be a proactive form of fear? But I also know there is a proactive form of fear. Surely, we can fear a snake or any other dangerous animal, and that fear is certainly a healthy and proactive feature of self-preservation. We can also experience the fear of failure which actually is a specific type of anxiety. Truly, fear can be a major motivating force on the road to ultimate success. In addition, most people have heard of these two wise sayings. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." "Fear not he who can destroy the body; but instead, fear He who can destroy the body and the soul." These are definitely two examples of proactive fear.

Now, when it comes to the fear of God, many Bible scholars define that form of fear to be "an immense and deserving measure of respect." This also results in a discussion regarding the difference between the respect of God versus the honor of God. Do you fear the Lord of Life, or do your respect the Lord of Life, or do your honor the Lord of Life? But no matter what your personal perspective may be, everyone who believes in the living reality of mankind's Creator has a deep-seated inkling of "Godly fear." The question to consider is this. Does our loving Creator actually want His

children to fear Him? I personally believe our loving Creator only wants His children's love and not their fear. Nevertheless, that old inkling of fear can quickly activate and make the hair on the back of my neck rise up and tingle. But on the other hand, how many stories are there about a sentient human being's encounter with his Divine Creator, and where the story begins with the Creator saying: "Fear not! It is I, your Heavenly Father." Surely, these are some of the best stories that have ever been told.

## **Conactive Anxiety**

Conactive anxiety may be the greatest mental and emotional disorder experienced by mankind. This statement is based upon a quantitative perspective, thus representing the massive invasive nature of anxiety throughout society. Sooner or later everyone is affected by conactive anxiety. However, some people's encounters with anxiety are far more severe than the usual and customary encounters served up by anxiety. The mental and emotional stress of anxiety may also cause a variety of physiological related disorders. My sympathy is extended to those people who suffer from an excessive measure of anxiety, especially anxiety that's generated by imaginary apprehensions. Imaginary apprehensions are the unknown factors of anxiety, and that's why anxiety is the fear of the unknown. Excessive anxiety results in the soulful turmoil of panic attacks. Panic attacks can range from mild conditions to extremely severe conditions. In addition, excessive anxiety quickly leads to depression. Anxiety and depression go together like two sides of a coin. Furthermore, the more intense the anxiety is and the longer the anxiety lasts, then the more severe the depression becomes.

Now, anxiety and depression are natural elements of life, and everyone experiences some levels of anxiety and depression. Fortunately, most people work through their personal bouts of anxiety and depression. As previously addressed, some forms of anxiety actually benefit a person. Unfortunately though, there are some people who react to anxiety with an excessive and irrational response that creates havoc in their souls. And it seems to me that some of the worst cases of crippling anxiety are created by religious generated anxieties. This is the irrational thinking that may occur.

## **Anxiety's Potential Mind Trap**

I really believe in the living reality of my Creator, and I truly love Him. So then, why isn't my life happy, satisfying and fulfilling? Why do my problems and concerns manifest themselves as incapacitating worries? Am I hiding some dark secret sin which I have concealed from myself? Have I offended my Creator so badly that I'm now His reprobate? Why am I like a sinking ship in a sea of despair? Is anyone concerned about me, and does anyone really care about me? Where is the compassion I'm supposed to receive? And where is the love? Where is the perfect love that shall set free me from all my anxieties? Why is it that I feel so all alone and why do I even exist? Mighty Angel of Death, can you at least comfort me?

Based upon my personal inquiry of self-interest, it has been consistently proven that anxiety and depression are best mended by proper and effective cognitive therapy. This type of therapy is based upon the pursuit of truth and the exercise of love. And a critical part of the pursuit of truth involves the patience's education of love's elementary principles, especially the principles of proactive self-love. The truth shall set you free, but a disabled mind presents a tremendous challenge to the therapist's success. A person's dysfunctional emotional nature can readily nullify the person's intellectual nature and enslave the person's volitional nature. In such a case, neither acts of intelligence nor the will of the spirit can overcome the intensity of the anxiety and the inertia of the depression. We're incredibly fragile creatures, thus often making life unfair, risky, uncertain and imperfect. How do you mend a broken heart that's beyond human mending? O Mighty Creator, where is your tender and healing love? Please pour upon your disabled child the healing miracle of your compassionate love.

