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Chapter Highlights

...Mesmeric world suggestion makes man think he has a life of his own and it can be lost. Humanly, this is true. Spiritually, under the Christ, it is not.

... In the London blitz during World War II, one couple agreed that because they had accepted God as their life, their safety, and their security, they would not build a bombproof shelter as had all their neighbors. Each evening when the blitz began and their neighbors went to their shelters, they volunteered for fire watch and walked up and down the streets. Not only were they not touched, but neither was their home...

“The Lord is my rock, and my fortress.”

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... the human race has cut itself off from that fortress of God by seeking safety and security in pieces of matter.

... The disciple of the Christ moves about in the world and works at the same daily tasks as others do, whether it be in business, in a household, or in the arts or professions; but he is not subject to its beliefs, its fears, or its powers.

... when the Master said his disciples were to be left in the world but would not be subject to its powers, he gave the pattern for us to follow.

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... As the light of the world, those who have attained the mystical consciousness are revealing to this world that there is no need to fear the powers of this world.

...I can tell you how to gauge your spiritual progress... As long as you are willing to destroy another life to save yours, you do not understand the message of Jesus Christ, which says, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

... In World War I, I volunteered with the United States Marines; and although at that time I was a young student of metaphysics, I had learned it is possible to protect myself from the powers of this world by hiding myself in the Christ, where no evil power can come near me. I prayed that way for weeks, until one day I was struck by how horrible God must be if, by reciting abracadabra, I could be protected while all the persons who did not know about it would go out and get killed....I decided not to pray again until I had learned how to pray correctly...

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... Days went by, and I refused to engage in any such protective prayer until one day, by an apparent accident, I knocked my Bible to the floor. It fell open to this passage: "Neither pray I for these alone." The weight fell off my heart and shoulders, and I said, "Thank You, Father. Never again will I pray for me or for mine alone..." A miracle took place as far as I was concerned. I was transferred from one place to another, from one duty to another; and never once during the war was I sent anywhere near where I could shoot anybody or be shot at.

... The principle is that there is but one Self, and that is the God-Self.

... Anything I do that is a blessing to me must be a blessing to you; and anything that is a blessing to you must be a blessing to me, for we are one.

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... To the world, there is only one way of doing and that is by deeds. The world does its good and it does its evil by deeds, but that is not true of you or me. Even if we refrained from evil deeds, it would not be enough. Even if we did good deeds, it would not be enough. Paul said if we did all the good on earth but had not love, it would be nothing.

... We must go one step further and bear no false witness against our neighbor. Silently and secretly, we must realize that God is the life of every individual, whether or not he or she knows it and lives by it.

... Our life on the spiritual path is in part an inspirational experience, always followed by a practical living demonstration of God's harmony.

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... Suppose we have awakened this morning knowing that ahead of us lies a strenuous day, a day in which many demands will be made upon us, demands probably of an extraordinary nature, some of which we will not be able to fill....in accord with our living in the Word and letting the Word live in us, we turn within our consciousness for some unfoldment, some revelation, some Word that is to come from the kingdom of God within our own being.

...If we are patient and sincerely realize that there is a kingdom of God within us and that the Word can impart Itself to us from within, eventually it will come, at first not

so easily, but with practice, readily. Then we may feel or hear within ourselves: "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me."

...Immediately, a sense of release comes to us; the responsibility falls away because now we have been given the assurance that the burden is not on our shoulders exclusively.

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...Now we have the very word of God abiding in our consciousness, and no longer do we face the day alone, but with God.... As we keep our consciousness filled with the word of God, we attract the harmony, peace, prosperity, health, and grace that flow from God.

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... God is Spirit; and if God is the creative principle of the universe, then this universe is a spiritual creation, not a physical or a corporeal one....We are dreaming when we pray to a spiritual God to change some kind of matter or some physical structure. God is not in that picture.

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... Students of The Infinite Way do not deal with the body from a structural standpoint. This is a spiritual universe, and God alone is power.

... There is no permanent peace in fighting the evils of the world with the weapons of the world.

...Neither the mental weapons nor the physical weapons of this world are power. If they are or if there is not somebody to demonstrate that they are not, this world is lost.

...But whose responsibility is this?

