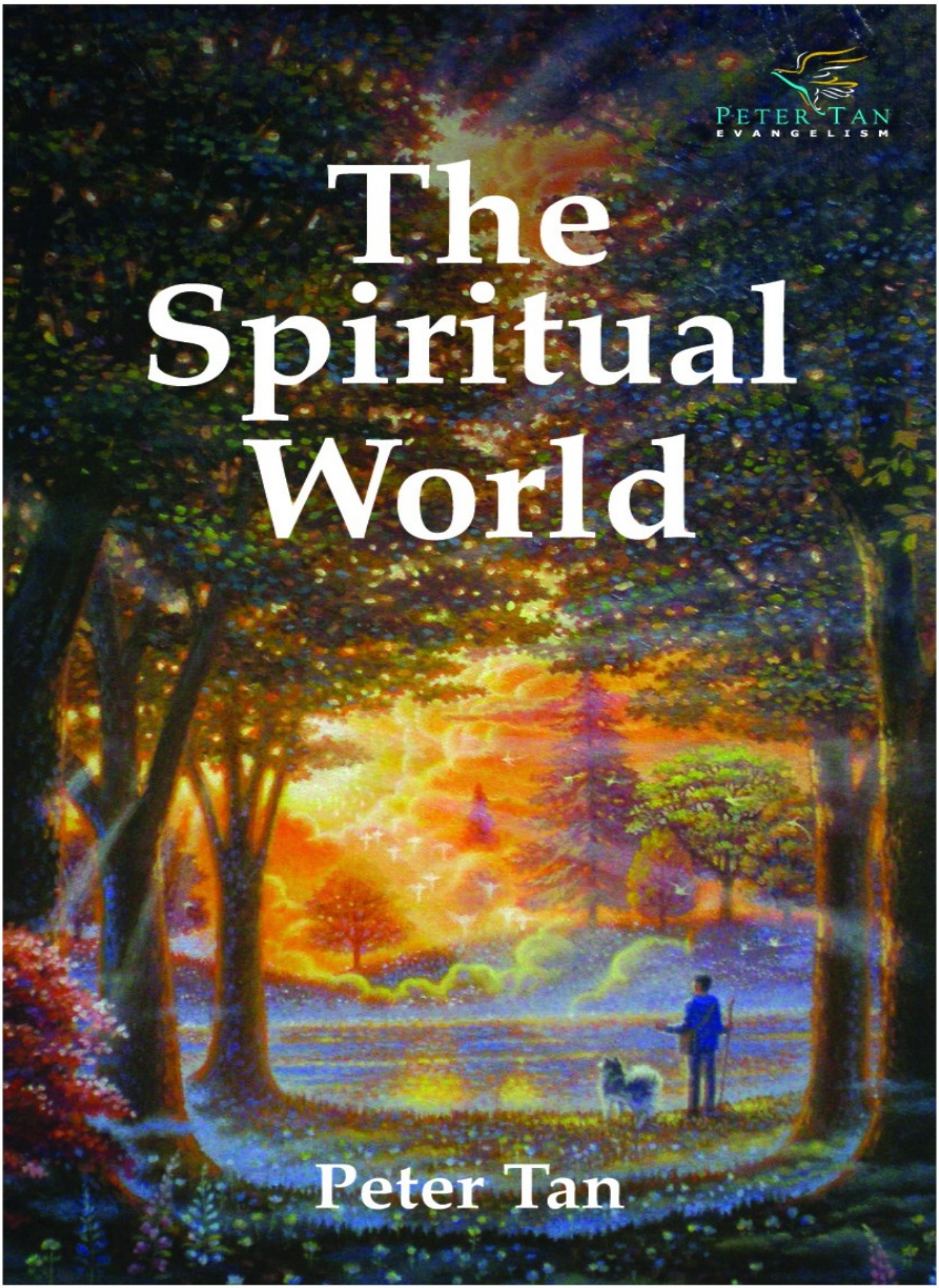
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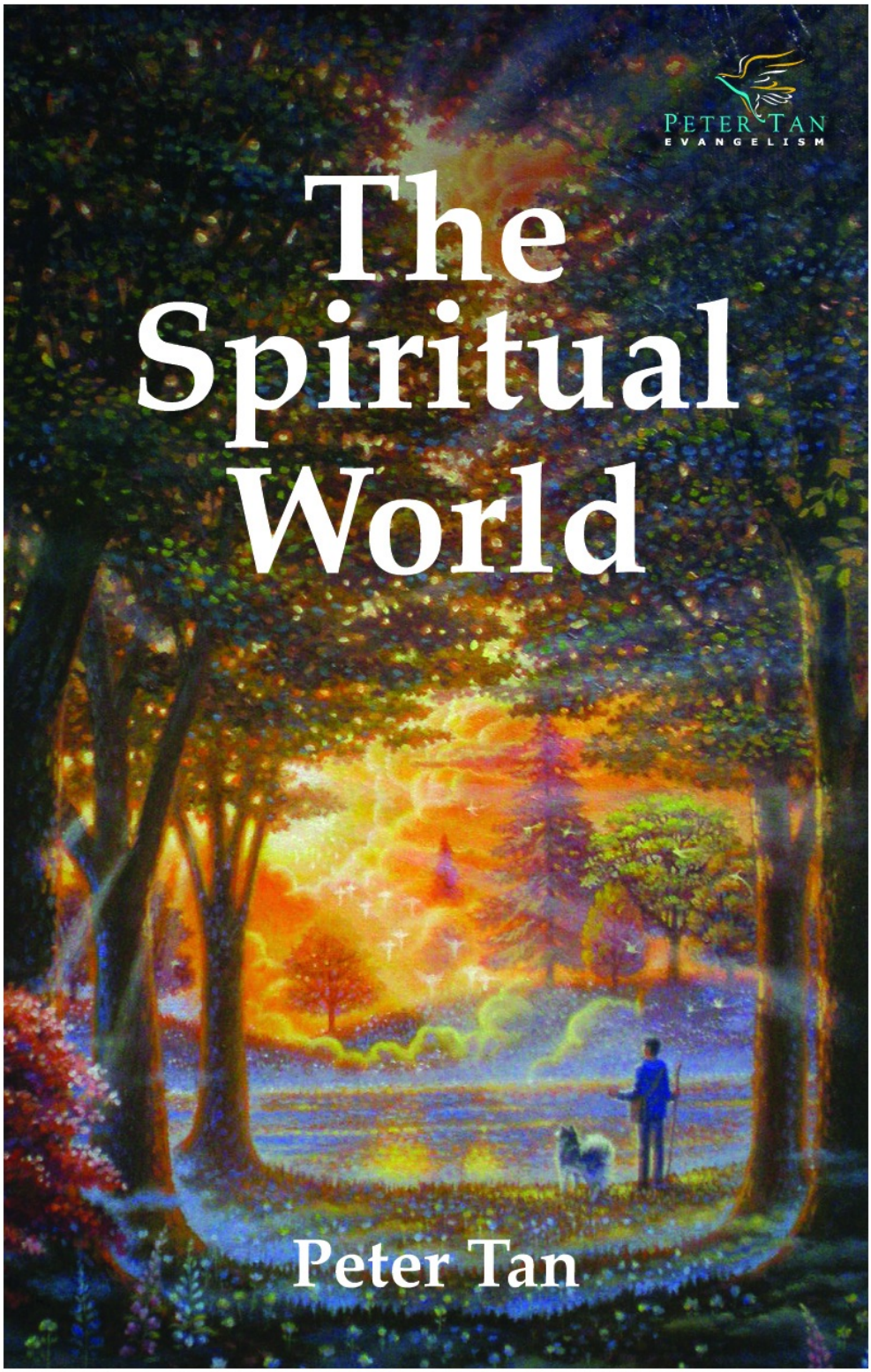
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Introduction

It is not possible to describe the glory and various areas of the Spiritual World in human language without bringing by the use of earth language a percentage of inaccuracy. Neither can anyone who has an encounter or visions of the Spiritual World claim to have visited every aspect of that glorious world. The Spiritual World consists of more varying aspects than all the nations, cultures, civilizations of earth of every known and unknown age and time put together. All these would be less than one atom of a drop of water in an ocean the size of the entire known universe.

There are multiples of creations of God in various dimensions and universes that would take eternities to explore. For this reason many of those who have true spiritual experiences of the Spiritual World, whether for a brief time or through extended encounters, bring only a small microscopic view of the spiritual realm and life after death. It is thus an error for anyone with those experiences to think that their encounter is "all" of what the spiritual world is like and start building doctrines or dogma as to what the true Spiritual World is like.

Having clarified the above points, I have tried to summarize in this book, the aspects of the Spiritual World which were experienced primarily through various spiritual experiences in March 2006, which began during the 40 day partial fast in February 2006 (which I have done annually for thirty years - the fast of February 2006 happened to be my thirtieth annual forty day fast) and continued almost on a daily basis even after the conclusion of the fast. Having done that many fasts before, I was settling into the joy of seeking God not really expecting anything dramatic to take place but just wanting to minister to the Lord and, as always in the annual forty day fast, rededicating my life to the service of God.

The purpose for the writing of this book is to prepare others for the Spiritual World in which every one of us will one day be living when we depart from this earth. The possibilities for spiritual progress while we are still in our earthly body are far greater (by millions of percentage points) than when we physically die and enter the Spiritual World. For those who are walking with God the possibilities for progress in the next world are also as great, if not greater in the sense that it can lead to growth into the fullest dimension of God's Being unhindered by the physical body.

This book is also written for those who have partial encounters in the Spiritual World, lest they develop the wrong dogma as to what the Spiritual World is like from their brief encounter. Please note that it is not possible to put down everything that has been experienced into this one book. It is important to also note that this is only my personal and subjective perspective gained through experiences in the Spiritual World. After the experiences in the Spirit World, I did research on some of those areas shown to me (both spiritual and scientific) and I have mentioned some of the authors whose books I have read (especially scientific ones).

I have also re-examined the Bible in the light of those experiences and critiqued my own experiences from the Scriptures. I have been asked by some as to who else has seen the Spiritual World similar to what I saw I am sure that there are many others but one that I know of, who has a book written of his experiences, is Sadhu Sundar Singh in his book on The Spiritual World. It is important to establish all revelation through the written Word of God but it is comforting to know that one is not alone in these revelations of the Spiritual World.

Please also note that just reading through this book once intellectually does not mean that you might have got the full sense and understanding of what I am attempting to convey. One of the laws of the Spirit is that one can only receive at the level of where one is spiritually; thus, there are some things that you might have missed getting the spiritual understanding of until you re-read this book after receiving some spiritual experiences.

In some places, I have struggled for hours to compose a single descriptive sentence of the Spiritual World in human language, while in others whole paragraphs would just flow. I urge the reader to please read this book carefully and prayerfully. My prayers are that those who read this book would be enabled to progress further in their spiritual development both in this physical world and in the Spiritual World.

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1 Encountering The Spiritual World

Age and characteristics

The spiritual body is of a youthful appearance. There is no old age. Children and infants entering the spirit world grow to adult maturity but in a far shorter time then they would in earth time. Spiritual maturity can be discerned in the countenance and light of a spiritual body. The spiritual body can also expand or contract but not in the same sense as it does in the physical world. The maximum size however is limited by the level of advancement in the spiritual spheres.

One is not necessarily the same height as one was in the physical world. Most of the time through spiritual growth (not always true of all aspects of growth - there are myriads of different areas of spiritual growth in the spiritual realm; each producing different radiance with some aspects producing expansion size of the spiritual body capability), one's being is greater in size (height and proportional wise) but one can still take the form of those of the lower spheres at a height or image that is recognisable and visible to those of the lower spheres. There is a translucence of the spiritual body but it is a solidness and lightness of spiritual substance. Light emanates from the spiritual body.

Clothing

All of the spirits in the spiritual realm have garments and clothes covering them but those of the lower and darker spheres appear to be in their naked spiritual body, and those lower still than these dark realms have naked spiritual bodies which are so altered that they appear ugly and do not even look human. The spirits in the highest realms have the brightest garments. The aura or light of these garments emanates from the mind of each spirit being. The aura or light that is emanated forms the spiritual garment for the spirit body.

At physical death, spirits are still dominated by the earthly influences of the mind and thus produce the particular earthly fashions of the spiritual garments that clothe their spirit bodies but as the spirit matures and learns control of their mind and the spiritual forces at their disposal, they gain more control of their spiritual garments. The intensity or radiant brightness of their garments is still governed by their growth into higher spheres. In the spiritual world, there are

more colours than we can see in the physical realm - not just seven colours of the rainbow and their intermediate states but thousands of ranges of colours. The character, strengths, weaknesses and development of the spirit being are reflected in the colour and brightness of their garments. In the spirit world, every one manifests in full and clear view to all their spiritual qualities and exact development level of their spiritual life in their spiritual body and in their spiritual clothing.

Even on the earth, humans whose spirits are pure have a radiant light that shines around them like a garment. This is invisible to the physical earth but is visible to the spiritual world. Those whose hearts are evil have a dark mist that surrounds them. The greater the purity of heart and life, the brighter the light: the greater the evil in the heart, the greater the darkness that surrounds a human. Clothing that is made in the spiritual sphere, has textures and hues taken from the quality of the spiritual state of the wearer. Each particular sphere has its own unique tint of colour according to the occupation, interests, bend of mind, gifting or wisdom and knowledge of its inhabitants.

Language

Communication is via thoughts and spirit impressions. In the spirit realm, one can understand perfectly all the spoken languages of the earth.
This understanding is not directly through knowledge of the language itself but rather the meaning and thoughts of the speaker are communicated directly and telepathically. God does not speak in human language even though we seem to hear God in the language that we are conversant with in earthly life. There is no language good enough or great enough for God to express Himself through. All human language created by humans is insufficient for the Creator of all life.

When we hear God speak in a human language, it is because our spirits understand it in a manner beyond language and then conveys it to our soul in a language that we have acquired during our earthly life. Spirit to spirit communication is beyond language. It is like deep calling unto deep (1 Corinthians 2:10, 11; Romans 8:26, 27). It is like an impartation of experience and knowledge or like the transfer of data from one computer to another except that this computer illustration lacks the transfer of the full experience and senses involved with the subject matter. One instantly "knows" (the word 'know' is limiting here because it also involves the process of actually experiencing the knowledge) what is communicated. The further one progresses spiritually one

does not need even any earthly language thoughts to communicate; then would pass away the last shreds of the limiting earthly habit of human language.

There is a sense of knowing that is beyond the physical world. When you pick up a flower in heaven and desire to look at it to analyse it, you actually "seem to become the flower" and know everything about the flower because you have "experienced being a flower". When you meet another person, and desire to know about the person, you "seem to become the person" and be able to know everything about that person. There is a limitation with sentient spirit beings with free will. This special and supernatural "knowing" is only possible with the free will consent of one another.

The apostle Paul is speaking about this realm when he said that we shall know as we are known (1 Corinthians 13:12). This sense of being able to "become what you want to know" (without actually becoming the object) is an instantaneous knowledge infusion which includes not only objective knowledge but all subjective and perspective knowledge. Thus everyone understands everyone else perfectly. Spoken language is still used more for the beauty and music in the differences of communication and for special areas of purposeful creations through the working of the Holy Spirit.

