SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th – at THE INN OF CHICAGO - 11:00 A.M./12:30 P.M. (Attend In Person, On-line, or by Phone!)

JOEL S. GOLDSMITH: THE 1964 LONDON STUDIO CLASS
“World Work 1964 – We May Not Pass by on the Other Side,” Tape 1, Side 2 (#562B)

JOHN STEPHENSON: THE 2013 WAIKIKI CLASS
“Stillness Is An Activity of God” Session 7

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8th – On-line Meeting - 7:30 P.M. (Attend On-line or by Phone!)

“Imbuing the Mind,” Session 4

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20th – at 259 SKYLINE DR., CARPENTERSVILLE - 11:00 A.M. (Attend In Person, On-line, or by Phone!)

JOEL S. GOLDSMITH: THE 1963 KAILUA PRIVATE CLASS
“The New Teaching,” Tape 5, Side 1 (#520A)

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22nd – On-line Meeting – 7:30 P.M. (Attend On-line or by Phone!)

JOEL S. GOLDSMITH: THE 1961 MAUI WORK
“Two Steps To Spiritual Freedom (Habakuk 3:18-20),” Tape 1, Side 1 (#389A)

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LUELLA OVEREEM: THE 1986 GREEN BAY CLOSED CLASS
“Neither Good Nor Evil,” Session 4

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STUDY CHAPTERS FOR OCTOBER

VIRGINIA STEPHENSON: THE MONTHLY LESSON OF OCTOBER, 2013: “Imbuing the Mind;”

JOEL GOLDSMITH: A MESSAGE FOR THE AGES, Chapter 10: “Educating the Human Mind Out of Itself;”


ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOB HARPER CLASS, LAGUNA WOODS, CA, October 11-13. Contact Dorothy: 949-583-1240 or (Email: Gary.hogan@yahoo.com)

JOHN DREWERY CLASS, CHICAGO, October 26-27. (IW teacher from Monterey, CA) For Info: John 310-963-9377

WEEKLY BOOK STUDY MEETING: Every Thursday, 7:30 P.M. CST. (Meditation 7:15) You may participate on-line or by phone. This will be an open-mic meeting, and you will need Joel’s book, A MESSAGE FOR THE AGES. The Chapters for October will be Chapter 10, and Luella Overeem’s October, 1975 IW Letter Lesson. IMPORANT ANNOUNCEMENT: Please register for the On-line book study meeting by email: bob_harper@sbcglobal.net, or by phone (847) 428-4759

CHICAGO GOLDSMITH GROUP ON-LINE TAPE MEETINGS: See individual meeting excerpts for connection info. Meditation begins 15 min. before scheduled meeting time. NOTE: If the on-line meeting room is full, try connecting by phone. Meeting time CST.

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SATURDAY ON-LINE TAPE MEETING: Liz and Marty Parker. Info: www.goldsmithglobal.org

EXCERPTS FROM TAPES FOR STUDY, PRACTICE, AND MEDITATION

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JOEL S. GOLDSMITH: THE 1964 LONDON STUDIO CLASS

"World Work 1964 – We May Not Pass By On the Other Side,” Tape 1, Side 2 (#562B)

The Master healed the blind but he never said that “I healed the blind.” He said that the glory of God may be made manifest. Don’t forget that – that the glory of God may be made manifest. And how can we be instruments through which the glory of God may be made manifest, that is the all power of God? By being still and knowing that I in the midst of me is God. That which is closer to me than breathing, the very spirit of God within me. That which is formed me before I was in my mother’s womb.

His spirit is upon me and “I am ordained to heal the sick,” but not without His spirit being upon me. Not by virtue of any words that I know or thoughts that I think, but by virtue of His spirit being upon me, and then the right words and the right thoughts will come through.

At this stage of your Infinite Way development, unfoldment, or state of consciousness, you are responsible for every picture that presents itself to your sight or hearing. You may not “pass by on the road.” It is given to men, the human world, to ignore the troubles of their fellow travelers, especially if they are of a different land or different religion, or different race or color. It is not so given unto you. The grace which you have received from God was given to you not for you – it was given to you as the fruitage of God which the world is to eat. “Take eat of my body, drink of my blood.” Give up your grapes to the world, you as a wonderful vine on whom all grapes will grow. You as spiritually fed and spiritually clothed and spiritually housed and you know it. Therefore let your grapes go out into the market, into the world.

For Study: THE MYSTICAL I, Chapter 12.