... these evils cannot be stopped except by the realization of the nothingness or the nonpower of what is claimed to be great power. We cannot expect to do this unless we are willing to set aside enough time each day to sit down and look at some form of error—some form of sin or disease—look right at it and know: *You are not power: you are the carnal mind, or nothingness; you are the “arm of flesh,” or nothingness.*

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... Unless we are specific in our knowing of the truth, specific in our realization that we are being confronted with suggestions of mental and physical powers that are not powers, they will continue to be powers until we have the realization of their nonpower.

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... For the sake of Infinite Way work all around the world and most of all for the sake of the world itself in its present state, it is important that every Infinite Way student sit and begin to do some healing work to prove that sin, disease, and death are not the law or the reality of life.

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... Anything else that may be necessary for us to know will be given from within ourselves. Once we have attained or achieved the ability to be still and quiet, we will only have to start the flow with some of these truths that we know. But the real power, the real treatment, will come from within us to ourselves.

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... The greatest healing works, the greatest works of restoration and reformation, and the greatest works of spiritual power are accomplished when there is neither word nor thought, when there is a complete stillness.... Spiritual illumination and spiritual power come through a complete

silencing of human thought, human will, and human desire. In that complete absence of self, when there is only an inner peace, an expectance, there comes that little jump, that little deep breath, that little gasp, that little release. That is when we know the Spirit is on the field and the work is being accomplished.

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...God reaches us in the silence.

... When we enter meditation, we have only one obligation, and that is to forget anybody and everybody in this world, to turn within and realize the kingdom of God is within us.

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... Since the beginning of history, good and evil have been at war. For us, the battle between good and evil is stopped only as we understand the nature of spiritual power and retire into this quiet peaceful center of our own being and are at peace until the Spirit of God is upon us. In that silence, the Holy Ghost descends, and healing of all kinds can take place: reformation, healing of the body, or healing of war.

... The Holy Ghost cannot descend upon us while we are a mind divided against itself. The Holy Ghost can descend only where the mind that was in Christ Jesus is present, the mind that never condemns or judges.

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... Infinite Way groups could unite and decide that every day of the week they would spare one minute for the cause of peace, one minute to close their eyes, smile, and thank God that material power is atheism but that a reliance on the Spirit of God, the presence of God, the power of God, the word of God, this is truly power.

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... Everything that represents material form or material power—bombs, germs, or infections—is inactive, a nothingness. It takes an individual to move it.... The word of God removes fear because it brings to light the truth that in the presence of that Word there is no power. Nothing is power and nobody is power in the presence of the realized word of God.

... This whole world would be safe and secure, this whole world would be at peace if people kept the word of God alive in their consciousness. Not by reading it, not by hearing it will we be saved. By maintaining the word of God, the promise of God in our consciousness will harmony, peace, and health be brought forth into expression in our experience.

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**Search: “a life of his own”**

**From The 1957 Second Halekou Closed Class**

... as humans, we have become separated from God. It is not that an actual separation has taken place, but a sense of separation—in other words, “I and my Father are one” is a true relationship of everybody on the face of the globe. But in the experience that in one place is called the fall of man, the departure from Eden, and in another place is called that of the Prodigal Son, leaving the father’s house, we have the idea symbolically presented of this sense of separation, so that in all of these centuries of which we have any recorded history, mankind as a whole has lived a life of his own, separate from

God even when he was believing himself to be worshiping God and praying to God.

198A 1957 Halekou Closed Class  
“Spiritual Illumination”

## **Search: “as the light of the world”**

### **From The 1957 First Halekou Closed Class**

... it is to be noted that wherever you walk, you walk as an example. Wherever you live, you live as the light of the world. Wherever you have your being, you are a healing influence: the sick are healed, the dead are raised, the blind have their eyes opened, the deaf have their ears unstopped. But to you I say that more than ever now, you are they who, in your community, must be the influence, the “I that is lifted up,” that lifts all those others unto you. It is you, who in the case of war, volcano, tidal wave, infection, contagion, it is you, who must be lifted up above such things, able to retire within your own being and say to the storm, “Peace be still,” and then watch the storm subside.