Light

In the Spiritual World, the only light that lights up the entire universe is the light of Christ that shines from His throne. This light does not cast any shadows but rather flows right through all living creatures in the spiritual realm. Even the light of the brightest angels is the refraction of the light of Christ. Those who are on the earth spheres do not see the light of Christ all the time because in the spiritual world you need the same equivalent spiritual level to see in that same level of spiritual light. From time to time, the light of Christ would shine according to the needs of individuals in the earth sphere but the visibility of that glorious light has to be diminished according to the level of the individual. However, the presence of Christ is always there without the individual spirit, who is not developed to the higher glory, realising it. This light is also the very means by which all life in every sphere is sustained and nourished.

The light of the spiritual world is different from the physical sunlight that the material earth has. It is interpenetrating and shines through the physical

realm. Thus when we look at a human being from the spiritual realm, we do not really see the physical body, it appears like a mist or envelope - although this also depends on the spiritual development of the spirit; those who are still earth-bound see the material realm as a solid. The well developed spirits of the higher spirit realm see right into the spirit and soul of humans.

Sight

The spiritual world has its own substance and just as the spiritual world is invisible to us, our material world is more or less like a mist to those in the spiritual realm--with the exception of spirits in the lowest earth spheres whose basic character and mind is still very much earth based. When the spirit world looks at this material earth, it primarily sees only the spiritual aspects of the earth (the spirits of humans and the spirit life that sustains the material world). The material world is almost invisible to the spirit realm especially to those of the highest sphere. The material world is only temporary and its "temporariness" is visible (like a mist) to those in the spiritual world.

The light of God shines through Christ who sits on the throne in the highest realm and lights up all of the universe and the spiritual spheres around the earth. Those who are highest in spiritual development see Christ in His full glory; while to those in lowest development, His appearance is like the sun shining upon them. Unlike the sun, the spiritual light from Jesus shines through all objects and when a spiritual being radiates with light, it is because the light refracts through the spirit being.

All the light of everything in the spiritual world come from Christ at the throne on high. The reason why spirits of the lowest realm cannot perceive or see this light is not because it is not there but rather that their own spiritual blindness has prevented them from seeing this light. Like a blind man born without proper eyes, their spiritual eyes are not yet developed to see the light of Christ which ever shines through all His creation. Thus to them, all is darkness save the light of angelic help which they receive. The light of Christ, which shines to and through all, casts no shadows.

Memory and the mind

All the memories of the earth life are remembered by every spirit that leaves its earthly body. Memory is stored in the mind of the soul rather than in the

human physical brain. The brain is only one of the "sensations of mind". All the cells of the physical body also have their centre of "sensation of mind". Self awareness is a "sensation of mind" from the soul. When the spirit of man rules the soul, there is a "sensation of mind" from the spirit realm. When the spirit, soul and body of an individual are in disharmony, there are opposing "sensations of mind" occurring in the mind of the soul causing conflicts within an individual (Romans 7:22-25). We are to allow the spirit to rule the mind rather than the physical realm (Romans 8:5).

We need to separate the "sensations of mind that are of the spirit" from the "sensations of mind that are of the soul and of the body" (Hebrews 4:12). The memory is more intense in the spiritual world than in the physical world because memory recall involves a total experience of every detail of the memory and not just the flitting thought of an event. Thus while peace, love and joy can be thousands of times more intensely experienced, suffering can also be equally magnified. The healing unconditional love of Jesus and of our Father God brings a great restoration of the soul and spirit through the blood of Jesus. There are many trees, plants and waters of the Paradises of the various spheres of heaven that bring restoration and growth to the souls marred by their earthly experiences (Revelation 22:1, 2).

Thoughts

Thoughts are creative in the spiritual realm. All spiritual beings emanate spiritual light through their thoughts. The light that is emanated reveals the various strengths of the spirit being; the various areas of perfections; the various areas of perfection; the various areas of differentiation and characteristics, etc. Light in the spirit world is like blood (Here we are not referring to physical light made up of photons but rather spiritual light made up of the life and substance that flows from God Himself through the Word, our Lord Jesus). In the physical world, life is in the blood (Leviticus 17:11). In the spiritual world, life is in the light (John 1:4).

All our thoughts on this earth emanate light or darkness according to our inner spiritual life (Matthew 6:22, 23). All our words uttered, which are the vocal expression of our thought life, flow accordingly with the light of our thoughts. And just as it is possible to analyse physical blood to diagnose the strengths or weaknesses of the physical body; it is also possible to diagnose the strengths or weaknesses of our spirit man from the light that emanates from

our spiritual life.

Thoughts from the spiritual world of light can sometimes be felt by those who are sensitive to them on the earth. They radiate and inspire the thoughts of the people on the earth to higher realms through the work of the Holy Spirit. The thoughts of evil spirits who live in the spheres of darkness also influence and affect the thoughts of those who lean towards darkness. How much these thoughts can influence humans depends on the inner strength and character of each human heart.

Light attracts light and darkness attracts darkness. It is the free choice of all humans to which realm of thought influence they yield to. The effect of thoughts from the spheres of the spiritual realm on the present physical earth is more extensive than humans realise. These, combined with the actual work of angels and saints on the earth as opposed to the work of evil spirits on the earth, cause the activities that are on the physical earth. The invisible continues to influence the physical world in an astonishingly great manner.

Good and holy thoughts of those who live on earth can be seen in the spiritual world like a light that radiates from us in various colours. By the means of this light our inner natures can be discerned. The analysis of this luminance that flows from the character of our thoughts can reveal all our strengths and weaknesses. Through it, God and angelic spirits are able to see what areas in our lives still need help and which bad areas need to be changed.

When we leave our physical bodies and live in the spirit world, our whole spiritual body will radiate light revealing our strengths and our weaknesses. No one can hide who they are in the spirit world for it would be plain for all to see each person's character, strengths or weaknesses through the light they radiate. The characters that are dominant become reflected in our spiritual clothing which classifies us to our respective spheres.

Actions and reactions (Predestination and Free choice)

In the spiritual world, one can see the ultimate result of each thought and action. They ripple through space and time causing the results that we see in the physical earth. Every human that is born into the earth becomes part of the thoughts, actions, and reactions of the totality of thought and spiritual forces (good or bad) released since the creation of the earth. Not all the evil or suffering

in the world is caused directly by first choice of the individual. The majority of it is caused by the ripple effect of the thoughts and decisions of others preceding the individual.

Whole communities, cities and countries are gripped by the strongest ripple (more like it building to a tsunami wave) of forces that influence people on the earth. The whole earth looks like an ocean of ripples and waves of forces ebbing and flowing according to each new action and reaction of the human race. Positive or negative forces of influence sweep over entire communities, cities or countries from time to time. Every sin causes more suffering for the entire human race and every righteous thought and loving act releases a power that lifts the whole human race.

In spite of this strong invisible influence that grips every new human bom to the earth, there is still the power of free choice given to each one. If the humans by free choice choose to understand the existence of this Spiritual World and yield to the power available through the Holy Spirit, the negative effects of these forces are powerless in their lives. It does not take much to open themselves to the spiritual forces available for their aid. Even the smallest cry for help, the weakest prayer of an unregenerate human releases positive change to the spiritual forces that ebb and flow into their lives. God answers both the prayers of those who love Him and even those who hate Him but cry for His help in their need. Great is the mercy and love of our Father God. Even the slightest inclination of heart towards love and goodness releases a measure of help from the Holy Spirit.

Humans who do not open themselves to the power of help from the Spiritual World become weak and susceptible to existing forces preceding them. They are too weak to counter the effect of the negative forces present in the human race. All humans need help from outside themselves. Even those who thought that they had succeeded by their own strength and capacity received help from the spiritual world without them knowing it. There is no possibility of success in the physical world against the tide of forces that ebb and flow against the human race. Without aid from the spiritual world no one can overcome. Those who through heart, thought and action choose to continually reject help from the spiritual world in the end succumb to these forces and are destroyed; eventually losing their physical lives prematurely.

Every human is born with the potential for goodness and greatness (John 1:9).

Whether one is well known or unknown, of great visible influence or of little visible influence, everyone is powerful in contributing to the forces that affect the entire human race. An insignificant little life could be very important in the spiritual world because of what the impact that life may have twenty generations later in word, deed or action, etc. Everyone born on to the earth has a powerful world influence. Unfortunately, many do not open themselves to their spiritual destinies. No human lives and leaves this earth without contributing to the tides of forces influencing the whole human race whether positive or negative.

Those who do not yield to the forces of goodness and love become destroyed by forces of darkness that are attracted to the darkness they allow in their hearts. All humans are like magnets that constantly (by their free choice of thought and heart) attract to themselves forces of good or bad which work for them or against them. No matter how weak they think they are, by choosing the right thing in their heart of hearts, they release forces of good that would gradually overcome all the power of evil assailing against them. One small loving thought or action can fell a tsunami of evil forces.

Evil spirits are powerless against the love of God. Perfect love casts out fear (1 John 4:18). When a person is influenced to do evil or wrong things, it is because they attract evil spirits to themselves by their own evil desires. To be tempted is not wrong but to entertain the temptation and allow it to produce an evil desire in our lives is wrong. This evil desire attracts evil spirits who then entice us to do evil. The desire is our choice, the enticing is the encouragement received from evil spirits to do evil. Each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed (James 1:14).

Thus it is important never to allow wrong or evil desires to form in our heart - they attract evil spirits to our lives who will cause us to sin. The free choice is still ours. We must stop sin at its temptation stage and not allow it to grow into the desire stage. When our heart is pure and no wrong desires exist, not a single evil spirit can stand in our presence. Angels and all the heavenly hosts are attracted to our lives and encamped around us. A pure heart of love is the greatest asset in the spiritual world. Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God (Matthew 5:8).

Emotions and evil desires

Emotions are visible like a fire in the spirit world. Wrong emotions of hate, lust

and anger stir up and attract evil spirits like filth attracting flies (Ephesians 4:26,27; Matthew 5:22). Passionate agape love is like a bright light in the spirit man that lights up the darkness and draws ministering spirits together to the service of the individual. The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear the Lord (Psalm 34:7). One should be careful of allowing negative emotions to dominate one's life. Only the fruit of love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness and temperance should be allowed to remain in our character (Galatians 5:22, 23). It is clearly visible in the spiritual world whether one is cold, or lukewarm or hot and has the first love for the Lord Jesus (Revelation 2:4; 3:16).

People unwittingly are used by evil spirits when they are in a fit of anger or some other strong negative emotion. They innocently become direct instruments of evil without realising it. Evils spirits literally have a field day causing destruction and mayhem upon the earth through their physical bodies. They also use them to influence other innocent humans to do evil. Those whose lives are run permanently by negative emotions became sadly the permanent habitations of demons who draw more and more of their kind to dominate and possess more innocent humans. We need to be careful of uncontrolled negative human emotions because one can easily cross the line between human emotions into uncontrolled emotions which allow evil spirits to work (Ephesians 4:26, 27).

Fierce looking evil spirits and horrible hideous evil spirits ascend out from the depths of darkness underneath the earth and are magnetically attracted to the strong evil emotions and desires of the humans. Under normal circumstances, they cannot dwell on the earth plane but the darkness of the human desire draws them to him and their domination causes chaos and destruction through the circle of humans affected by the evil emotion and desire. They cannot remain long for when the dark desire and emotion is weakened, the bond that attracts them to the surface of the earth is broken and they descend again into the deep darkness underneath the earth.

At times in societies where an entire community, city or country is taken by a deep set of dark emotional outbursts, feelings of hate or anger that dominate them, it is like the gates of hell are let loose and all manner of evil looking spirits are attracted out from the deep darkness underneath the earth and dominate the entire community or society; causing humans under their power to do their bidding like possessed zombies destroying everything in their path. This sometimes happens when a society has experienced deep seated oppression and

injustice for a long time. The undercurrent of pent-up indignation and anger burst like a volcanic eruption and attracts the worst kind of evil spirits to the earth plane. Anarchy takes place and all manner of evil and wickedness are committed by men irrationally.

In society as in personal life, forgiveness is the only key to releasing the work of God and angels in a community. The thirst for revenge is not of God, it is of the devil. We must not only pray to ask God to forgive our sinful actions, we must also pray and ask God to forgive our wicked thoughts, emotions and desires.

We should cultivate positive emotions in line with the fruit of the Spirit by being passionate for the things of the Spirit. Many people think that yielding to the Spirit of God is just a passive matter of letting go and doing nothing. The Holy Spirit will not work without some contribution of free will from us. We need to desire the things of the Spirit. When our desire for the things of the Spirit and of God becomes overwhelmingly high above all other desires, when our passion and love is undivided for God and God alone, there is a spiritual union that takes place in the bond of the Spirit with our spirits such that the energy of the Holy Spirit, and all the might of the work of God's angels guides our lives and destinies. A mighty stream of abundant life and energy carries us throughout our daily earthly life and we are able to accomplish things of great impact upon the Spiritual World even in our earthly bodies.

This desire for the energy of the Spirit and of angels to work mightily through our lives is not by the rejection of all tilings in the physical life but rather of a recognition that only in harmony with the realm of the Spirit can we truly experience abundantly all that we are supposed to be and to do in this earthly domain. Jesus said that He has come that we might have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10). This is not just speaking about the abundance of mere materialism but rather it speaks of the abundance of spiritual energy and life that will propel us through our physical earthly destinies. We need to be conscious of the spiritual while we go about our physical lives. In that manner the kingdom of God, which is a spiritual kingdom, is in dominion upon the physical world through our obedience to the spiritual realm. We need to learn to set our minds and affections (our passions, consciousness and desires) upon things above while we walk the earth below (Colossians 3:2). Pursue love, peace and joy for anything outside of this is outside of the boundary of the kingdom of God.

Unforgiveness

In the spirit world unforgiveness is like a spiritual tie which binds a person to the one they do not forgive and pulls them down. I saw in the spirit world how those who live in unforgiveness are dragged down to the lowest spiritual level of those who have sinned against them. No matter how hard they try to progress upwards, it seems like a gravitational force pulls them downwards to those who have sinned against them and whom they have not forgiven. In the Lord's Prayer we are taught to pray that we be forgiven as we forgive those who sin against us (Matthew 6:12). It does not mean that our Heavenly Father will not forgive us if we do not forgive others, for our Father in Heaven is most loving, gracious and merciful and forgives us through the redemption of

Christ; rather it is because we are not released from being bonded to the gravitational pull of the sin of the one who sins against us unless we forgive them.

The emphasis in the Lord's prayer is on the "forgive us AS we forgive others." The AS emphasizes the connection of our ability to forgive and our reception of forgiveness rather than the Father's ability to forgive us. In a sense, our Heavenly Father is blocked by our own free will from blessing us with His forgiveness. Thus the intent, the willingness, the ability and the power of our Heavenly Father is never questioned; rather our ability to receive His forgiveness is blocked by our free choice.

In a similar manner, neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth nor any created thing can separate us from the love of God (Romans 8:38, 39); yet from a free will perspective, we can choose to reject God's love. In this situation of rejection via free will, the ability of the love of God to reach us is not blocked from God's perspective but rather from the human perspective. The moment we forgive those who sin against us, the bondage of that sin over our lives is broken and we are indeed freed spiritually from its downward pull.