For Meditation: “The vine consumeth not its own grapes.” – Anonymous
JOHN STEPHENSON: THE 2013 WAIIKI CLASS
“Stillness Is An Activity of God” Session 7

This is a Soul-connection; realize that. Individually, we are all in this Presence, at this moment, experiencing the unity, the mystical unity of being. Now, we do this from the center of our being. This is who we are. It is not coming from the body; the body is in this consciousness. It is not coming from the mind; we can’t generate this kind of atmosphere mentally. It has nothing to do with the mind. The body is in this consciousness. It is not coming from the mind; we can’t generate this kind of atmosphere mentally. It has nothing to do with the mind. You all have been very cooperative in letting your mind, your expression, your awareness of mind become this avenue, this vehicle for experiencing the presence of God. What takes place, what happens, is that there is no resistance at this moment. What is resistance but conditions, thoughts, beliefs? They’re gone right now. That old Sanskrit definition of “Satan” is resistance, “I Resist.” Well, there is no resistance right now, therefore there is no evil right now present. There is no human concept present. There is no limitation-presence right now. There is nothing to bind anyone in limitation, in suffering, in lack. “Behold, I make all things new.” Right now, is the complete wholeness of life.

Everything that exists, or has ever existed, or will ever exist, is present in spiritual consciousness. Our awareness of the infinity of Being, of the nature of this stillness as Love, removes all fear. “Fear not, it is I.” That’s what the Christ says, that’s what God says, that’s what you say to yourself, “Fear not . . . .” Consciousness is the substance of all form. Every cell of your body is comprised of consciousness, and in this consciousness, realize that every aspect of your being is spiritual, perfect, whole. All exists in this consciousness. Every molecule is in consciousness. We live in consciousness; but this consciousness is I. As you are aware of this, this awareness becomes part of your beingness, part of your life. I hate to use the word “memory,” because that connotes something that is taking place in time and space, as something physical; but you notice in your acknowledgment of this Presence, in your recognition of it, realizing that this deep silence is the activity of God, in your realization that I exist, totally and completely in this divine Presence, that there is nothing outside this Consciousness. Everything I see when I open my eyes in this world is but the projection of a human concept of this spiritual “beingness.” If you have the sensitivity, if you have the spiritual eyes, you would see through every appearance in this world, and experience the beauty of the spiritual creation, experience the joy and the fulfillment, the abundance.

For Study: THE MASTER SPEAKS, Chapter 16.

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“Never try to make a treatment personal. Never direct it toward any one. Meet the claim in your own consciousness when it is presented to you, but do not identify it with a person. The person will get the benefit of the treatment, even if you do not understand how it is accomplished. The mere fact that you have taken him into your consciousness makes it binding upon him. But, whether you understand that at the moment or not, please believe this: Every claim, every suggestion, must be met in your consciousness at the time of contact. Do not put off the healing even for five minutes.” - Joel, THE MASTER SPEAKS, Chapter 9

“I point the man directly to his own mind and let him see his own true nature and become Buddha by himself.”

- Bodhidharma
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"The Sanctuary of Soul," Session 3 (Rescheduled From September 10th)

Let’s go back now to the example of “the parenthesis,” and see how Joel has dealt with all the limitations that take place between the cradle and the grave, the good humanhood and the bad humanhood, that which is always warring with each other. He tells us that we must recognize this activity as universal hypnotism, no matter what the problem is, whether it’s a form of disease, it’s lack, poverty, or it’s greed, it’s lust, it’s hatred, animosity, rivalry, “parasites,” he even says the word “parasites,” people that hang on others, to see all of these forms of both what we would think good humanhood and bad humanhood, and see that this that is operating is universal hypnotism. The good conditions of humanhood have to be overcome as much as the evil conditions, because as long as there is a selfhood apart from God, even a good selfhood, the good that we would do often isn’t good at all, it can be interfering with other people’s lives. An example of this is mothers who are very solicitous, and cautious, and loving. Sometimes there is a temptation not to free the children and let them make their mistakes and live their lives. So this form of good humanhood can have very crippling effects on children. So we learn not to tend “God’s regulator,” and that’s a very important lesson. It’s the height of ego for us to inject ourselves, and tell somebody else what to do, when God is their intelligence. So we have to back off; and this is a hard lesson for mothers, more so than fathers, I think, for them to “Be still, and know that I am God;” and that I is the universal divine Selfhood of every individual, and that no mistake is ever fatal. It’s the way that some people have to learn. Others learn through seeking the truth, and others have to do it through experience, and they have to make the mistakes. So we cannot “tend the regulator.”