If I had the power to eradicate just one detrimental element of the human experience, I would eradicate the conactive and detrimental effects of excessive anxiety and immobilizing depression. The care of the soul is first paramount, and a broken soul is a truly sad and demeaning condition of the human experience. When a person's life is saturated in the darkness of total despair, then it's extremely difficult to see the small glimmer of hope

that radiates from the heavenly side of the clouds of despair. Can a sentient mind actually be defective, and therefore, incapable of adapting and adjusting to life's usual and customary levels of anxiety and depression? Are such conditions the result of The Law of Fate? And will mankind ever find a way to heal a sentient mind that's ravaged with irresolvable anxieties? To the victims of excessive anxieties, I know my words offer very little solace. But I truly do feel for you, and I wish you well. All I can really do is leave you with this thought. Embrace the ideals of hope, faith and love, for in the end, this is all anyone can really possess – no matter what one's state of mind may be. Never give up your hope of soulful mending, and never give into the degrading and depraving whispers of anxiety and depression. Our gracious and benevolent Creator's love is perfect, and in the end, His perfect love shall prevail. It simply has to!

### The Life-Principles of Antilove and Selfishism

A life consumed by antilove is a life that's based upon the Life-Principle of Antilove. You can even divide the Life-Principle of Antilove into two subgroups: (1) the Life-Principle of Active Antilove, and (2) the Life-Principle of Passive Antilove. As an example, a hard core criminal lives a life based upon the Life-Principle of Active Antilove. The active antilove lives life by this principle: "What is yours is mine, and I shall take by whatever means is necessary." A person who isolates and insulates himself or herself from society lives a life based upon the Life-Principle of Passive Antilove. Such a person avoids the responsibilities of love and life, and they hardly ever (if never) give from the charity of their heart. This is because they have no charity in their heart. The passive antilove lives life by this principle: "What is mine is mine, and I shall keep it mine no matter how much you may need it." In a similar manner, a life consumed by selfishness is a life that's based upon the Life-Principle of Selfishism. Let me first define what I mean by the word "selfishism." I define "selfishism" as "the internalized sentient drive founded upon the fundamental concepts of selfishness, whereby one willfully chooses to live life by actively fulfilling their selfish desires." Accordingly, selfishism seeks to immediately fulfill the self-gratification human pleasures.

#### The Spiritual Nature Of The Sentient Human Being

All forms of lust are selfishism, and all acts of selfishism are acts of antilove. Now, everyone acts in a selfish manner every now and then. And don't forget about the proactive form of selfishness that can be very beneficial. However, people who consistently act in a selfish manner are living the Life-Principle of Selfishism. There are some people who are extremely loving, and there are some people who are extremely selfish. It's always easy to distinguish the extreme ends of life's spectrum. However, most people dwell somewhere between the two extremes of the spectrum. Accordingly, it can be very difficult to distinguish the genuine lovers from the selective lovers. What truly dominates, controls and commands your heart? Is it love, or is it antilove? Do you intentionally choose the Life-Principle of Love, or do you allow your innate animalistic nature to control you, thereby living life by the Life-Principle of Selfishism? The choice is blatant, and you must make a choice. Do you choose love and selflessness, or do you choose antilove and selfishism?

### Part 5

# A Sincere And Cheerful Farewell

## **Closing Reflections**

I've tried my very best to write this book in a soulful, interesting and successful manner. This has been a tremendous, personal challenge because I'm not gifted with a natural literary talent. Nevertheless, I know I'm a better person for my efforts. In spite of my writing limitations, I hope the reader has enjoyed this book and finds his or hers efforts were worth the investment. To this task I've been true, sincere, and genuine. I like to think of myself as adding warmth and color to a cold and gray world. I also know the primary topic of this book – that is, sentient-love – is a very good topic and a very important topic. Sentient-love is like a rainbow which radiates warmth and comfort. Our world needs a much better understanding of the fundamental principles of love. In turn, I truly and deeply hope the reader would share his or hers reflections of this book with their family and friends. Please help expand the collective's knowledge and understanding of love. In reflection of this fact, I wish the reader all the blessings that life has to offer. Live long and prosper, actively sharing all the fruits of your love with your fellow sentient human beings.