In the spiritual world, people are not only dragged down by their sins but those who do not forgive them of their sin are also spiritually dragged down by its gravitational pull. Sin causes damage to the character and spiritual body of its doer. It also causes the same damage to those who cannot forgive others of the same sin thus preventing spiritual progress. Our personification of love,

Jesus, forgave those who crucified Him; we should also be able, through God's love, to forgive those who sin against us. One is not healed inwardly until one forgives. Not desiring revenge or harm on our enemies is only half of unforgiveness; we also need to grow to the point that all we desire is good and love towards our enemies. Great is the impact of all our love and hate in this world upon ourselves. Progress in the spiritual world is not possible until all our hate turn into pure love and benevolence.

The Spiritual Universe

The Spiritual Universe consists of many different spheres of light that radiate from all the worlds that God has created and reaches right to the heaven of heavens, the Throne of God. It is brimming with life and activity of all the creations of God in various dimensions, each fulfilling their destiny. All the human activity of the earth in this present generation and in all the history of men combined is only one tiny dot in all the activities of the Spiritual Universe.

Between the beginning of the spheres of light and the spheres of darkness that radiate from the earth is an intermediate sphere, which for lack of a better term, we shall call the earth sphere. The light spheres nearer the earth are not that dissimilar to the earth, except that everything is perfect and it does not have the ugly things of the earth. This is to enable those who at death are ready for the light of the spiritual spheres to grow and develop further in an environment familiar to them while they grow and progress to the heavens of God. Everything moves like music and harmony.

There are far more colours and harmony of colours than we can perceive on this earth. Everything is more radiant and full of joy. There are two categories of spheres: one of a spiritual ether material type (a type of spiritual light matter - God said let there be light -Genesis 1:3) like the planets or solar systems in which the spheres surround; the other spheres of a soul-spiritual development type that transverse the systems. The spheres surrounding the planets or solar systems are for the growth of creatures of God through their particular system - planetary spheres.

The spheres of a soul-spiritual type are for the development of the spirit towards the fullness of God which is the centre of all these spheres - celestial spheres. These second category spheres are greater and enclose all the other spheres. Within each sphere are smaller spheres of growth at the level of the

sphere in which the smaller spheres are. Like a wheel within a wheel (Ezekiel 1:15, 16). A third category of sphere, of which only a glimpse is given, is the highest and it radiates from the very Throne of God and consists of pure spirit-essence--the God-spheres. All the planetary spheres revolve around the celestial spheres which in turn revolve around the God-spheres.

There are many "heavens" where the presence of God is manifested to a different degree in each sphere. All planetary spheres of God have their own heaven and progress to the heaven of heavens where God dwells. The glory of each heaven is progressively greater with the least glory in the sphere of heaven nearer the earth and the greatest glory in the sphere of heaven nearest to the heaven of heavens.

Although there are innumerable heavens in each creation of God, all the heavens and creations can be classified into three main categories: the First Heaven containing planetary spheres that belong to the particular solar systems, the Second Heaven containing the celestial spheres which belong to the space between solar systems, and the Third Heaven containing the God-spheres which radiate directly outwards from the Throne of God Himself.

The progression of spiritual growth is not just in glory alone but also in dimension until it reaches the dimension of God where all dimensions known to us of time, space, unipresence, etc. disappear because God is outside of all the dimensions which He has created. For a human spirit that has just left the mortal body, even the first sphere of light would be a paradise compared to the present physical world. There is no death or decay or any of the earthly imperfections; only love, peace and joy.

God is able to manifest Himself in any part of the Spiritual Universe without leaving His throne. This manifestation takes a spiritual form with all the glory of God as tailored to the specific glory realm of the place where the revelation of God is unfolded. Angels and spirits in the highest spheres also possess a measure of this ability to project their presence in a spiritual form without leaving their places of abode. This spiritual form is alive with the life of the spirit and responsive to all the thoughts, will and emotion of the originating source. There is no natural comparison to this. Time, space and reality in the spiritual world are not as unbending as their physical counterparts (of time, space and matter). Part of the progress in the Spiritual World is to break free from always thinking in our physical three dimensional ways.

The Spheres of Darkness

Starting at the realm below the earth are different underworld spheres in which are spirits of men in the most grotesque forms. They are almost indistinguishable from demons. When humans in the physical realm lend themselves to evil desires and thoughts, they attract the influences of evil spirits some of which arise from the very deep darkness in Hades momentarily to try to reign over their lives (James 3:6). These evil spirits cannot remain in the earth sphere without humans of their own free will allowing themselves to be dominated by these evil spirits.

From time to time, where a community, society or city yield themselves to evil, it looks like a volcanic eruption in the spirit world when momentarily the dark fires and lava of Hades flows onto the surface of the earth subjugating the human society until spiritual light is once again restored through human vessels who yield themselves to the divine light of Christ; and the evil spirits retreat into their dark abyss.

Below the Intermediate realm, the spheres of darkness begin and reach right into the bowels of the earth. The outer realms of the spheres of darkness are like twilight but as one progresses deeper, it becomes progressively darker into the depths of Hades. Within this realm is a section of outer darkness which Jesus said has weeping and the gnashing of teeth (Matthew 8:12).

The Intermediate Sphere

A great number of Christians of the lowest category (1 Corinthians 3:15) are found in this realm. Many of them who have lived worldly and materialistic, unholy and selfish lives remain in the lowest of the earth spheres. The love of the Father is not fully developed in their lives (1 John 2:15). They were surprised at the dimness of light which greeted than. When a spirit departs from the physical body at death it remains at the same spiritual level as it was when it died. There is no instantaneous super spiritual growth. The character the spirit had while in the physical body is the same character it retains when it leaves the body.

The measurement of true spiritual growth is Christ-likeness and not just knowledge about Christ or knowledge of His redemption. Mental knowledge does not transform a person but revelation and true heart knowledge of Christ transforms one to be like Christ. Some Christians who think that the redemption

grace of Christ at the cross gives them permission to keep sinning violate the very purpose for which Christ came for them - and that is to make them in His own image, to be free from sin and bear fruit unto holiness and everlasting life (Romans 8:29; 6:15, 22).

The intermediate sphere is also primarily populated by spirits in whom there is still some light of redemption based on the light of their conscience (Romans 2:11-16). There are many different levels in the earth sphere ranging from very dry and parched landscapes to those resembling paradise as one goes higher. Many thousands of various sections, each one like a totally different country, exist within this sphere; each catering for the diversities of spiritual schools and education still necessary for those whose spirits have redemption quality and who have only a partial revelation of Christ through their conscience (Romans 2 category).

The revelation of Christ is given in varying degrees to all those in accordance to their spiritual development. Spirits in the earth sphere are not able to see all of the glory of Christ in the highest heavens but a measure of the light of Christ is given dimly at this level. Some of those humans who have OBE (out of body experiences) and NDE (near death experiences) saw this realm without seeing the light of Christ. Others saw this realm and came to know the light of Christ. Many had a genuine experience in the spirit world but did not interpret it correctly. For in this realm are thousands of redeemed souls who axe now serving as ministering spirits and depending on the spiritual development of the ministering spirit assigned to humans with OBEs or NDEs, they are given only a partial knowledge of the spirit world. It is wrong of them to assume that their partial knowledge is the total knowledge of the spirit world.

For this reason some of the knowledge acquired from OBEs and NDEs seems to be contradictory to one another. For even within the spirit realm, free will is still respected and redeemed spirits progress from one level of knowledge to another level from glory to glory (2 Corinthians 3:18). No revelation is ever forced upon a redeemed spirit but each must acquire and come to know the full revelation of Christ and of God as they progress.

Everyone who physically dies on the earth enters first into this region after which they are separated either into darkness or light (Ezekiel 26:20). Ideally, spirits should not be in this sphere for long but many who lived their lives without preparation for a spiritual eternity end up spending a longer time in this

realm than they should. There are a vast number of schools and very earth-like (but more perfect) worlds within this realm which exist so that spirits would not feel discomforted by the vast realities of the spiritual world. Many of those who died without preparation for life in the spiritual realm still think that they are in their body or in a dream. The light of Christ is very, very dim in this realm. Some spirits, especially those of suicides or others who pass from the physical world suddenly, are still attached to their earthly life and thoughts and keep reliving the pain of their lives in themselves.

Others, whose lives and natures are already in darkness, almost immediately plunge into the darkness of the spheres of darkness; attracted to and tormented by other spirits like themselves. Those who live in the light while on the earth almost immediately ascend to the spheres of light. Spirits in the Intermediate Sphere sometimes wander around like lost souls (some still thinking that they are physically alive) on the physical earth before they are separated into either the spheres of darkness or the spheres of light (Matthew 12:43). It is very, very important to take time to prepare for life in the spiritual world while we have physical life. God is saddened by the great numbers of people who live their physical lives without any thought or preparation for the spiritual world.
The tunnel of light that many people see in death is just a passageway through the spheres of darkness that surround the earth to the intermediate realm and to the realm of the spheres of light.

False revelation from the spirit world

When a human seeks to acquire knowledge of the spirit world out of carnal desire or out of curiosity, in the worst case scenario they would be misled by evil spirits who give them a perverted view of the spirit world or in the best occasion, under the permissive will of God, they receive instruction from a spirit from the intermediate sphere which is only a partial view of the spirit world.

Three tests of the purity of knowledge that comes from the spirit world are:

1. Consistency with the Bible (2 Timothy 3:16). If it contradicts the Bible, stay clear of it.

2. Jesus is the Word and the Word is God (John 1:1). If it lowers Jesus Christ from His position of Godhead, stay dear of it.

3. The blood and atonement of Jesus (Revelation 5:8-10; John 14:6).

Redemption is not by good works but through the blood of the Lamb of God (Revelation 5:12; Hebrews 9:14; 10:10, 19).

Earth and its invisible spheres as it revolves around the sun

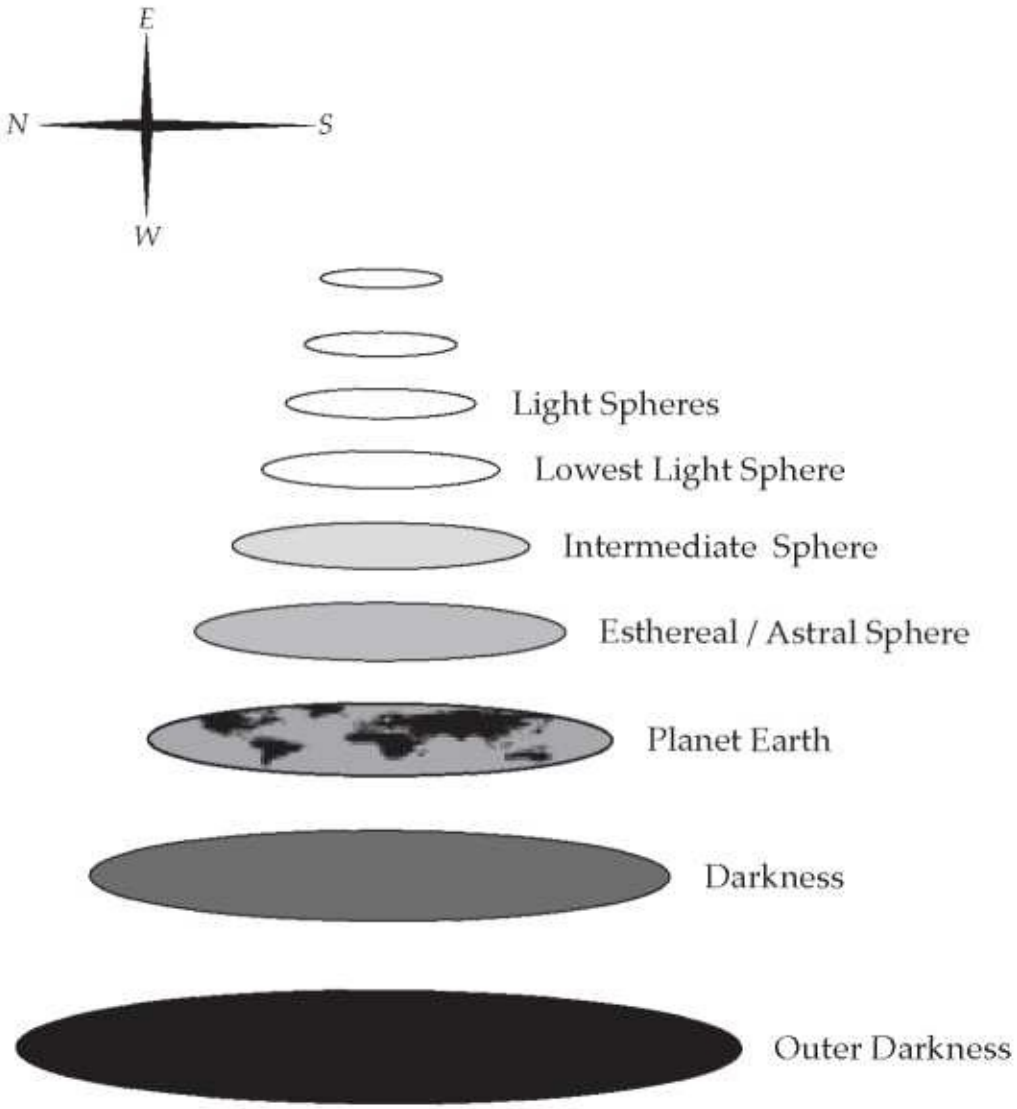

Diagram 1 - Invisible Spheres around the Planet Earth

One should in this life seek to accept by faith the redemption of Christ and allow the Spirit of Christ to come into the heart to transform oneself into the

very image of Christ - walking in perfect love and holiness. If God should allow one to experience the spirit world, be thankful for it but never seek it out of carnal desire. If you keep walking faithful to God with what you already have, God would give you more in accordance with His Will.

For eyes have not seen, nor ear heard nor entered into the hearts of men, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him (1 Corinthians 2:9). A pure desire to flow with the Spiritual World so as to grow and to be a greater service of love to others opens the door for the ministering spirits to work in our lives. Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God (Matthew 5:8).

Progression in the Spiritual World

One continues to grow and progress even in the perfection of the Spiritual World. Progression is through love and service to others. Self-interest is a hindrance to spiritual progress. This applies to both self-centredness in self-seeking self-preservation and even spiritual self-seeking. There is such a thing as spiritual selfishness where one seeks only to progress oneself spiritually. Sadly, this in itself hinders growth. True growth comes by being God-like, with pure love and benevolence towards others.

In the spiritual world, spirits progress by helping others. Unconscious of one's own spirituality or glory, the motivation of love and care towards others transforms a spirit internally into a greater and higher glorious state. He who seeks his life will lose it but he who loses his life will find it (Luke 17:33). There is no place for self-centredness in the Spiritual World. It is the source of sin, iniquity and darkness.

Humans who live on this earth are so used to self-interest and self-preservation that we do not realise how contrary it is in nature to our true inward selves and the reality of the Spiritual World. The true moments of glory that shine in human events are when the self is forgotten in an act of pure love. There is a form of self-sacrifice that is still selfish (1 Corinthians 13:3), and there is another form of pure self-sacrifice that is bom out of the power of God's love in us (John 3:16; 1 John 3:16).

The best spiritual state of being and mindset to be in is to be completely absorbed and in union with the presence of God's love and be living our lives out of the propulsion and energy of love that consumes us and causes us to love and

care for others. The transformation of glory is greatest in this state of being just like Moses was completely unaware of the glory affecting him as he talked to God and ministered to the people under his charge (Exodus 34:29, 30). The apostle Paul who speaks about the glory of God that transforms from glory to glory also spoke of the love of God that moved and constrained him to do all that he did (2 Corinthians 3:18; 4:16-18; 5:14).