... You can’t sit in “the parenthesis,” if a call comes to you, and you’re thinking, maybe at that moment, you have an ache or a pain; and you say, “Well, how can I help them? I’m not feeling too good, myself!” You can’t do that! You have to say, “O.K., then let’s rise up out of the tomb!” And rise up out of that tomb, and then you will find that not only they’re healed, but you’re healed too; because if you get up out of that “tomb” of personal sense, out of the parenthesis, into the Circle of Eternity, then you’re in the presence of God’s grace, you are functioning in truth and love, because this Consciousness is the activity of truth and love. That’s what Christ-consciousness is, it’s the activity of truth and love. It’s not your activity of truth or love, it is the activity of this infinite One; and that truth feeds you as it goes out and feeds us. So it is important to let people ask you [for spiritual help] and not turn them away.

... This infinite Consciousness has no problems. It doesn’t know any problems. So when you allow it to live as you, and you keep the human mind focused on the now-moment, living in the now and not returning to the past, or projecting into the future, you’re truly alive. Not only are you alive, but you’re whole, because spirit, soul, mind, body, are all in alignment. You’re in perfect alignment, so there is no reason for you to take thought for your life. In Joel’s early writings, I think that quote from the Bible is quoted in every book: “I say unto you, take no thought for your life, what you shall eat, or what you shall wear, or what you shall do, but seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all the things shall be added.” So it is really a discipline of Soul to live without taking thought; and life, really, is more interesting, because you’re spontaneous, you’re not outlining or planning. Consciousness cannot be outlined or planned; you cannot plan or outline. If you are focused on living in the now-moment, taking no thought, but doing the task at hand, always with that inner ear opened and attuned to that “other kingdom,” to “My kingdom,” you’re fed, you’re guided, you’re moved, and the unconditioned mind works, not the mind that is plotting and planning.

For Meditation: “Think of this as a space suit that you needed to be on this planet, and so when you pray, you take off the space suit. When you take off the space suit, there is nothing material there, there is only spiritual being, and you then are one with the Infinite. See this just as a space suit. It isn’t you. It has no intelligence in it, no life in it. It is animated by Spirit; it’s maintained by Spirit. Spirit is the life of it, the intelligence of it. So when you pray, let there be no limitations, let there by no finite concept in your mind. Enter into the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all the things will be added.” – Virginia

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JOEL S. GOLDSMITH: THE 1963 KAILUA PRIVATE CLASS

“The New Teaching,” Tape 5, Side 1 (#520A)

The human mind, then, is actually a state of belief in two powers, and only as your spiritual teacher can, thorough these precepts and examples, educate the student out of this belief in two powers, does the human mind of the student relax and release itself and become receptive to the things of God, which, when they reveal themselves, usually say, “Fear not, I am with you.” In the same way, then, the action of the human mind is to sit in judgment, and you cannot attain Christ-consciousness until the human mind has relinquished that. Judge not, judge righteous judgment. Therefore, as long as the human mind retains the desire, the will, the wish to judge, it is the human mind, it is not receptive to the things of God. Only when the human mind can relinquish judgment and say, “Father, reveal this. Father, reveal the nature of this,” then, you see, the human mind is not sitting in judgment. It is not calling this good and this evil, it is not calling this moral and this immoral, it is not calling this honest and this dishonest, it is not calling this free and this slave. It is relinquishing, eventually must completely relinquish, judgment. “Who made me a judge over you?” “Neither do I condemn thee, neither do I judge thee, neither do I hold thee in bondage to my sense of right or wrong.”

Ah, you would be surprised what happens as even a measure of this takes place in consciousness, when that much of the human mind begins to disappear from you that you are constantly looking out and enjoying the IS and not judging by appearances. Whatever it is that I am looking at, whoever it is that I am looking at, I am not saying good, I am not saying evil, I am saying IS. What it is, or what thou art, I may not know, but I do know that it IS, I do know that thou art, and then I will let the Father, spiritual discernment, reveal to me who thou art, and in this end it will say, “Knowest thou not, this is My beloved son?” But it will not only say that of Jesus the Christ, it will say that of the true identity of every individual, and of a partially attained son of God in every seeker who is really seeking and knowing what they are seeking.

… Now, there has been a change in language in these last few weeks in the message of The Infinite Way, in that I have more clearly perceived, myself, that we were too prone to merely say, “There is no evil, there is no sin, there is no death, there is no lack, there is not power in evil,” when as a matter of fact this was only a half truth. As long as we are in the three-dimensional mind the human mind, there is lots of good and lots of evil, just as there is light in the daytime and darkness at night. It is only in the presence of illumined consciousness that evil is not evil. You cannot rightly say that disease has no power, but you can say that in the presence of the Christ-consciousness disease has no power. You cannot say that sin or false appetite has no power, when the whole world is suffering from them, but you can say that in the presence of illumined consciousness, evil does not exist.