# Live Life by The Ideology of Love

Maybe you haven't fully bought into the power and glory of sentient-love. Are you on the fence, tending to totter between love and antilove. I know for many people, antilove is a very viable choice, but that's only because they don't believe in the living reality of mankind's Creator. If this is the case, then please consider one more very important element of life. I know life is a very difficult struggle, and disadvantaged

citizens have a far greater challenge than the fortunate citizens who are blessed with life's abundance. Nonetheless, all citizens need to focus upon the big picture of life, which includes the ultimate prize for the Children of Humanity. What is the ultimate prize of life? The ultimate prize of life is the continuing existence in the world-to-come; that is, life in the Kingdom of Love. Sentient-love shall lead you to the freedom of the fear of death, and the freedom of the fear of death is the greatest gift you can obtain in our terrestrial world. This is true whether you're a disadvantaged child of God or an advantaged child of God.

In the event you perceive yourself as being a disadvantaged child, then consider this great truth. Being poor doesn't diminish a person's ability to live life by The Ideology of Love. Growing up in a low income neighborhood that's riddled with violent crime, dope dealers, dope addicts, and prostitutes doesn't reduce a person's ability to live life by The Code of Love. Growing up in a single parent family doesn't decrease a person's ability to live life by the principles of love. And growing up in a family where one or both parents are defective and toxic doesn't negate the ability to live life by the life principle of love. Ultimately, there's no cosmic excuse for failing to live life by the power and glory of love. While antilovers may misguide a person along life's path to loving enlightenment, all of God's children are presented with many invitations to the fruits of love. It all a simple matter of a person choosing love over antilove. It's all a matter of personal will, and where there's a will, there's a way.

Now, consider this fact. The power and glory of sentient-love includes immediate short-term rewards and blessings as well as future long-term rewards and blessings. Love is the most satisfying ethereal substance known to mankind. Selfish desires may promise immediate gratification, but these selfish gratifications don't satisfy and fulfill the deep longings of the soul. These false promises of immediate gratification are black lies, and they're usually made with the intentional purpose of deceit and deception. They're looking for the spiritually weak who can easily be trapped by the lure of selfishism. Ultimately, selfishism leaves a sour and bitter taste, thus forging the person into a sour and bitter state of being. Surely and truly, everyone must consider this great and wise question regarding the reality of life: "What does a man profit if he gains the whole world but loses his soul?"

Sentient-love is impartial and indiscriminant. With sentient-love, it doesn't matter if you're rich or poor, or if you're highly intelligent or simple minded. With sentient-love, it doesn't matter if you're male or female, or if you're straight or gay. With sentient-love, it doesn't matter if you're Christian, Jewish, Moslem, Hindu, Buddhist, or any other earthly religion. And with sentient-love, it doesn't matter if you're capitalist, communist, socialist, or any other political ideology. Sentient-love is for all, but not all are for sentient-love. This is very tragic when you consider the personal value love is to the sentient human being. And it's all a matter of personal choice. Love is never an accidental occurrence, but it's always an intentional exercise of those who willfully chose to live life by the power and glory of love. Sure, the world may be in total turmoil, but sentient-love is always creative and always finds the good rewards of life. Now, how about you? What shall you choose? Do you choose sentient-love and celestial life, or do you choose selfishism and celestial death? I hope you chose love and life! Finally consider these questions. Where shall your mind dwell at the moment of your terrestrial death? What do you think the Angel of Death really looks like?

# The Angel of Death Is Mankind's Greatest Fear And Anxiety

There's no greater faith than the confident belief that your terrestrial death is also your celestial birth. The person who diligently and consistently exercises sentient-love steadily evolves in spirit and faith. Eventually you attain an enlightenment that reveals your spiritual entity shall continue to live after your physical death. Thus, you have the ability to live your terrestrial life with confidence, joy, optimism and a positive anticipation that the best is yet to come. And what is the source that creates these inner personal sensations of confidence, joy, optimism and positive anticipation? It's the three great sentient promises our Celestial Father has revealed to His Children of Humanity.

<u>Sentient Promise #1</u>: All things work to good for those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their Creator.

<u>Sentient Promise #2</u>: Things which the eye has not seen, things which the ear has not heard, and things which cannot be conceived in the hearts of mankind is what awaits those who truly, sincerely and genuinely love their Creator.