No Reincarnation

There is no such thing as reincarnation of human souls in the Spiritual World. What many people have experienced as reincarnation (whether in NDE or in memory recall while awake) is most of the time the experiences and memories of other departed spirits who had lived in the past. These departed spirits are themselves in the state of wandering, many times in confusion, not accepting the loss of their physical bodies and are looking to re-live their lives or better themselves. At other times, evil spirits intentionally deceive humans by implanting a mixture of true and false memories for their own amusement.

It is appointed for men to die once and after that comes the judgment (Hebrews 9:27). The natural progression for the human spirit is to complete its mission on earth and continue on in its progression in the Spirit World. Many of the spirits of the lower and earthbound spheres hold on to this belief as the best way to progress and thus there is a hierarchy group of spirits that are organised to perpetuate this doctrine among men. A number of these spirits are responsible for the experiences of those who had NDEs and returned with wrong doctrines of reincarnation. These spirits are also cleverly deceptive in assuming positions as guides to those who are psychic and implanting this false doctrine into their understanding of the Spirit World.

The purpose of the spirits who deceive many in this false doctrine is to put the humans who believe in this doctrine under subjection to their influence. Having lost their physical bodies, they have an opportunity to vicariously live their lives again through those who accept this doctrine. Disembodied spirits long to experience the sensations of the material bodies and because of the darkness in their hearts, continue through guile and deception to subjugate weak human minds and wills for their own indulgence.

In the Spirit World the exercise of the human will produces a force-field which prevents evil spirits from penetrating the atmosphere around those who

have chosen not to allow any evil influence over their lives. Where the human will is weak and they seek help through prayer, angelic spirits come to their aid and through their higher powers and will, create a force field which prevents the evil spirits from coming near the human. When under the protection of their guardian angels and ministering spirits, if the human still chooses to allow the influence, the evil spirits, with difficulty, project their influence towards him. The free will of all humans is respected and honoured by all spirits. It is the law of God and spirits cannot bypass the free choice given to men.

The wrong teaching of reincarnation is propagated by spirits whose spiritual eyes have not been opened to see the multitudes of schools in the spirit world to help one advance and progress spiritually. They think that only on this earth is there an opportunity to learn. Some spirits of the earth sphere and the dark spheres carry this teaching ignorantly because the higher realms are invisible to them. Even when they travel the expanse of the Spiritual Universe, the higher realms are invisible to them because it is a higher frequency and dimension; all they see is just a void or a black hole where everything flows.

If their spiritual eyes are open to the higher realm, they would see the greatness of the light and all the glories that flow from the throne of God. In the worst case scenario, humans who believe such become subject to the spirits whose memories they believe are theirs; these spirits then become stuck in the earth plane unable to progress further because they try to live vicariously through those who have physical bodies.

Many of these spirits (of the Romans 2 category) are held back because they have not come to understand and know that only through Christ is there further progress in the Spiritual World. Without the true knowledge of Christ and union with Him, spirits rely on their own ability to try to progress. Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life; even in the Spirit World, no one comes to the Father except through Him (John 14:6).

Some of those who have NDEs or OBEs in the spirit world and thought they saw the "Christian heaven" as a small part of the spiritual world are only seeing the dwelling places of the Christians who are still progressing in the Intermediate Spheres (which is alongside all the other types of "heaven" of those of the Romans 2 category). The rest of the glories of Jesus are invisible to them. Vain are those who have NDEs and claim that all that they saw was all that there is. When they tire of their struggles and acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ, further

light is given to them in the progression into the highest heavenly realms.

Material World from the Spiritual View

From our material and physical perspective, the spiritual world seems to be "airy fairy." A dimension that is not solid to our physical senses. From the perspective of the spiritual world, it is our material world that is not of "solid substance." The only real and solid things in the spiritual world are those made up of "spiritual substance." Everything material looks like it is made up of "vapour" (James 4:14) from the highest spiritual perspective. The whole material world looks like a "mist" that is fragile and about to be blown away.

One can understand why it looks so foolish to the spiritual world when humans (born to live in the spiritual world) spend their entire lives hoarding up material riches for themselves - all of which are made up of temporal substance and will all soon pass away like mist. All material things which are visible to us physically are temporal (2 Corinthians 4:18). To spirits who live in the highest glory of God, it is almost invisible and only the spiritual condition of the earth and the spiritual condition of men are visible; for the spiritual is the only true reality in the Spiritual World. However, to the spirits of the Earthly Spheres, the material world is still "visible" to a certain extent. For this reason, the Earthly Spheres are thus called "earthly spheres" because of their strong links and relations to the material earth.

The important things in the Spirit World

From the spiritual perspective, the achievements in this life - success at an accomplishment, acquiring a position, purchasing a new asset, etc. - do not figure very much. Rather how one relates to other people, how one helps others and how one is of service to another is the greater accomplishment. Growth in the spiritual world is measured by how much one becomes of service to another. The greatest in the spiritual world is the servant of all (Mark 10:44).

This present physical world focuses on mental acquisition and outward results but in the spiritual world they focus on the inner cause and source of the results. For it is a spiritual law that when an individual is inwardly transformed by receiving the impartation of God's life and light, the results would be automatically secured. Thus the spiritual world focuses on individuals absorbing the truth of God into their very substance and not just mental knowledge of a

truth.

The reason why it takes time for the outward manifestation of an inward reception and impartation is because the inward transformation is incomplete. Even though sometimes individuals think (mentally), and convince themselves that they already have it, in their true selves they haven't got it fully yet until it is an automatic, subconscious and habitual part of their daily lives. When one first receives a truth or a new impartation and understanding of life, they do not have it until it is within their subconscious, in their actions and is a part of their daily habit of life.

It is not just when we think and believe about something that we have it, but it is when we are practising the truth that we truly have it. It is when we are not thinking about it and yet it forms part of our substance of life-consciousness that we truly have absorbed it into us. In the spirit world all truth is simultaneously a substance of life and not just mere knowledge (John 14:6). Whoever abides in Him does not sin; whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him (1 John 3:6). Whoever is born of God does not sin, for His seed remains (abides as a part of the life-substance and principle of the individual and not mere mental knowledge) in him; and he cannot sin because he has been born of God (1 John 3:9). Don't just believe in love; practice love until it is a part of your life, until your very nature becomes the love nature of God.

The spiritual world focuses on growth (knowing that growth will automatically produce the progress) but the natural physical world focuses on effort. This physical focus on effort has overstrained and overtaxed a great number of people and thus they are spiritually exhausted. Their spiritual energy is dissipated and they are spiritually empty. Rather than replenishing their spiritual energy, they continue in their own physical strength like a zombie, an empty physical shell. If one will grow into things, one would find that life is like flowing in a life-stream of energy carried by the power supplied within our spiritual beings to "naturally" and "automatically" accomplish that which is our destiny.

There is minimum effort where free choice and personal volition is still required but it is done from a state of rest and not from a state of strained effort. For he who has entered into His rest has himself also ceased from his works (Hebrews 4:10). We are to walk in the works that God has prepared beforehand (already completed in the spiritual realm and inwardly imparted into our spirits) for us and not "run" or "strain" or "stress" to accomplish them (Ephesians 2:10).

It would be like Adam and Eve "walking" in the Garden of Eden which God had prepared for them. They were told to subdue and have dominion. As we walk (subduing and having dominion) in the works that God has prepared for us it is a gift of God and not our own efforts (Ephesians 2:8). Rather it is the result of God's workmanship in us (Ephesians 2:10). This "workmanship" is the inner working, transformation and impartation that takes place within our spirits. It is not our self effort but the power of God's grace working in us and through us (1 Corinthians 15:10). Abide in Christ and let Christ abide in you, and you will bear much fruit (John 15:5). For without Him, we can do nothing - all our efforts are empty and produce empty results in the spiritual realm.

The greatest is love (1 Corinthians 13:13)

Progress in the spiritual world is through service and love. Many who read this and begin to perceive the requirement in the spiritual world to progress to the highest realm will sometimes be too eager to push themselves to reach the highest sphere. This is not possible because everything in the spiritual world progresses by growth and not just mere knowledge and effort. Most of the time we acquire mental knowledge and understanding without the proper growth and practice time to allow the newly understood knowledge to become part of our substance. We place it on the "mental shelf" and move to another area and think that just because we have understood it "mentally": that we have it.

Even in the natural world, we do not expect to develop muscles or acquire a professional skill overnight. Just because we have read a book about football does not mean that we can be experts in playing football. Just because we read a "how to" book about gardening does not make us horticulturalists. It takes practice and time to acquire a professional skill and make it a part of our lives. It takes time to allow a new spiritual truth that we have been shown to become part of our spiritual substance.

The time period of growth involves daily exercising and practising this truth until it becomes a part of our consciousness and habit without effort. The "doing" part is important and not just the "knowing" part. For to hear and to know is merely like a man who builds his house on the sand. Only the man who daily, patiently, constantly and persistently puts to practice the truths of Christ will become a man who builds his house on the rock (Matthew 7:24). There are many Christians who are walking around without spiritual foundation because all they go about in their Christian life is to assimilate truth by merely knowing

and understanding.

To grow in the spiritual world one must give and live benevolent agape love to one another. This ability comes from the love of God the Father which the individual receives through Jesus from God the Father and Omnipotent Creator and Ruler of all Universes. All spirits in the spiritual world are helping another one lesser than themselves. Every upward progress is based upon service and dedication to those lesser than them. There is no place for self or pride in the spiritual realm because all spirit beings understand that the greatest joy and sense of well being comes through helping and serving one another.

It is important that one progresses faithfully through each sphere of glory through service. This growth process cannot be hurried or hastened for the manifold fullness of each development level must be attained otherwise the lack becomes apparent at the higher level sphere. The more one becomes less self-conscious and becomes fully conscious only of the joy and love-consciousness of serving others, the more one is able to progress. The higher one progresses spiritually, the more one becomes like God in pure benevolence and love towards all. God is love and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him (1 John 4:16).

Limits of Revelation, Creation and Mysteries of the Spiritual World

There are limits of revelation of the Spiritual World that God has placed in this life. Our ability to know God while in this physical world is severely limited by our material world and the inferiority of our faculties. We are allowed to understand our past and discover our future destinies. All the other mysteries of the Spiritual Universe can only be partially glimpsed but not fully understood while in this earthly body. With that in mind, we will try to broaden a little more the mysteries of the spirit world, always remembering that our descriptions and vocabulary are inadequate and our success would only be in painting a shadow of what true reality in the Spirit World is like.

God, who Always Is, created all time, space and energy Since God does not exist in these limits, we cannot imagine the dimension of God (since as His creation, we always think of existence in terms of time, space and energy). Those who try to define God by these limits are attempting to describe God from the human point of view. Try to imagine a dimension where time does not exist, space does not exist and energy does not exist and at the same time contains all

of time, all of space and all of energy. The whole spiritual and physical universe created by God with all its life and inhabitants exists within time, space and energy (although the substance of spiritual time, spiritual space and spiritual energy is beyond the physical manifestations of physical linear time, linear space and linear energy).

When God first created, He spoke and spiritual light came into being (Genesis 1:3). This light was not just natural light (photons) but it is a spiritual substance that cannot be seen or measured in the physical world. (Natural light is only a mere natural attribute of the formation of stars and suns). This original spiritual light contains the substance of time, space and energy.

There is a difference between spiritual time, spiritual space and spiritual energy and physical time, physical space and physical energy. Physical time is linear and measured by vibrations or movements of atoms or the rotations of heavenly bodies. Physical space is linear and measured by physical distance. Physical energy is linear and measured by velocity or frequencies or vibration. In order to understand spiritual concepts, we need to understand that there is also psychological time (where events can seem short or long based on our interest), psychological space (where distance can seem near or far based on our awareness) and psychological movement or velocity (where we seem to be moving even if another object of our attention is the one that moves - backwards or forwards - or the reverse where something else seems to be moving - like the sun around the earth - when it is actually we who moved).

The spiritual concept of time, space and energy is similar to the psychological concept of time, space and energy. The spiritual world experiences time through events, experiences space through thoughts and experiences energy through the spiritual life vibrating or pulsating from the spirit heart (which has its life origin from God). All of the Spiritual Universes still experience the concept of time, space and life but not in the same limited earth manner.

The soul areas of man: intellect, will and emotions, were created to experience all the fullness of the dimensions of time, space and energy. We were not to be limited or dominated by these dimensions but rather learn to manipulate and be dominant over them. When we are freed from our physical body and become spirit beings, we are able to grow and learn to progress in our domination over these three dimensions of God's creation. Even now we have a measure of the powers of the age to come (Hebrews 6:5). Consciousness is like the frequency,

motion or energy aspect, the Will is like the propulsion or space aspect and Feelings are like the time aspect. Below is a diagram of what our experience of the spiritual dimension of time, space and energy are like:

It is possible for a spiritual experience to last only one earth minute but be like six weeks. Or for spiritual experiences to be like a few minutes but physically lasting for one whole earth week. The physical earth measures linear time by atoms and the revolution of the earth around the sun. Spiritual time can be shortened or lengthened and it receives its pulsed life from the very Throne of God which created time.

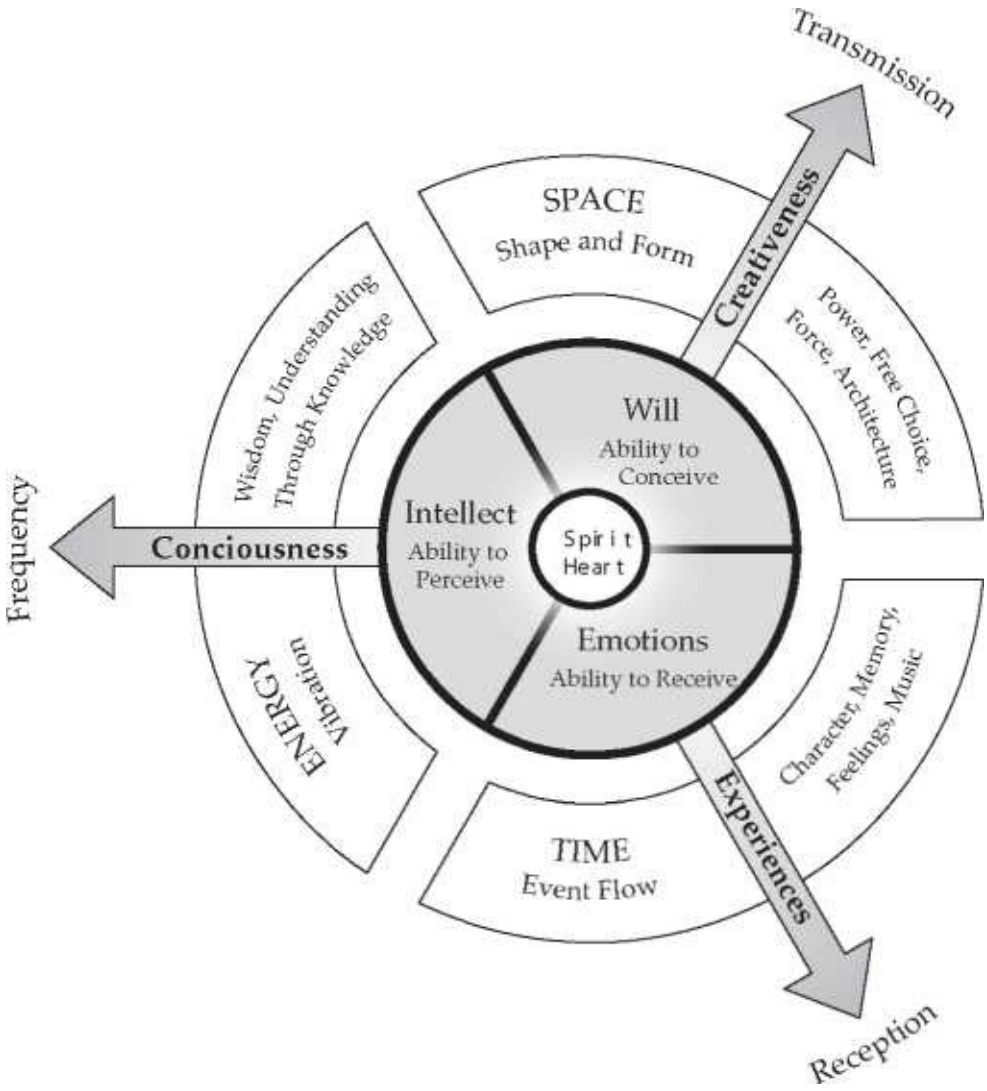

Diagram 2: Spiritual Dimensions of Time, Space and Energy

Spiritual distances which are millions of light years when measured by earthly

scales can be transverse in a fleeting thought but the distances can be "spiritually felt" by the density of the spiritual materiality of each sphere. The different spiritual spheres also contain different degrees of spiritual energy with the highest spheres containing the greatest pulsation of life. Because of the different degrees in which each sphere vibrates with the energy of spiritual life, those of the lowest sphere cannot see the higher spheres nor live in them until their internal spiritual life grows to the same degree of life or glory. In a similar way we cannot see the blades of a fan turning very fast, and are unable to see infra red or ultraviolet light because we do not have the internal physical eye capacity to see those wave lengths of photons.