191A 1957 Halekou Closed Class  
“A Meditation: Ye are the Light”

## **Search: “for we are one”**

### **From *The World is New***

... God is here where I am. We are not two separate beings in two separate places, one trying to contact the other; but right here where I stand, God is. God is the great *I*, the great I AM. Therefore, God is all there is of my being. God is the mind of me, the Soul of me, and the life of me. God is the Spirit of me, the law and principle of me; and wherever God is, *I* am, for we are one and not two. In that realization, there is nothing to be feared. If this is true, why do we have

discords? Why do we have sins and fears? Why do we have wars, unemployment and catastrophes? The answer is that these problems are caused by the belief that human beings are separate and apart from God. They do not consciously realize their oneness with God, and they have not learned to apply and utilize the truth of being in their experience.

*The World is New*

## Chapter 13 – “Solving Individual Problems”

### **Search: “there is no power”**

#### **From *The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three***

... Make it a daily practice to go to the altar with a consciousness free of enmity, free of beliefs of evil powers, evil presences... In proportion as this truth is active in your consciousness you are truly master of your fate and captain of your Soul. There is no power and no law capable of opposing the value of 2 X 2; there is no power and no law capable of setting aside the harmony of do, re, mi. These quantities and qualities are intact and unchangeable, without opposition, governed by immutable laws which are maintained and sustained unto eternity. This is true of every man, woman, and child on earth. There is no power to destroy the perfection and harmony of our being...

*The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three*

#### Chapter 8 – “Contemplative Meditation”

#### **From *Collected Essays of Joel Goldsmith***

... Now let us give a moment to the nature or function of this power we call the Christ. The Christ is the invisible activity, substance and law of all that appears as effect. It is for this reason you must not be hypnotized by appearances. By this I mean, if you are humanly healthy or wealthy, do not believe you have found immortality or security. If you have a bomb

shelter or mountain cave, do not believe you have secured safety. Do not place your faith or dependence on any thing, any effect, any person in the outer realm. On the other hand, do not fear sin, disease, or lack. There is no power in them.

*Collected Essays of Joel Goldsmith*  
“The Fourth Dimension of Life”

## **Search: “when we enter meditation”**

### **From *Living Between Two Worlds***

... When we enter meditation and close our eyes to “this world,” let us remember that we are now in the corridor, or at least we are behind the door that opens to Infinity. Through our consciousness, we have access to the infinity of God, the activity of God, the substance and the law of God. All this is within us. Let us enter into meditation and go to the Spirit for the purpose of enlightenment, with a complete freedom from concepts, and then receive the truth that in the presence of God there is fulfillment and freedom, freedom from any sense of limitation.

*Living Between Two Worlds*  
Chapter 1 – “Opening the Door to Infinity”

## **Search: “in that silence”**

### **From The 1952 New Washington Series**

... And we’re here in this temple because of its peace and quiet, because it is filled with people like ourselves awaiting the advent of the Holy Ghost, the realization of the Christ within our being. Don’t you know that in that silence you had here before I came in, anything could have happened, and I’m sure many things did happen? You were all together in one place of one mind, and what were you seeking in that silence? Not things, not persons, not prosperity—just a realization, a touch of the Christ. Well, how could it miss? Keep that up

here day in and day out, week in, week out. Assemble here on your Sundays or on your Thursdays or on your Tuesdays or on your Wednesdays. Come together in love. Come together in adoration of the one Spirit permeating all mankind.

0008B-2 1952 New Washington Series  
“The Deep Things of Spirit”

### **From The 1953 Second Hawaiian Series**

... Now, I bring this to your attention for this reason: that in the way of The Infinite Way, we are coming to an atmosphere of prayer in which words mean less and less; thoughts mean less than nothing; where prayer becomes an atmosphere based on our realization that God is, and then in that silence, realizing God. Not being concerned what God is or why or when, merely that God is or that God is one. And then, within our own being, in silence, in peace, letting that union take place, letting that flow take place, letting that awareness come to us that almost is a tap and saying, “Son, thou art ever with me,” or “I will never leave thee,” some assurance that God gives—not that our quotations give, not that our statements give, not that our prayers give—a confidence that God gives that God is on the field.

0024B 1953 Second Hawaiian Series  
“On Prayer”

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