<u>Sentient Promise #3</u>: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things past, nor things present, nor things to come, nor power, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing shall be able to separate the Children of Humanity from the love of their gracious, benevolent and loving Creator.

### O' Mighty and Frightful Angel of Death, Would You Please Be My Friend and Neighbor?

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of Death, I shall fear no Evil, for my loving Creator is always with me. His powers of love comfort me, and my cup of abundance runneth over. In His infinite grace, He prepares a great feast for me in celebration of my life. Surely, goodness and loving kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. And I shall dwell forever in the Holy Mansion created by my gracious, benevolent and loving Creator. Because my benevolent Creator's love is absolutely perfect, His love casts out all my fears and anxieties, and my soul is liberated to soar like an angel on high. With great joy, I now make the Angel of Death my good and comfortable friend. O' mighty Angel of Death, my true forbearing and foreboding friend, where now is your sting? And to my all powerful, all knowing, and all present Celestial Father, into your hands I entrust my soul and spirit. When you truly love your gracious Creator, then every day is a good day to die!

# Be a Mighty and Noble Advocate of Love

I have asked you several times in the process of this book for you to become an <u>Advocate of Love</u>, which I abbreviate as "<u>AoL</u>." What does it really mean to be an Advocate of Love, especially a Mighty and Noble Advocate of Love? The word "advocate" means: (1) to plead in favor of; support or urge by argument; recommend publicly; and (2) one who defends, vindicates, or espouses a cause by argument; upholder; defender. Here's my personal definition of an Advocate of Love.

### **Definition of an Advocate of Love**

An Advocate of Love is a person who supports, recommends and urges their family, friends and acquaintances: (1) to pursue the truth about the principles of true-love, (2) to exercise true-love, (3) to quietly and graciously teach the principles of true-love, and (4) to defend the principles of love as being the best Life-Principle and Life-Ideology by which a person can live their life.

It's actually a simple thing to be an AoL. Basically, you make the conscientious decision to live life by The Ideology of Love, and then you follow up on that decision by consistently exercising the principles of love. Thus, you become dedicated, devoted and committed to exercising the principles of love. In addition, you share the principles of love with other people, including family, friends and acquaintances. Upon gaining experience and confidence as an Advocate of Love, you'll find yourself sharing the principles of true-love with strangers. Lastly, you need to know there are two types of Advocates of Love and you have to make a decision which type of AoL you want to be. The two types of AoL are the Quiet Advocate of Love and the Vivacious Advocate of Love.

#### **The Quiet Advocate of Love**

The Quiet AoL is for the loving person who commits himself or herself to the quiet and inward practices of the principles of love. I designate this type of AoL as "the Quiet Advocate." Quiet Advocates exercise the principles of love to all persons they meet, but they especially exercise love principles with their family and friends. As a Quiet AoL, you actively talk about the principles of love with your close circle of family and friends. When you do this, you'll learn your love for them grows even stronger. Likewise, you'll learn their love for you also grows stronger. Thus, the bonds of love are reinforced, and they shall not break when the Winds of Fate blow trials and tribulations upon you and those you love. This will be a magnificent blessing to you and those you love. Also as a Quiet Advocate, you'll use every opportunity to express some little elements of love principles with strangers you encounter every day. If the stranger is also an AoL, you may even remark to the person that they appear to be an AoL. If they are an AoL, then they'll probably smile with you and respond in a courteous and friendly manner. If they're not an AoL, then you'll have an opportunity to briefly mention to them The Ideology of Love, and especially the elements of brotherly love, democracy and the hope and optimism of life. And who knows? You may be the loving person whose smile and kind words lead the stranger to a better life, a more satisfying life, and a more fulfilled life. If that should happen, then I bet they'll seek you out and thank you greatly for the quiet guidance you selflessly gave them. If this doesn't happen in this world, then I know it'll happen in the world-tocome.