The physical material world is of the lowest life and lowest frequency of glory. It is "like a heavy condensation of the spiritual substance of spiritual light." For lack of a better word, I would need to use the word "astral" hereby defined as the realm between the spiritual and the material to describe some mysteries of the material creation. From the spiritual substance of the spiritual light that came forth in God's original creation, spiritual matter is first formed. Different proportions of spiritual time, spiritual space and spiritual energy formed different types of spiritual matter *(x*T x *y*/S x *z*E = Various Spiritual substances).

All the different spheres of the Spiritual Universes consist of the differing proportions of this light substance through differing proportions of time, space and matter. In a similar manner, natural light (photons) has three properties of frequency (related to spiritual frequency, energy or vibration), of wave length (related to the spiritual space), and a physical time dimension (related to spiritual time). For this reason, some aspects of God's creations are completely invisible to inhabitants of a spiritual world made from other proportions of the spiritual substance of time, space and energy. Spirits created by God progress in their growth through the spiritual spheres experiencing the different dimensions and beauty of God's creation.

The lives of the spirits are not dependent on the spiritual substances of time, space and energy of their solar systems or galaxies but rather their lives come from God directly but their manifest forms take on the substances of the respective world, solar system or galaxies in which they were first given life - their forms changing from glory to glory as they progress in their walk with God through the various spheres.

The physical plane is like one aspect of the proportion of the distribution and

combination of spiritual light substance of time, space and energy. Imagine the different wave lengths of light as different combinations of spiritual matter (spiritual time, spiritual space and spiritual energy) and that physical matter is only one wave length of this manifestation (like between all the colours from infra red plus the seven visible colours of the rainbow to ultra violet - and only being able to see just one colour). What we physically see is only like one wave length of this marvellous combination of possibly millions of dimensions of spiritual substance of matter.

When a human dies, they only leave behind the physical dimension but their life continues clothed in a lighter dimension of this spiritual matter (lighter in comparison to physical material). Of course, even this "lighter dimension" when compared with the higher spheres of glory is "heavy." Imagine that there are countless other spheres higher in glory and you can imagine how heavy the earthly spheres must seem to spirits who are from God's highest throne.

As spirits grow in glory through the spheres, they take on the "lighter" spiritual substances of the higher sphere. Thus spirits from the higher spheres can be invisible to those of the lower spheres but the spirits of the lower spheres are always visible to spirits in the higher spheres. When the higher spirits visit the lower spheres, they take on the substance of the lower

sphere and when a lower spirit visits the higher spheres they are temporarily shielded with a covering so that they won't feel uncomfortable in the greatness of the lighter substance of higher glory.

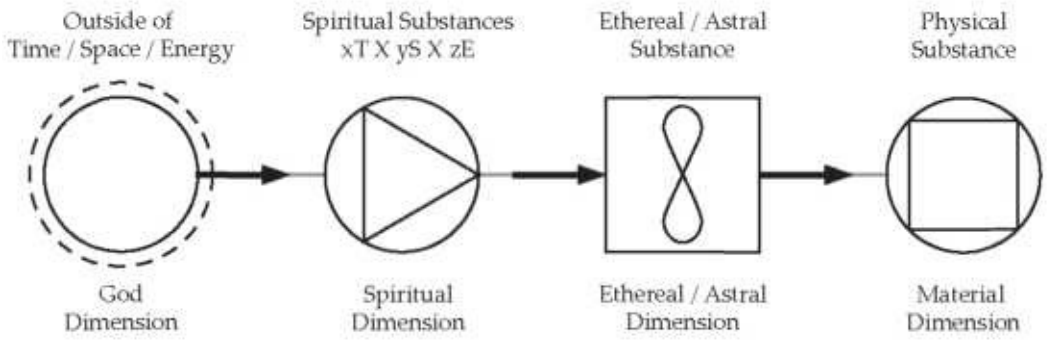

Diagram 3: The Various Dimensions of Reality

God exists outside of all time, space and energy; and is in a dimension and realm beyond all our understanding at the moment. The Spiritual dimension consists of

all the Spiritual spheres in their various states of glory. The highest spiritual spheres are sublime and lighter whilst the lowest spiritual spheres are less glorious but still made up of a spiritual substance. The ethereal/astral dimension is separate from the spiritual dimension in that the spiritual substance takes another dimensional shift (ethereal/astral particles) before the material dimension of physical matter.

Mysteries of the Material World

There are things in the spiritual world for which there are no words any earthly language can describe (2 Corinthians 12:4). No earthly language can paint their reality. There are colours in the spectrum of light that are beyond the ability of the physical earth to reproduce. There are colours which contain healings and impartations yet unknown to the earth. There are notes and tones too refined for the sphere of the earth. There are forces and powers not yet available to us nor can they be understood or utilized by us in our present development.

The blessings of the Spiritual World constantly flow and vibrate down towards the earth but our physical brain, made from material matter, does not feel their impact impinging upon us and lifting us upwards. As each spirit develops the spiritual organs and senses to receive the frequencies of the higher spiritual realms, then only is it able to receive the relative blessings of the impartations flowing like a river from the Throne of God through the various spiritual spheres to the earth.

The spiritual substance of spiritual light cannot become physical material without first passing through another dimension. (Remember that each dimension of spiritual substance is formed by different proportions of spiritual time, spiritual space and spiritual energy). This dimension between the physical material dimension and the spiritual dimension is called the ethereal/astral dimension - the deep (Genesis 1:2). The ethereal/astral dimension is likened to the dimension when water vapour (H_2O) becomes liquid (water) and then solid (ice) (Genesis 1:2 - waters of the deep; Job 38:30; Psalms 42:7; 104:5-6; Proverbs 8:27, 28; Habakkuk 3:10). It is like the mould in which water is poured before it is made into different shapes of ice.

All physical matter has its ethereal/astral form before its physical form. Ethereal/astral forms are formed by ethereal/astral elements whilst physical forms are formed from atomic particles of protons, neutrons and electrons. There

are four types of ethereal/astral elements which make up the ethereal/astral mineral life. They possess a measure of energy life force just like atoms and molecules possess energy. And as physical cells are formed from DNA which are combinations of four nucleotides (ACGT), ethereal/astral cells are formed from the four ethereal/astral elements of mineral life which are: earth type (E), fire type (F), water type (W) and air type (A).

The four ethereal/astral elements, although named as earth, fire, water and air are not like their physical element counterparts but rather relate (or have its physical shadow form) to the four primal forces of physics: earth relating to the force of gravity, fire relating to electromagnetic force, water relating to the strong force and air to the weak force.

These "ethereal/astral DNA" form ethereal/astral cells which in turn form three higher ethereal/astral life forms: plant life, animal life and human life. Because the physical realm is patterned after the invisible realm, what we see as physical DNA (ACGT) is patterned after the invisible "ethereal/astral DNA" (EFWA) (Romans 1:20; 2 Corinthians 4:18; Hebrews 11:3).

The ethereal/astral realm is affected by the thought energy that flows from all humans. It is also affected by the emotions and will of humans. Just as our physical bodies are constantly renewing each cell daily through our physical food; our ethereal/astral forms are constantly renewing their ethereal/astral cells through absorption of ethereal/astral life energy. Our thoughts have an effect on our ethereal/astral forms which then have a psychosomatic effect on our physical bodies.

Ancient philosophies have some perception of these truths but there is also a lot of error in their understanding of the realm between the spiritual and material world. The Chinese philosophy of yin (water) / yang (fire) and qi (human astral energy) gives a partial truth. The Greek philosophy of the elements of fire, water, earth and air also gives partial truths. Indian philosophy uses five elements of fire, water, earth, air and ether. Chinese acupuncture philosophy uses five elements of fire, water, earth, air and wood.

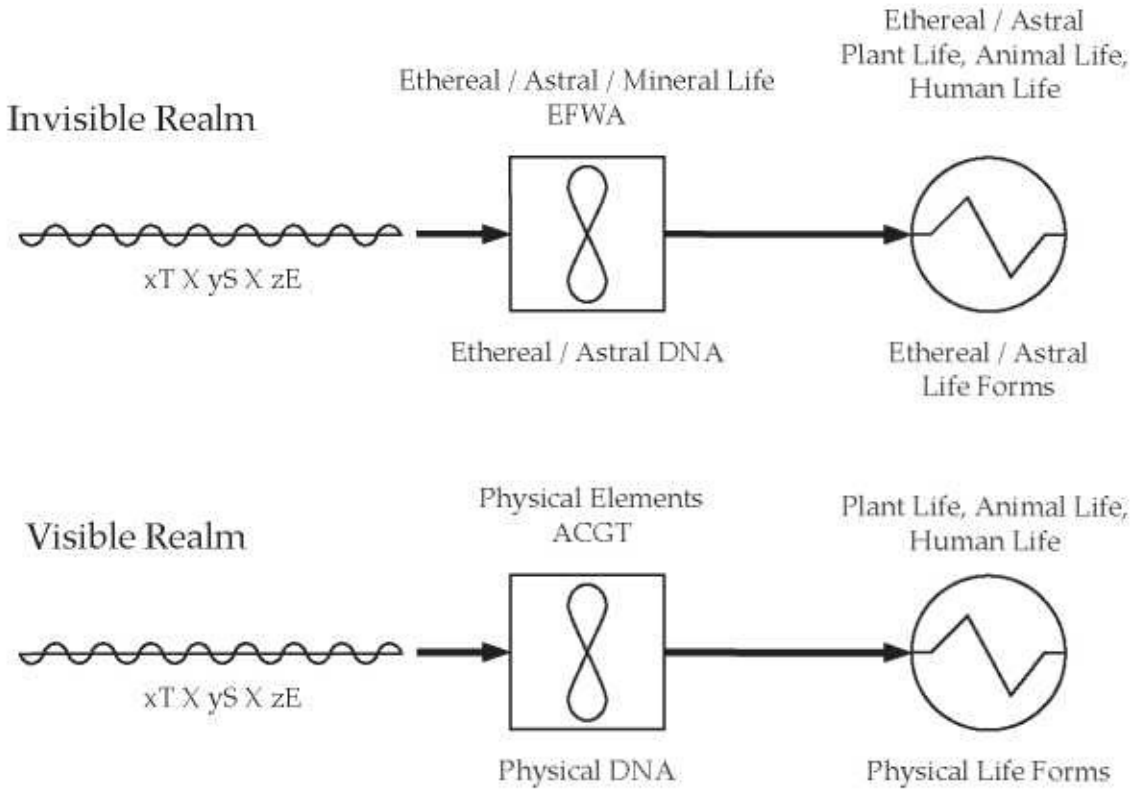

Diagram 4: The Visible World patterned after the Invisible World (Hebrews 11: 3)

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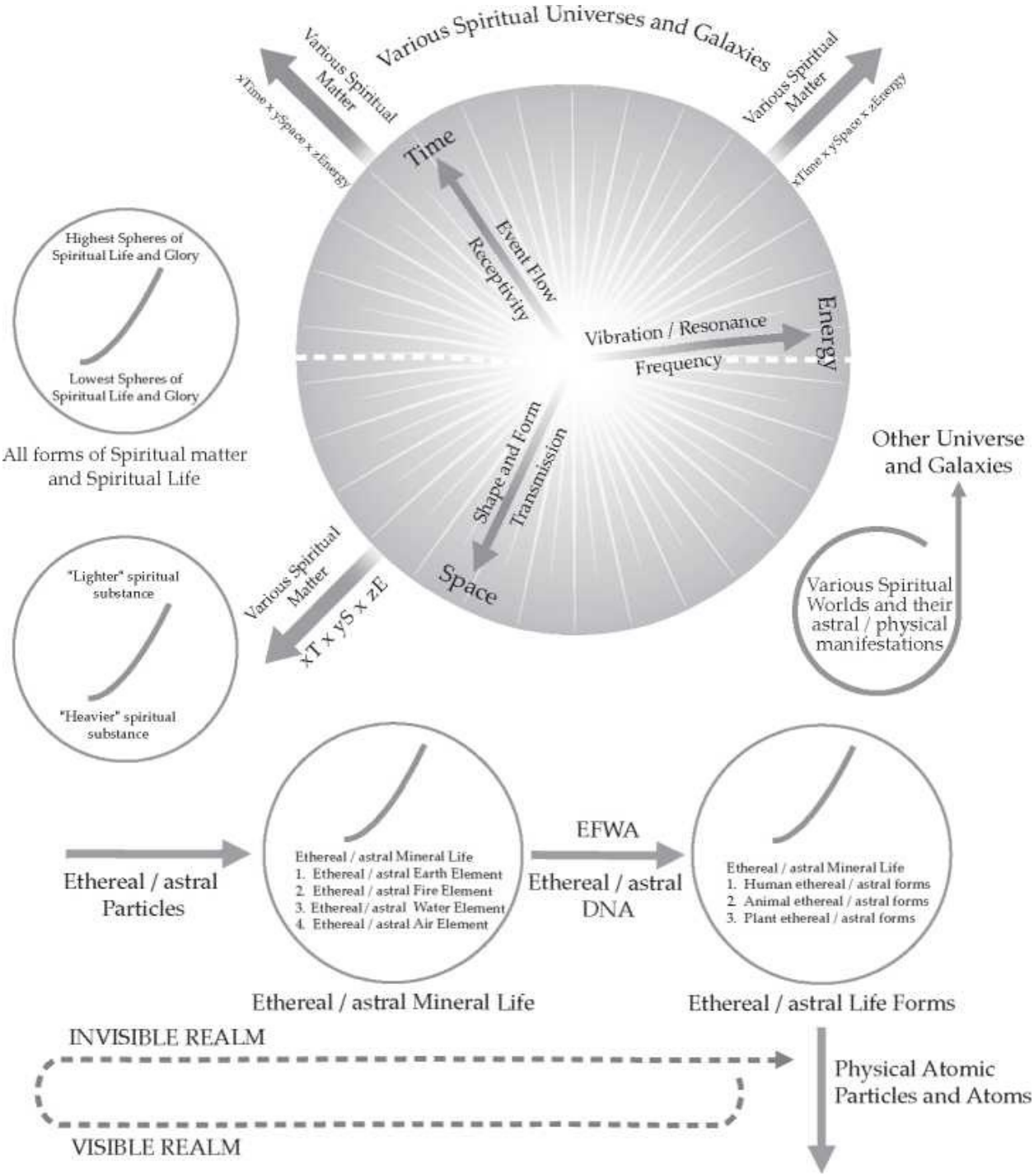
The Jewish philosopher, Maimonides, speaks of the four elements of fire, water, earth and air as the foundation of the form (golem) of all things. In almost all the different philosophies of the earth's different cultures, there is an aspect of understanding, passed on from ancient days, of the astral elements and life-force. Most of it has been corrupted through the years and modern science has dethroned these philosophies as the error of ancient times before the atomic particles of matter were discovered. However, as modern science explores the realm of the spiritual, mental and sub-atomic forces of matter there will arise a need to re-examine the physical laws of physics and include a study of the laws of ethereal/astral physics.