For Study: THE MYSTICAL I, Chapter 12.
For Meditation: “Only ‘in God’ does one attain the realization of perfection, wholeness, completeness, or oneness.”

– Joel, Wisdom #96

“There are only two diseases: one is riding an ass to search for the ass. The other is riding the ass and being unwilling to dismount . . . . I say to you: do not ride the ass at all. You yourself are the ass. Mountains, rivers, and plains are all the ass. Why do you ride on it? If you ride, you cannot cure your disease. If you do not ride, the universe in all directions becomes one wide expanse. With these two diseases expelled, nothing remains to affect your mind. You need do nothing more.” - Ch’ing-yuan
Oneness is our relationship to God. We are the form or the temple, but God is the essence of our being. God is the substance of our life, of our mind, of our soul, of our spirit, and even our body is the temple of God. Now, once you perceive this pure nature of God in whom there is no evil, no propensity for evil, you now have man pure and upright in whom there is no propensity for evil; no capacity for evil; no source of evil, for you have God and man as one. Thou seest me, thou seest the Father that sent me, for I and the Father are one. The Father is greater than I, because the Father is the substance and essence and I am the form. Because glass is greater than the tumbler, you can change the form of the glass—change it from a tumbler to swordfish, or a pepper shaker. But the glass remains the quality, the essence, the character, the nature of whatever form it is formed into. And so God becomes the nature, the essence, the activity and the law unto every form, including man, woman, child.

Well, the nature of man, then, is the nature of God expressed individually. And, therefore, if man is to cease being good and evil and to be wholly good, he must be the image and likeness, the showing forth of God. Ah, but then in order to be holy, God must be holy. In order for man to love his enemies, God must have no other feeling than love. For man to be forgiving, God must have no condemnation, no judgment, no punishment. You see, then, that the beginning of freedom for you and me—it is when we begin to have a God wholly good. A God from whom can go forth nothing but spirit, eternality, immortality, justice. Then, to be able to face every phase of discord, whatever form it may appear in, with the statement, “Be not afraid it is I,” would be immediately to take from evil its sting because it isn’t evil; it is I. And in I there is no evil. But if there is no evil in I, there is no evil at all, for I am the source. God is the source of all creation. And on it . . . God looked on this world, on what he had made and behold, He found it very good. In other words, the goodness that was in God was in the goodness of His creation. But before you can wipe sin, disease, death, accident, poverty off this earth . . . injustice, you must first remove it from God as a propensity or capacity. Then you will have this universe showing forth God’s glory. And God’s glory will be wholly perfect.

For Meditation: Habakuk 3:18-20


THE SCHOLAR: “Whither goes the soul when the body dies?”
THE MASTER: “There is no necessity for it to go anywhere.” – Jakob Böhme

“God does not give us purity; God is our soul and the soul of God being pure, our soul is pure. God doesn’t give us wisdom—God is wisdom, but being infinite, God is our wisdom. There is no giving and there is no withholding. There is only “ising.” If there were a God life and your life, ah, God-life may be immortal and yours might be mortal. But if God is infinite, God is infinite life, and that means your life and my life.”

– Joel, From JOEL S. GOLDSMITH: THE 1961 MAUI WORK

“Two Steps To Spiritual Freedom (Habakuk 3:18-20),” Tape 1, Side 1 (#389A)
QUESTION: “What is meant by the term ‘consciousness’? Is it the same thing as spiritual discernment or receptivity? What is meant by the phrase ‘we are consciousness unfolding’? How does consciousness relate to the nature of error?”

ANSWER: “Consciousness is awareness, awareness of being, conscious awareness of being, and the words don’t matter, really. We use the term ‘Consciousness,’ and they used to use the term ‘Mind,’ with a capital ‘M.’ Mind is awareness, too, it’s an instrument of awareness, and humanly, the human sense of mind is the belief in good and evil. Consciousness, relating to error, is that our state of consciousness is what appears out here as our experience; and ‘a man’s enemies are those of his own household,’ which means his own consciousness. If he is not aware of spiritual being, it’s in his consciousness that he has to become aware of spiritual being. There isn’t any good or evil outside of us. It’s all your state of consciousness that determines your experience; it’s all how you see. Jesus calls it, he usually says, ‘in your heart,’ or ‘in your inner most being;’ and that’s what it means. It is what you believe is real, it’s what you accept as truth or reality. If you’re accepting two powers, then that is what you experience; but consciousness is actually God, consciousness is God, and our individual consciousness, God individualized, that’s our individual being; and according to the state of our awareness, it’s what we’re here for, unfolding. We’re consciousness, but we’re becoming aware of what we are, of the truth of our being. In the degree that we aren’t aware, we are ‘man of earth,’ believing in good and evil. As we become aware of our true identity of being the Child of God, then in that degree we are living out from grace, which is God-consciousness, God as consciousness, living Its life as us. There isn’t any error in our consciousness. Consciousness is God; and any belief – you see, that’s one of the reasons for not using ‘mind,’ for using the term ‘consciousness’ instead of ‘mind,’ I suppose, because the mind believes in twoness, two powers. It has good and evil, and the state of our consciousness is the degree that we’re aware we are spiritual being and nothing else. Yet, if we are not aware of it, we are living out from this belief in two powers.”