## **The Vivacious Advocate of Love**

The Vivacious AoL is for the loving person who commits himself or herself to the energized and outward practices of the principles of love. I designate this type of AoL as "the Vivacious Advocate." The Vivacious Advocate is a person who is a pupil of, and an adherent follower of, the fundamental principles of love, whereby the Vivacious AoL actively seeks to share and teach the principles of love to others. As defined by the definition of the word "vivacious," a Vivacious AoL is a lively, animated, enthusiastic and committed Advocate of Love. Now, Vivacious Advocates

do everything the Quiet Advocates do, but they also actively seek to teach the principles of love in an active manner. This is done in many ways, and whenever and wherever opportunity strikes. But this is best done in a well planned and methodical manner. Accordingly, the Vivacious AoL actively pursues to fulfill The Great Love Mission: "To every person in every nation, let us teach the principles of love."

The potential rewards of the Vivacious Advocate are beyond human perception. And who really knows what you can do as a Vivacious Advocate of Love? Maybe you'll be the Vivacious Advocate who takes a low income neighborhood that's riddled with violent crime, dope dealers, dope addicts, and prostitutes, and turns the neighborhood into a thriving and spiritually prosperous neighborhood – a fantastic neighborhood where concern, care and compassion rule the hearts of all who dwell there. Now, there's a neighborhood that all citizens would be proud to grow up in. Would you please be my loving neighbor? And the amazing truth is there are love-scorched and love-dried cities where one can find several neighborhoods that are a love-oasis. Love is like a cool, wet glass of water in the scorched and dry desert of despair. And as an Advocate of Love, you're the water bearer.

## Start a Phileo Study Group

In the event you choose to be a Vivacious Advocate of Love, then your personal mission is to actively fulfill Love's Great Mission: "To every person in every nation, let us teach the principles of love." I personally believe the best way to accomplish this admirable mission is by having an informal and limited gathering of family and friends for the primary purpose of learning and sharing the principles of love. I call this a Phileo Study, for which the literal meaning is "the Study of Brotherly Love." Let us study together and learn the principles of love.

A Phileo Study Group should have at least six members, but no more than twelve members. The study group should meet once each week, on the same day and at the same time. Meeting consistency is critical for the success of the study. However, the group must also plan appropriate breaks from the weekly meetings. The group should choose the materials to be studied, and of course I recommend the group begin their study with this book. This obviously would be very rewarding to me on several levels. Needless to say, there are many good books on the subject of love. The group should select several books for study and be prepared to start the study of the next selected book. Include a variety of book subjects that are inspirational and enlightening to the soul. Such books can be fictional as well as nonfictional. Furthermore, the study group should mix things up such as watching a good, life affirming movie. Be sure to have a lively discussion concerning the love principles that are part of the movie.

Now, the continuous learning of the principles of love is fulfilling within itself, but a secondary advantage of a Phileo Study Group is derived from the close socialization with family and friends. Each study session should also include refreshments and time for individual interactions. At least one group session each month should include a pot luck dinner prior to the study secession. You should also vary the home location where the study session occurs. When the group has finally completed the chosen study material, you will probably find the greatest enjoyment of the study was the socialization with your family and friends. Consequently, your bond of love shall continue to grow stronger with your family and friends. And here once again, the power and glory of love provides additional satisfaction and fulfillment in conjunction with the positive affirmation and ethereal blessings of this wonderful human experience.

Once a vivacious AoL has some experience with several Phileo Study Groups, then the AoL should start a Phileo Study Group with individuals who are outside one's immediate circle of family and friends. This would also be an excellent way of creating new friends. Places of Religious Assembly (churches, synagogues, mosques, and so forth) should also start Phileo Study Groups, both for their members and as an outreach program for their communities. I believe it would be wonderful if

Vivacious Advocates would start and organize high school programs for Phileo Studies. Such Phileo Studies would be an after school activity and could even be called the Phileo Club. Furthermore, this type of activity would also be a study of many academic elements including government and civics, sociology, psychology, and theism. The heart of the program is to help these highly impressionable teenagers make wiser life-choices and to help prepare them to become better citizens. Likewise, colleges and universities should offer special programs for Phileo Study Groups. And who really knows? Maybe high schools and colleges will even offer the study of love's elementary principles as a credited course. America and all nations truly need dedicated educational courses that teach the fundamental principles of love.