(The following Diagram 5 is below)

A great number of unexplained phenomena in the physical world that defy the natural laws of physics are operating on the higher laws of ethereal/astral physics. The Hado effect (discovered by Dr Masaru Emoto) of water molecules through thoughts and words is caused by the effect of thoughts upon the ethereal/astral element of water. Sometimes individuals are bom with a certain constituency of their ethereal/astral form having an effect upon certain mineral life through psycho-kinesis.

The seeming materialisation of things from the spiritual realm is done merely by those who have acquired skills to manipulate the ethereal/astral realm. The magicians of Egypt tried unsuccessfully to come against Moses through materialising snakes from their rods (Exodus 7:12). Evil spirits use the random and idle creations of human thoughts in the astral realm to try to frighten people through a measure of materialisation. Without the use of astral forms and energy released by humans, spirits cannot have any effect on the physical realm. The only exception is God and spirits of the highest spheres who possess knowledge in how to manipulate the astral elements and cells to create a physical effect or to manifest in material form.

Sometimes whole communities are "held strongly" by a certain thought pattern and fear. In doing so they produce a "strong" astral form of fear over their community which seems to take a life of its own. The astral form of fear "seems" to have a life of its own because it is being fed by the fear energy of the community.



All forms of Physical Elements

Physical Life Physical DNA of the Periodic Table

Diagram 5: A simplified picture of the Creation of Spiritual and Physical Matter

It seems to suck the life energy out of every new person who comes to the community At other times, individuals surround themselves with astral forms that torment themselves, feeding off their own energy. The worst cases "see things" which nobody else sees - these are merely the astral forms that they themselves have produced.

Evil spirits are able to manipulate these negative astral forms and energy to affect the natural world through weather, "natural" disasters, or some materialising that causes harm to humans. The manifestation of new forms of sicknesses and diseases are also part of the work of these evil spirits. In the spiritual world, the simplest desire or free choice of a person not to be tormented by such negative emotions or thoughts causes a spiritual force shield around the person and his family or property that no astral form nor any evil spirit can penetrate. It is like a shield of fire around them.

Ethereal/Astral Realm - Ethereal/Yetzer realm

Probably the best description of the ethereal/astral realm in the Bible is to call it the "ethereal/yetzer" realm. It is the realm where the "imaginations" of men are a reality in the invisible realm which will manifest in the material realm. God told Moses to write a song of warning and reminder to the Israelites because He could see into their yetzer and knew that it would be a definite manifestation in their future that they would rebel against Him and He desired that they would turn back to Him when that event occurred (Deuteronomy 31:21).

The flood of Noah was sent not just because of the acts of evil men but also because of the yetzer of evil men, which would have manifested physically (Genesis 6:5). Yetzer has been translated as "frame" and "thing made" in the Bible (Psalm 103:14; Isaiah 29:16). The astral form is the "frame" for the material body. The worlds were framed by the Word of God (Hebrews 11:3). Before our material body was made, our "frame" or ethereal/astral form was created first (Psalms 139:15 - Amplified Bible translates the depths of the earth as a region of darkness and mystery - which could easily refer to the Ethereal/astral sphere).

There are many differing concepts of the astral realm among the various occult religions and some of their concepts contradict one another. The true ethereal/astral plane is the lowest ethereal substance realm that is parallel to the earth and it is the realm that is the ethereal/astral blue print for all things created

in the natural realm (Romans 1:20; 2 Corinthians 4: 18; Hebrews 11:3). The material DNA (ACGT nucleotides) that is the fabric of natural life has its counterpart in the "ethereal/astral DNA" (EFWA ethereal/astral elements), which is the invisible substance counterpart to physical DNA.

All the above descriptions and classifications of the dimensions of the Spirit World are merely my feeble human attempt to describe in earthly language that which was seen and experienced. The dimensions are real and true but my descriptions of them may be imperfect: there is a dimension of God (beyond time, space and energy), dimensions of the Spiritual World with all its various spheres of light which enclose the dark spheres, a dimension of an ethereal/astral state that is parallel to the material world (which I have called the ethereal/astral or ethereal/yetzer sphere), and the dimension of the physical world from the spiritual viewpoint. Thus my definition of the ethereal/astral sphere differs from others; it is merely a necessary realm that frames the material world and all physical life.

Animals

There are four different levels of life: mineral life, plant life, animal life (includes insects in our definition) and human life. All life proceeds from God but only man has spiritual life. Animals have a measure of soul life. It is through this soul life that Balaam's donkey was able to remember events and communicate (Numbers 22:23-33). When an animal dies, its soul becomes part of the animals in the spheres. The animals, plants and minerals of the spiritual world are more glorious than on this earth.

For a human spirit, the astral body is just another body like the physical body and it is separate from its spiritual life. Spirit life, unlike astral life (which dissipates into the astral atmospheric sphere) does not dissipate or die. Its qualities are turned into darkness or glory according to the free will and growth of the spirit. Thus a human spirit "occupies" an astral body and a material body on the planet earth.

All that we see around us is created from the invisible spiritual realm (Hebrews 11:3; 2 Corinthians 4:18; Romans 1:20). All the matter of the physical earth is created from spiritual forces and continues to be sustained from the spiritual realm. The spiritual forces of energy that created physical matter continue to radiate with a spiritual glow. The life force that is in the spiritual realm is of

course much greater than that of the physical earth. In the spiritual world of light, everything glows with spiritual life, even the rocks and minerals of the spiritual sphere. In comparison, although all physical matter is originally made from spiritual forces, it is dull compared to that of the spiritual world.

1. Animals are not exactly like us humans. Humans have spirits, souls and bodies. Animals only have a soul and a body. The Hebrew word for 'soul' is 'nephesh' and has been used for animals in Genesis 1:21, 24; 2:19; 9:10, 15. 16 (translated *creature)',* in Genesis 9:4-5 (translated *life);* in Leviticus 11:46; 24:18 (translated *animal).* The soul consists of the will, the emotions and the intellect - of which animals have a small measure. Animal souls are, of course, not equivalent to the highly developed souls of human beings but they do have some small capacity.

Different species have different capacities and some within the same species have developed a greater capacity than others. Balaam's donkey was given the capacity of human speech briefly to communicate; and whether it communicated to humans or not, it already had the capacity of intelligence (it reasons with Balaam - Numbers 22:28), the capacity for memory (it remembers its history with Balaam - Numbers 22:30), and some level of spiritual world capacity (it could see the angel - Numbers 22:23, 25, 27). The donkey was also very protective of Balaam before he got beaten. Animals through their animal soul have capacities for communication, affection, intelligence and will.

2. Animals were designed to be part of the fellowship with mankind. God gave Adam all the animals but from them were none found equal to him, thus He made Eve (Genesis 2:18-22). However, that does not diminish the fact that the animals were part of the companionship and fellowship that God made for man because he was alone (Genesis 2:18-19). Animals do provide good companionship and fellowship to mankind although not to the level that a man and a woman can have with one another when they are brought together by God in holy matrimony. This fellowship of the animal kingdom with the human world is restored in the millennium (Isaiah 11:6-9).

3. Part of the attribute of righteousness is measured in the way we treat animals. A righteous man regards the life of his animal but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel (Proverbs 12:10). Also remember that animals have been used in the service of God's kingdom in their unique capacity, too: Elisha and the ravens (1 Kings 17:6), Jonah and the whale (Jonah 1:17 - 2:10), Jesus and the

donkey - a prophesied event (Matthew 21:1-11). The animal kingdom has demonstrated sensitivity to the plan of God and has been obedient to being used as God required.

4. Animals are present in the spiritual world: Elijah and the fiery chariots with fiery horses (2 Kings 2:11), Elijah and the chariots and horses of fire (2 Kings 6:17), Jesus and the white horse (Revelation 19:11). Animals are present in all the various heavenly spheres and the animals of the highest spheres are greater in glory than the animals of the lower spheres; this could be subject to two possible interpretations - that either the animals are created separately in different spheres of glory or that the animals do progress in their animal sphere glory of usefulness. In the Spiritual World, animal souls can be seen going from the earth into the realms of paradise in the heavenly spheres.

2 Activities in the Spiritual World

The Schools of Music

All music in the heavenly spheres has sound, shape and colour. There are many, many schools in the Spirit World in each sphere. In the school of music, students study the music of various types. There are those who specialise in composition. Others specialise in orchestral music. Still others study ecclesiastical music and many other forms of music unknown to us. The music of the spheres reaches beyond all the sounds known to earth and the best symphonies of Beethoven and Mozart are like child compositions when compared to the music of the spheres. There are various progressive schools of music through each sphere rising higher and higher in refinement and quality as the glory of the spheres increases.

In the buildings of heaven, the buildings and plants have a harmony which is absent on the earth. Buildings are not just built, they are "grown" and emanate a presence; and the plants around the building also emanate a presence which harmonize together like a song or a melody. There are studies in music that are beyond this world: studies in the creation of instruments of music, studies in the effect of music on various spiritual substances, souls or spirits, studies in the relationship of music and the various glory it brings forth, studies dedicated to singing, studies in spirit composition, studies in transmission through the various spheres, and many others which are not imaginable on this earth.

There are also those who create compositions and another group who specialise in transmitting them to those who are able to receive them on the earth. There is no "hurriedness" in any of the works but great and patient care is taken on every detail. Most of the best music of earth have come from those angelic spirits who have "gifted" them to those who are sensitive to receive them. Unfortunately, not all the music of the earth have arisen from these bright realms; there are those that come to earth via the realms of darkness. Its original source was from God but its true tone, energy and colour has been refracted through dark spirits and changed before being received by those humans living in darkness. All music has its original source flowing from the heart of God but becomes changed uniquely as it flows through the spirits that receive them.

The concerts in heaven have more harmonies in voice and music than there are on the earth. Not only are there harmonies of sounds in pitches which earthly ear

has not heard but also harmonies of light and life that is displayed when the music is played. The symphonies are such that you cannot tell one instrument from another; everything becomes a swell of harmonious waves of colours, lights and sounds with the manifested hues of glory. It not only brings great pleasure but it also invigorates and fills the listener with life and energy.

Plants, animals, clothing, buildings, air, water and all spirits radiate hues of colours in symphony with the music played. It is a transforming presence that results. All life in the heavenly spheres vibrates with music and life. The worship and singing of each sphere is more sublime the higher the spheres. Even though the music of the lowest sphere is already greater in quality than the earth's, the music of each successive sphere is greater in quality than the one lower. Each sphere has its own unique music, tint of colour and clothing according to the various characters, blend of minds, knowledge or wisdom of its inhabitants. When we visit a different sphere, the atmosphere, colour and music of the particular sphere begins to affect our own beings and clothing and we are transformed within and without by the uniqueness of the sphere we visit. We immediately feel the special graces of that particular sphere and sense the oneness with those who dwell there.

The Schools of Science

The schools of science in the higher spheres study the application and creation of substances and matter specific to each sphere. There are laws that govern the operation of spiritual matter as there are in natural matter. This includes not just the creation of buildings but also of plants and trees related to the building. There are those who study and teach others of these laws and those who apply and guide others in the application of these laws in the creation of buildings and homes for those of the lower spheres. The mysteries of the Universe are studied in the schools of science. There are some who specialise in imparting a small measure of the knowledge of the science of the material world to those on earth who have a leaning towards this area. All the great discoveries of science and mathematics on the earth have been the work of these spirits.

The sophistication of the level of science is such that those spirits who are inclined towards this area are trained to exercise power over the very essence of spiritual atomic matter. As an allegory, imagine what it is like to build a car one atom at a time manipulating the very quarks within the protons and neutrons. At such levels no instrument suffices. It is the pure exercise of thought and will

over matter. Imagine how perfect it would have been to build something one atom at a time.

Some of those in these schools become the "architects" of the spiritual realm. Others study the various lights and glory of God and its life impartation on various elements plus combinations of these forces. The higher the spheres, there is more differentiation of the spiritual substances in their various sublime forms. The purity of thought, character, will and emotions are very important in creation because the handiwork created takes on the very same characteristics of its builder.

Growing of Mansions

The mansions of the various spheres of heaven are "built" by techniques far beyond our capacity. In a sense, they are not "built" as they are "grown". Let me give an example. Being curious about things of science and construction by nature, I was given an understanding of how the mansions were "constructed." The task of "building" mansions is always given to angels and spirits of the higher sphere for those of the lower sphere. A group of them would gather together under the leadership of a spirit of the highest sphere at the place where the mansion is to be "built." They would receive the impartation and energizing life from God and using their will and thoughts project it towards the place where the mansion is to be created.

At first the foundation would be laid, then the walls and towards the end the leader would complete the roof and the finishing touches. The spiritual substance would, in a mysterious way, somehow also be taken from the spiritual emanations from the future dweller of the mansion and also from all those involved in its "construction" or more accurately "growing." The completed mansion takes the colour, character and uniqueness of all those involved in its creation.

It is the law of the spiritual world that all that one creates or does flows forth with the character and impartation of the creator or doer. As each angel and spirit is unique, there are no two mansions that are alike. Each has its own unique flavour and light. God could just speak or think and everything would just be created in the heavens but it is the joy and pleasure of the Father God that His angels and redeemed spirits take part in this delegated work. Not all spirits are involved in this area, only those that have an interest in architecture and creation

of buildings. Other redeemed spirits may be involved in music or worship. The tasks are quite intricately divided with some specialising in heavenly furniture, others in gardens, plants and trees.