Even if you know that you’re doing things that you call “not good,” and you can’t seem to stop doing them, the reason is that you are accepting the belief in two powers! And if you call something evil, then it is evil to you. It isn’t necessarily evil. There isn’t any good and evil in anything visible. Peter was told to, “Call nothing filthy that God hath made. … Eat the pig meat. ….” There is nothing that is “filthy.” Nothing is evil. There is no evil. God didn’t make any evil; and therefore, if you’re seeing any, if you are calling anything evil, that’s your own state of consciousness, it’s your state of believing in good and evil. If you think it’s evil, then it is evil to you; but you’re seeing it out of that acceptance of a belief that there is good and evil There isn’t any evil, and when you, “Call nothing evil that God hath made …,” “ which means you, you are recognizing your spiritual identity. You can’t call yourself evil and be in spiritual consciousness. There isn’t anything evil in spiritual consciousness. If you’re calling yourself evil, or “not good” in any degree, then you are seeing yourself as a human being. You have to turn away from that and begin to acknowledge your spiritual identity. You acknowledge it. You start out by acknowledging that God created man in His own image and likeness. It’s perfection. Perfection cannot be changed because it is real; it’s God-created, and it is maintained by spiritual law. So no real condition can ever be changed, and therefore, none ever has been, and there isn’t any evil. It’s just our material sense of things, of seeing, believing in good and evil; and there isn’t any, and nothing has ever changed. That’s why there is nothing to be “healed,” because nobody has ever become sick. God didn’t create any sick people, and therefore, they aren’t; but we have this belief that we are, that we’re sick, or that we are lacking, or that we are not good, or that we’re all kind of things; and you have to turn that around and start accepting your spiritual identity.

FOR MEDITATION: “So we don’t judge people as whether they are “receptive” or “not receptive” [to the truth] or judge as to their state of consciousness, or how far they’ve gone. How would we know? You can’t judge by appearances. You just have to know your thing and deal with your own consciousness, that there isn’t anybody but God.”

– Luella.

FOR STUDY: LIVING BY THE WORD, Chapter 9
THE OCTOBER 1975 LETTER LESSON

EDUCATING THE HUMAN MIND OUT OF ITSELF

"A spirirtual teaching can never be known or taught through or by the human mind."
'The human mind is the belief in two powers," the belief in the existence of good and evil. To believe that both good and evil exist is to believe that both are real. The student must be educated out of the belief in two powers. Spiritual discernment can be developed in the student only by an individual who has attained some measure of the Christ-mind. "The spiritual teacher must have attained a state of nonreaction to appearances.

"When a spiritual teacher has arrived at that consciousness, then the teacher's work is to bring the student to that same state of spiritual consciousness."

"Eventually the realization must come that nothing is good or evil except for a person's attitude toward it."

"Who made me a judge or a divider over you?"

When you no longer believe in two powers, you no longer judge. When the mind no longer judges, no longer condemns, no longer is in bondage to right and wrong, better and worse, no longer desires good over evil, then it is no longer the human mind, it is the Christ-mind, the mind of individual being. The human being with his human mind is the illusion, the dream. The goal of the spiritual path is to awaken out of this dream and realize IS.

* HUMANHOOD *

* THE BELIEF IN TWO POWERS *

Humanhood is what you see when you look at spiritual men through the belief in two powers. Humanhood is not "somebody else"- it is a false belief that you have accepted as true. To see aright, take off these two-power "glasses" and judge not by appearances.

God constitutes individual being. Your experience of individual being takes place in your own consciousness. When you know God as I, you no longer judge by appearances, and you no longer see human beings. "Spiritual discernment will say,...'This is my beloved son.'"

Individual being is the reality. Humanhood is the illusion.

Humanhood is the concept we have formed of individual being. It is a false picture based on the belief in a selfhood apart from God.