## **An Affectionate Goodbye**

I've presented many features regarding the fundamental concepts of the human experience. If there is one feature that is first important, then it's the concept of the innate value of each and every sentient human being. You are of great worth and of great value simply because you're literally a precious child of the Cosmic Creator. You're literally a very highly valued entity with a cosmic potential that's beyond your current ability of conception. You are created by your loving Creator with a cosmic element that I call the **PICV Factor**, where PICV is an acronym for **Personal**, Intrinsic Cosmic Value. If you accept this great paradigm and let it take root within your sentient heart, then your entire perspective of life becomes solidly bonded in the fundamental principles of love. When you truly accept your PICV, then you shall become the personification of love. When this great love meets you face-to-face, it's an event you shall never forget. And you shall recall this event from time-to-time, drawing inner strength in moments of spiritual trial. Relax and rest in this moment of your destiny.

You're probably wonder how I know this cosmic condition with such personal conviction? It's because I had this personal experience of meeting love face-to-face. It was revealed to me as a PSE of the Second Kind. Such an event is a matter of subjective truth in the terrestrial world, but this great event lingers in my heart as a great objective spiritual truth. And I'm confident that if you sincerely seek to know the living reality of your loving Creator, then you too shall have a PSE of the Second Kind. I'm hoping you're wondering what a "PSE" is. "PSE" stands for "Personal Spiritual Experience."

I have sincerely learned that one of the driving forces of love is to share the meaning, power, and glory of love. This book is my personal attempt to fulfill this Driving Force of Love. How well have I done? Of course, the answer is not for me to determine. The fruits of one's love cannot be judged by oneself, but they can only be judged by others. And you shall be known by the fruits of your love. Likewise, it's proper to say: "I profess to be an Advocate of Love." But it's not proper to say: "I am an Advocate of Love." Only other people are capable of determining if you're a true Advocate of Love, and that's because they can reasonably judge the fruits of your love.

If I don't achieve my personal dream of this book being a success, then that's fully acceptable to me. I cast my fate upon the wind, and where fate blows my efforts, then that's where fate has taken me. For this I am confident. It's a far, far better thing to have tried and failed than to not have tried at all. After all, all I really have to offer you is the sincerity of my personal convictions. However, personal convictions are a dime a dozen and few people really care about another person's convictions. Hence, I sense I'm just a whisper in the wilderness where mighty prophets yell and scream for your attention. How can my whisper be heard over the clanging of the mighty prophets? On the other hand, one who truly pursues the truth shall strain an ear just to hear a whisper of truth.

#### **Have I Helped You**

My friends, I hope your efforts in reading this book have been worthy of your investment. It has been my intent and desire to speak to the heart of your very existence. Have I helped you in your journey to better understand the principles of love?

Have I enhanced and expanded your perspective of love, life and death? I truly hope so.

Have I helped you find a gracious and benevolent resting place for your mind to dwell at the moment of your terrestrial death? This would surely be a good thing to do.

Have I assisted you in building up your confidence in the belief of the world-to-come and your pending celestial birth? I wish for you to have a very happy, happy celestial birthday.

Have I tenderly touched your mind so it has lead you to a life of hope? If I have, then I am highly satisfied.

Have I gently stroked your soul so it has guided you to a life of faith? If I have, then I have accomplished a mighty deed.

And have I cast a soothing whisper to you so it slightly opened a door to your heart and the Spirit of Truth rushed in, and thereby a life of love has been actualized? If I have, then the desire of my life has been fulfilled.

If I could know I have done these things, then I shall die a very contented man.

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I hope you have found some satisfaction in reading this book.

I look forward to the paths of our minds crossing once again.

Choose to be an AoL and help fulfill love's great mission.

To all my friends I say, let's <u>Luv & Liv</u> forever.

The sincerity of my love I give to all.

HSG to all!

Reid Collier

## **Notes and Reflections**


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## Please consider the following questions.

Are you a person of honorable character?

Are you a positive, proactive and optimistic person?

Do you diligently and consistently exercise true, sincere and genuine love?

Are you the kind of person who makes other people happy simply by entering their presence?

Have you forged your deep-seated beliefs by your willful exercise of introspective reflections?

Do you believe life has meaning, value and purpose that's primarily derived from a spiritual origin?

Do you believe the moment of your physical death is also the moment of your celestial birth into the world-to-come?

Where shall your mind dwell at the moment of your physical death?

If you find yourself interested in these questions, then this book by Reid Collier may help you find a better insight of love and life.

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