Light to the Planet Earth

There are those angels and spirits who take part under the command of the Lord Jesus who become bearers of light towards the earth. This is done through a coordinated effort in which as a group, they become channels and enhancers of the light of Christ into the dark spheres by descending in a multi-sphere formation towards the darkness that surrounds the earth. The light of Jesus flows into them in a similar way in which light flows through an optic fibre cable and is enhanced at regular points onwards towards its destination. When this takes place it causes spiritual pressure upon the dark forces surrounding the earth as it is compressed downwards. Due to this compressed spiritual pressure, the darkness breaks upon the earth and at first, great evil seems to be released upon the earth that affects mankind and causes great suffering in wars, catastrophes, etc.

Although darkness seems to reign on the earth it is only temporary. The angels and spirits involved feel the suffering of mankind and have great love for humanity but they know that this is a necessary phase. Eventually due to this spiritual pressure of light upon the darkness of the earth, openings occur in the darkness surrounding the earth and the light breaks through to shine steadfastly upon humans living on the earth. This light leads mankind towards spirituality and brings man God-ward towards Christ. These events in the spiritual realm take place regularly and each event can be (in human terms) over several centuries with the ripples being felt over scores of years like waves of change in the human field of science, politics, religion, economics, etc. Note the wave of great evil and suffering that occurred before the exodus and before Jesus' incarnation (Exodus 1:8-16; Matthew 2:16-18).

The Revelation of God

Even in the heavens, all the creation of God from the lowest spheres to the highest spheres are seeking to know God and to love Him. Every sphere has schools, universities and places of God's manifestation, each learning and seeking to understand our Awesome God. As true knowledge of God is acquired, a glory transformation occurs to those who understand that particular level of

knowledge. In billions of earth years, the highest spheres that have pre-existed planet earth are still coming to the knowledge of God.

There is so much to know of God that all the languages of humans are incapable of expressing who He really is. Even the word "God" is insufficient to express who He is. He is truly omnipresent, omnipotent and omniscient but when we use the word "person" to refer to God it is an incomplete description because God is beyond time, beyond space, beyond energy and beyond "person." He is the source, the creator and the sustainer of all life - all of our being and existence are in Him. He is the Supreme Being our Father God.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the manifestation of the Supreme Being our Father God in time, space and energy in person simultaneously to all His creations (all of the Spiritual Universe) - so that all His creations can relate to God. Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Supreme Being our Father God are one. The Holy Spirit is the manifestation of the Supreme Being our Father God who "fills," "sustains," and "is" all time, all space and all energy. The Holy Spirit and the Supreme Being our Father God are one. Thus our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are one. We can understand why for eternities, we will be learning and growing in knowing God.

Chains of Blessings

There is an interesting phenomenon in the Spiritual World whereby angels and spirits in the highest spheres closest to God receive the life and light of God and pass it downwards through each sphere. There are no human words to describe it. It is like a "refraction" of light and life through the beings in the highest spheres downwards. But this life energy that goes through each of these beings is somehow enhanced and changed according to the characteristics of each being. Thus although it is the same light and energy it now has an added "flavour" as it is transmitted to the spirits in the next sphere.

This work and activity is very specific and each partaking of the life, love and light of God is exactly for the one receiving it and is passed on specifically to the spirits of which they are in charge. This flows down the line (without getting weaker) through all the spheres until it reaches the earth sphere and downwards towards the planet earth. Some of these are commands and expressions of God's Will which are communicated in ways which each sphere can receive and understand; thus the need to pass on through the various spirits or angels in

charge as the higher sphere is always invisible to those lower. They can also be gifts and strengthenings that are imparted to enhance and increase the transformation towards the glory of God.

As each sphere is still growing and has its limitation of glory and understanding, it relies on those in the higher sphere to communicate and clarify the outflows of God's life, love and light from His throne. The last one in this chain of blessing is usually the human on planet earth who receives it from his guardian angels and ministering spirits. Perhaps this was the phenomenon observed when our Lord Jesus was speaking to the angels of the seven churches in the book of Revelation (Chapters 2 and 3). This does not mean that God could not have manifested Himself through Christ directly to an individual. He does so from time to time. This activity is just one of the multiple processes of delightful work in heaven which God allows His creation to partake in.

Transition Places

Although there are many spheres in the Spiritual World, there are particular spheres which seem to be an important demarcation realm. For example, the nearest heavenly spheres to the earth are those which have a semblance of earth life (language, buildings, styles, etc.) but as one ascends into the higher glory, there is a place where earth-like styles are almost nil and when one crosses over that particular sphere or place it is like entering another grouping of glory spheres. At this place there are usually special buildings that monitor all the groups of spheres below it and also function as transition points for all those of the spheres above.

These transition points are very important as they have a dual function: a training ground for those who are ready to grow higher to the next grouping of spheres and a transmission station for those from higher spheres who, because of the greatness of their sublime nature and glory, use these stations to send blessings, communications and inspirations to specific individuals in the lower spheres.

One could ask why the spirits in the higher spheres do not come down directly if they want to impart to those lower; these are just one of the many activities of heaven instead of direct visitations. Also these places are used by those of higher spheres to adjust their glory to the lower realms before they proceed lower. There are many more universities and facilities in these transition places than in

other spheres. These special places provide facilities for even spirits and angels of the highest spheres, whose glory is so bright that it might normally distress those of lower spheres, to interact with those there. There are also facilities for those of the lowest spheres to be able to be "protected" by enhancing from these facilities to interact with those from the highest spheres. The Lord Jesus, accompanied by a host of beings of the highest spheres, also manifests in various high states of glory which He otherwise could not in other spheres.

Ministry to Humans on the Earth

Many humans think that when we graduate with a degree or doctorate or skill that we have achieved something. Or when we come into a position of power or are given great wealth that it is a great achievement. From the Spiritual World viewpoint, these are not achievements; rather they are just like a "driver's licence" that give us a greater potential to be of service to all of humanity. There are many ministering angels involved in creating these "opportunities" for us. Sadly, when a human receives these greater opportunities, they think that it is their own achievement of honour, and they start squandering their opportunity in selfishness and licentiousness.

Many of these ministering angels work in teams creating open doors that lead from one level to another until we are "qualified" with an opportunity or position to be a blessing to all humanity. Different ministering angels work with us at different times of our age from babyhood, childhood, teenage to adulthood. Also angels specialising in different wisdoms and skills create specific opportunities and open doors for us to receive promotions or favour (Psalm 75:6; Daniel 2:21). When the human involved remains humble and retains a pure heart to serve, some of the highest angels with great power unite themselves with the spirit of the human and are able to achieve great things that cause good and righteous waves to flow and affect the whole planet.

Ministry to the Lowest Spheres of the Intermediate Realm

There are many and varied schools established in the Lowest Intermediate Spheres. These minister to those spirits that are earthbound and remain dazed in the realms between the earth's crust and the Intermediate Realm. These schools range from new mission outreaches to highly developed cities (especially if they have been established over the many centuries of earth's history. For those that are established longer - thousands of earth years - they are like countries).

Each of these schools (or countries) is as different as the many countries of the earth directly below them.

There are many similarities and styles of culture of each city and country to the earthly country below them. This is not done because of the need to retain any ethnic or style of culture in the spiritual realm, rather they serve to address the weaker spirits' comfort as they are still growing out from their old earthly ways. In the Spirit World they are also given different names according to the spiritual leaders in charge of these schools.

Some of them are like hospitals and clinics that help and strengthen the weak spirits that are arriving without much preparation for the Spiritual World. (Of course, they do not use the earthly instruments or tools but rather they use spiritual impartations and teaching to strengthen these weak spirits). It is in these realms where the spirits are so weak that there are even transportation systems within these cities and countries (Of course, they are powered by spiritual means). All the manifestations in these places are merely for the weak and earthbound spirits who still think and act as if they have physical bodies. Higher spirits have no need of such manifestations.

The design of these realms is very much earth-like without the limitations of earthly physical laws. As in every place, there are places of prayer to seek God's help, gardens, buildings, etc. but of a much lesser glory. Many spirits of the higher realms come to these places especially when they need to aid their loved ones who are still trapped in the earthbound area. These spheres are like mission fields to higher spirits and new mission fields are constantly being formed to bring more spiritual light to these realms.

Most of the humans who live in the physical earth visit these realms in their dreams (in their spirits) for spiritual correction and spiritual re-tuning especially when their lives are getting more drawn into the things of the physical world. If they pay heed to their spiritual dreams, their spirits and souls would be able to remain free from the gravitational pull of the flesh and thus remember and fulfil their original mission and task on earth (Job 33:14-18).

There are also many scientific schools in these realms which specialize in bringing forth the inventions of the spiritual realm into the physical realm. A number of these spiritual to physical knowledge transfers take place from these realms in the dream life of the humans of earth. Other transfers take place

through the sub-conscious minds of those more spiritually minded. Except for the higher spirits who serve in these realms, spirits who are still growing in these realms do not see nor hear those of the higher realm.

Love the Sustenance of All Life

In these lowest of Intermediate realms, spirits sustain themselves by the fruits or grains that are grown in the fields. They are still in the process of learning that spirits can live and be sustained by God's love alone. The spiritual food imparts spiritual energy into them. Through time they understand that the energy provided by God's love that shines through all His creations is the life force that sustains all life. Even when on the physical earth we have an allegory. Plants and trees receive their life from the sun, then the animals eat the plants and humans in turn eat both plants and animals. Indirectly it is all through the physical light of the sun. In a similar way, the souls of all humans are sustained by love.

When we receive or experience love, strength enters into our spirits and souls which keep us going. Ultimately, it is the love of God in Christ that sustains all of us but some humans cannot relate directly to the invisible Christ and depend on the love of other humans (who have tapped directly or indirectly upon true self-sacrificing love). Every time we impart love, we are imparting life to those receiving our love. This is the lesson that if not learned here on the physical plane, will have to be learned in the lowest Intermediate realm. Spirits, who have not learned to receive and to give this true love, find that they need to eat spiritual food to sustain themselves.

In the highest spheres, the fruits of the glorious trees are eaten not out of necessity for sustenance but for spiritual pleasure and impartations. Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God (Matthew 4:4). God is love and every word that He speaks and all of His words are summed up in His love for us. We live by God's love to us directly and God's love to us indirectly through others. In Him is life and His life is the light to all men (John 1:3, 4).

Examples of some ministry work in the Lowest realms

In some of these lowest Intermediate realm hospitals there are many who have lived their lives without preparation for the Spiritual World. Many of them are prominent business people, professionals and leaders who gave no thought to the

afterlife. Those who thought that they would cease to exist after physical death remain in a nightmarish stupor barely holding on to the smallest of spiritual life that is still in them. They are placed in wards with beds and are daily ministered to by the spirits who serve here. The serving spirits would place their hands on them or wave their hand over them imparting spiritual strength and nourishment.

These spirits who have been so careful to provide themselves with physical comfort and luxuries have not taken time during their lives to provide for themselves spiritually. They lie groaning and moaning, temporal physical millionaires but spiritual paupers for all eternity. Others lie in a comatose state refusing to believe that they still live on in the spirit realm. All of them have their minds, emotions and thought patterns poisoned by their lifetime of worldliness and fleshly ways. Their spiritual bodies look diseased and malnourished. If only they had used their great wealth, power and resources for spiritual good both for themselves and for others around them.

Others are so tied to their earthly habits of thinking and have earthly emotions linked to physical people or things on the earth that they are like mentally deranged people in a mental ward. They struggle with the illusions and passions of physical life created by their own thought and emotional life. Foul smells and disharmonious atmospheres fill these wards. The role of the ministering spirits here is to help remove these disharmonies from the atmosphere emitted by these sick spirits (by their thought emanations) through prayer and love.

These spirits are so contorted that they are not even capable of hearing heavenly music that would soothe and heal their souls. They have to be taught the most basic of spiritual things like small infants. When they are recovered, many of these would in turn serve others. Spirits who live in these realms do not have the spiritual capacities to communicate via thought and rely on spiritual devices (inventions of the spiritual realm) to communicate. Many of the physical earthly inventions came from devices invented in these realms because these realms do have their limitations similar to the limitations of the physical bodies on earth (although not as gross as the physical world).

Many of the spirits here still look old and aged but these "bodily forms" are merely versions of the "uglier forms" of the dark spheres. They are sufficiently redeemed to be present in these realms but not sufficiently spiritually

developed to take on the youthful heavenly forms of the higher spheres. As they grow and develop and ascend to the higher spheres, they will lose these "earthly looking aged" forms and take on the true spiritual forms.

3 The Free Will of Man

Almost all of the things that happen to a human life are through their own free will no matter how many external causes or currents are taking place in the environment into which they are born. It is not necessarily caused by free will action but can also be caused by free will of thought. Not just in the sense of a fleeting thought which impinges upon a mind but rather a thought that is accepted and becomes part of the soul life and thought pattern of the individual life.

Predestination and Free Will

All actions have a cause and effect - a sowing and reaping for its doer (besides affecting the lives of those around them). All thoughts that are accepted into one's thought pattern and character attract forces that control the circumstances around the individual life. Dark thoughts attract dark forces and bright thoughts attract good forces. Thus the real battle in life is to choose both the right actions and the right thoughts (2 Corinthians 10:3-6). Both actions and thoughts have a cause and effect in this life and in the next life.

The spiritual forces of God cannot help us by replacing our need to take responsibility and do the best we can in our circumstances. People who think that they do not have to do anything but rely on God and angelic help alone do not receive the help they need from the Spirit World. They expect all the work to be done for them. Angels distance themselves from such individuals until they realise that they are responsible to exercise their free will and put in the best effort they can before help is given from the Spirit World.

It is when an individual has done the best he knows how with the little strength and knowledge that God has provided that angelic help is given to help them further. The Holy Spirit was sent as our Helper and not as our servant (John 14:16). Angels are sent to minister to us when we have used our best efforts with a pure heart of reliance on God (Mark 1:13; Luke 22:43).

Man must keep exercising the force of his free will to do God's will even when he has a destiny to fulfil. The forward motion of the planet earth causes a centrifugal force and the gravitational pull of the sun causes a centripetal force. Both these forces work in harmony to produce a stable orbit of the earth

around the sun. The free will of man exercises a centrifugal force while predestination exercises a centripetal force over a human life. If there is no centrifugal force the earth will crash into the sun; similarly, if man does not exercise his free will, predestination is of no benefit to his life. If there is no centripetal force, the earth would be thrown into the darkness of space; similarly, without walking in the path of his predestination, a man's life would be thrown into darkness.

Foresight and Precognition

The Spiritual World is able to see the end result of every action and thought. The lowest sphere of light is able to see less into the future than those of the higher spheres. Ultimately, only God who is above all sees all and knows all things past, present and future. Spirits of the higher spheres can see some of the possible culmination of actions and thoughts upon the earth and are directed by God to guide and influence the world towards the right path without violating the free will of man.

Angels and spirits serving God are directed in advance through the foreknowledge of God into positions and places ready for the occurrence of the event months or years before they occur to direct the human lives towards their destinies against adversity and unfavourable circumstances. Sometimes these events are revealed to humans on earth through visions, dreams or a revelation in their spirits.

Pre-existence of our spirits

In Ephesians 1:4, Paul speaks about God choosing us before the foundation of the world. There are two possible extreme interpretations without contradicting the Bible: that we existed in the mind of God before we were created at conception via the union of sperm and ovum or that we had some sort of conscious existence before our earthly existence. There could be other explanations in between these two by differing the timing of our creation.

Psalms 139:6 implies that we had some form of "substance" before we had an earthly "form." God told Jeremiah that before he was formed in the womb that He knew him (Jeremiah 1:5). Traditional understanding has always given us the "idea" that we were created at conception but Scriptures seem to point to a type of pre-existence before we were formed in the womb. The quality or type of

existence that we have before our formation in the womb is open for theological discussion - without contradicting the Bible. It would not be wrong if one were to interpret it as a full-fledged existence as spirits in the Spiritual Universe of God.

For those who do accept the pre-existence of our spirits before coming to this earth, there are interesting lines of thoughts to pursue. One of which is that before coming to this earth we had some knowledge or choice in coming to this earth being made aware of our mission and tasks for this earth. God would, of course, first reveal to us His perfect will, destiny and plan for our lives (Ephesians 1:4; Romans 8:29-30). We would then have free choice within the realm of His destiny in mapping out the personal choices and routes that we would like to take under the guidance of God and His angels.

There is a twofold goal: one is to take on the challenge of living this life with all its trials and challenges to further our spiritual growth in the Spiritual Universe of God and secondly, to take on a mission or task to help fulfil the Will of God for the people we encounter - making a positive contribution to mankind and society.

In coming to this earth, all knowledge of our pre-existence was taken away except for some events that we had foreseen that will take place and bring a sense of "recognition" (deja vu) - like we have been there before. (This is not the only cause of deja vu, there are many other causes; for example, the picking up of another spirit or person's thoughts from a different time or dimension, etc.). These precognition events are locked in our spirits and come to the surface of consciousness when the events occur like milestone markers telling us that we are on track.

No matter how tough times seem to be or how hard the road, we need to remember that we have chosen the road to travel for our own spiritual growth. And God has provided sufficient strength and grace for every mountain that confronts us (1 Corinthians 10:13). Do not envy others who seem to have it easy in life - they might have chosen an easier road with less spiritual growth benefits than you. Also remember that God has guided you in your choice and will never allow or permit you to choose that which He knows you are not capable to perform. If you search on the inside of your spirit, you will always find the grace and strength that God gives you to overcome every mountain. The reason that you do not seem to receive help is because there is too much noise on your

inside (in your soul). Meditate and be still on your inside. Let the peace of God fill you and you will receive clearly in your spirit (not necessarily in words or thoughts) the strength and grace to proceed further.

The Flow of Thoughts

I was given to understand that ALL our thoughts are influenced by the Spiritual World ALL the time. They are either being influenced by the forces of darkness or by the forces of light. This is the spiritual warfare that Paul speaks about (2 Corinthians 10:4-5). When we have inspirational thoughts that lift us up, we owe the credit to God and His ministering spirits who impart the spiritual energy into our lives. On the other hand when negative and evil thoughts crowd our minds, we have got into the wrong "flow of thoughts." We need to learn to yield to the flow of thoughts. We need to learn to yield to the mind of Christ (1 Corinthians 2:16).

Thoughts are received and processed in our souls and not in our physical brain. Our brain is only the control centre of the physical realm through which our soul expresses itself. People who are "brain dead" (no brain electrical activity) and are brought back to life can sometimes remember all the activities at the time of their "clinical death" when their spirits and souls are OBE (Out of Body) watching the particular activities around them. Since there is no physical brain activity, it shows that "memories" are stored in the unseen realm of the soul. The soul in turn is only the receiving and processing centre for thoughts in the same manner as the physical eye is the receiving and processing centre for physical light. Our understanding is sometimes likened to "eyes" because of this reason; for example, the eyes of our understanding (Ephesians 1:17,18).

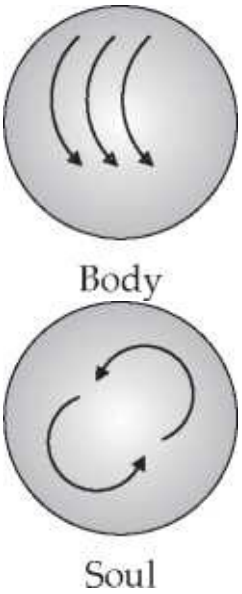
The source of all thoughts is in the realm of the spirit world, which our spirits are in contact with. There is a divine flow of wisdom energy that flows from God and is transmitted to us through the Holy Spirit and ministering spirits. This flow is not in a "known human language" which our soul has acquired but the essence of thought (which is like a spiritual light - the Spirit of wisdom and revelation produces "light" in the understanding - Ephesians. 1:17, 18). Our soul converts this thought flow into human language in our minds and we experience thinking and the thought process.

The thought flow from God is full of love and peace. We are stimulated to think positive inspirational thoughts and ideas that help us in our daily life. Evil spirits

try to impress their thought flow to us which stir up sinful and wrong thoughts. The secret of the permanently peaceful and joyful Christian life is learning to be continuously tuned to the divine flow of thoughts from God. I have seen the divine flow of light that constantly streams down from God towards the earth through His angels and ministering spirits bearing gifts and ideas that could bring great blessing to the receiver and to mankind in general: inventions, ideas and powerful concepts, which are there for those who are open to receive them, if they are open to that flow of thoughts. All a person has to do is make a decision, in his heart and in his will, to be open to help from the invisible spiritual realm.

Practicing the Presence of God

God is Spirit and one needs to be spirit-conscious in order to be aware of the presence of God (John 4:24). The essence of meditation is to be able to move our state of consciousness from the soul-body realm into the spirit realm, thus contacting the Spirit World. The basics of Christianity like praying in the Spirit, worship, meditation on the Word, prayer, etc. help to bring one into this spiritual state of consciousness. It is not just important to be able to achieve spiritual consciousness but it is also essential to maintain it. It is possible to be spiritually conscious of the presence of God twenty-four hours every day (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Galatians 6:18; 2 Corinthians 13:14; John 4:14; 14:16-18; 15:11; 16:22).



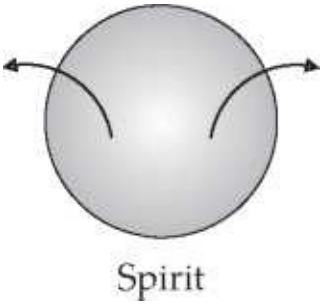


Diagram 6: Three possible states of thought patterns and consciousness

As we are tripartite creatures (spirit, soul and body), we have the ability to be conscious of three realms(1 Thessalonians 5:23). The first and lowest consciousness is to have our thoughts and consciousness filled constantly with the animal passions of the flesh - body consciousness. Humans who live this way are pulled into the darkness of the spiritual sphere when they leave their physical bodies. As in Diagram 6 above, the thoughts are constantly pulled down by the gravitational forces of sensuality and animalism.

The second type of consciousness is soul consciousness, where the thoughts constantly revolve around the things of this life. Worry, anxiety and all other thoughts that concern themselves with this temporal life generate from the soul. Jesus tells us not to live our lives in such a manner (Matthew 6:25-34; Philippians 4:6-7). A soul-conscious person is selfish and only thinks of himself or herself. Their whole world circulates around their selfish lives. When they leave their physical bodies, these people also end up in the dark spheres of the Spirit World. Sometimes people also can be "spiritually selfish" for their own lives or for positions in ministry. This is not true spirituality but is soul-consciousness wrapped up as pseudo spirituality. These end up in the cold dark spheres of the Spirit World.

The secret of enjoying the presence of God constantly is to be spirit conscious. Being spirit conscious is not some "airy fairy" concept nor is it a rigour that belongs to the ascetic and the mystic. Everyone can be spiritually conscious and tap on the flow of the presence of God that flows from His throne through all His creation.

From time to time, people have tapped upon this realm briefly without realising it. For example, when you are visiting a place that has natural scenic beauty and are enraptured by it. Or when you are watching a sunset or sunrise and were momentarily caught up in the beauty of the scene. Or when you are walking

along a trail (with your pet dog) and momentarily your thoughts turn away from the affairs of this life and you are enjoying the companionship of your pet and the scenery. The essence of it is to have your thoughts pulled away from your own life and for a brief moment you were "not thinking" but rather were enjoying the "flow of beautiful inspirational thoughts."

As shown in Diagram 6, you have looked outside of yourself and are tapping on the flow of God's presence and thoughts. For a moment, you became aware of the birds singing, the beautiful colours of creation, the sounds of the flowing stream, etc. All creation was made to lead us to God (Romans 1:20). This "brief moment" can be your constant consciousness even though you might be required to perform duties in this temporal world. This is just the beginner's phase and there are depths of spiritual ecstasy to be obtained as one walks in the fullness of God's love.

Sometimes when you feel compassion and empathy with others around you, such that you could be moved to tears or experience great feelings of pure unselfish love, you could be experiencing a moment of spirit consciousness. (The soul has its own empathy but there is always heaviness and a selfishness that also contains other hidden feelings that are not in line with pure love - anger, jealousy, indignation, self-righteousness, etc.). The moment of pure spirit conscious empathy is filled with a lightness and there is also a sense of union and peace with pure holy love that issues from the God who is love (1 John 4:8).

In Kathryn Kuhlman's healing services many people got healed when they stopped thinking about their own needs and started praying for others worse off than themselves. They tapped into the power of the Spirit which is received through their spirits. Kathryn Kuhlman herself described her own spirit consciousness (to be a vessel for God's Spirit to flow through) when she described the sensation of love she felt when she saw a sick child being held by their parents waiting for a touch of healing. She described how at that moment, if she could, she would give her own life to this child.

Sometimes in a moment of human tragedy or need, those who are helping become engrossed in the desire and passion to help others and achieve "super human" abilities. They unknowingly tapped into the flow of spirit consciousness and God's angels and ministering spirits were able to help them do things that they normally could not do. Spirit consciousness can also be called "love

consciousness" - by love we mean the unselfish self-sacrificing love of God.

In the Spirit World, one does not think of oneself alone but is constantly conscious of the love of God, the love present in all His creation and the love one feels for others. There is always a sense of oneness with God and with all His creation in the practice of the presence of God. As you learn, experience and understand what this spirit consciousness is like, you can practice this every day until it is a daily part of your life. When you are practising this and sense a stress or strain, stop, relax and start again. The soul is very subtle and has crept in again. Remember that spirit consciousness is a letting go, a yielding, a rest, a union with God but soul consciousness involves striving, strain and stress. Through time and patience, this state of consciousness becomes your daily life whether in sleep or when awake for your spirit does not sleep but continues in communion with God.

He who has entered into this rest has ceased from his own works (Hebrews 4:10). The achievement of this rest is when the spirit is freed from the soul and the body (even when physically alive) and enters the divine flow of the logos (word) of God which issues from God with life-giving energy (Hebrews 4:12). By choosing spirit consciousness, all the intents and thoughts of our heart can become one and in union with the flow of life and thoughts from God.

We are taught all our lives in this physical world to be self conscious (soul conscious) and body conscious; the opposite is true in the Spirit World. Stop thinking about yourself and start thinking of others. The presence of God is not a "gooey feel-good" state of self consciousness. It is a state of one lost in the love for others - feelings may or may not be there. Many people claim to have some sort of an emotional "gooey feel-good" love for God. This emotional state of being is many times pure soul especially when their so called "love for God" does not lead to them loving others (1 John 3:14; 4:7-8,12,16, 20-21).

It is possible that one experiences emotional states of compassion and empathy as one loves God and others but this is only a "side effect" upon our souls and not to be focused upon. Thank God for our ability to feel but pure spirit and pure love is beyond soul feeling; it is in the realm of the spirit - a sense of union with God. In the Spiritual World, we are taught to love others and be conscious of the needs of others. As we progress in loving others, we progress in the spiritual spheres.

To aid those who desire to spend time developing this spirit consciousness deeper, we include here some guidelines into the art of deep meditation:

1. Being perceptive of the revelation of God through His creation (Romans 1:20).

2. Being perceptive of the beauty of creation and the beauty of holiness (1 Chronicles 16:29; 2 Chronicles 20:21; Psalms 29:2; 96:9).

3. Flowing in heavenly music, sound and songs (2 Chronicles 5:13-14; 2 Samuel 23:1-2; Psalm 150:1-6; Ephesians 5:18-20).

4. Being quiet and still on your inside (Psalms 4:

4; 46:10).

5. Being at rest - spirit separation from soul (Hebrews 4:9-12).

6. Yielding to the energizing of God's love (Galatians 5:6; Romans 5:5; John 15:10; Ephesians 3:17-19; 1 John 2:5; 4:17-19).

7. Union with the being of God - God's love, life and light through Christ (John 17:21-24; 1 Corinthians 1:17; 1 John 5:7-8; John 14:20).

Take time each day immediately after waking (and also before sleeping - Psalm 4:4) to be quiet and listen to your heart. Be in quiet meditation and thought, glorifying God and asking Him sincerely with all your heart to help you to know Him better. And then take time to reflect God's love in any sincere acts or thoughts or words or prayers of kind love to make another person's life happier. This daily exercise of love in our heart, mind, thoughts and actions would gradually turn us from an inward-looking selfish person into an outward-looking loving person who genuinely cares about helping others around us. This would be the first step towards opening our hearts to the Spiritual World.

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God (Matthew 5:8). What is true purity of heart? It is when our heart is exactly like the heart of God. Since God is love (1 John 4:8), we need to be in same dimension of love to see God. Our heart needs to beat at the same frequency in which God exists, in order to see Him in manifestation. The practice of this spirit and love consciousness will enable God and His angels who operate in the frequency of love to make

themselves known and take you beyond this first step into the realities and dimensions of the Spirit World.

The Faith from God

Faith is a powerful force and its exercise throughout the history of the Bible has produced marvellous results (Hebrews 11). Without faith we cannot please God (Hebrews 11:6). It is through faith that the things hoped for are substantiated from the invisible world into the physical material world (Hebrews 11:1). There is however a difference between human belief (human faith) and the faith that is a direct impartation from God. Human faith is merely the activity of the soul whilst the faith that comes forth from God is an impartation in the spirit of man. The faith that is an impartation from God is an energizing by God's love (Galatians 5:6). A person must be at one with this love of God before this faith from God can be energized in his spirit. And the pre-requisite to this energizing is to be spirit conscious.

In various places in the Bible, the translation can be rendered as follows:

Mark 11:22 - Have faith *of/from* God.

Galatians 2:20 - I live by the faith *of/from* the Son of God (i.e.- *of/from* the Son).

Galatians 5:6 - faith *energized* through love (root word - energizing).

Colossians 2:12 - through the faith *of/from* the *energizing of/from* God.

After telling the people that it was not their own power or piety that made the lame man walk, Peter said that it was *the faith which is through Him* (Jesus) which had made the man walk (Acts 3:16).

The Bible speaks about this spiritual energizing from God that enabled all the works of God by His people ***:***

Ephesians 1:19 - the *energizing* of His mighty power.

Ephesians 3:7 - the *energizing* of His power.

Ephesians 4:16 - according to the *energizing* by which every part does its share.

Philippians 3:21 - according to the *energizing* by which He is able to subdue all things to Himself.

Colossians 1:29 - To this end I also labour, striving according to His energy which *energizes* in me mightily.

Colossians 2:12 - through faith from the *energizing* of God.

1 Corinthians 12:6 - And there are diversities of energies but it is the same God who *energizes* all in all.

1 Corinthians 12:11 - But one and the same Spirit *energizes* all these things, distributing to each one individual as He Wills.

Galatians 2:8 - For He who *energizes* in Peter for the apostleship to the circumcised also *energizes* in me toward the Gentiles.

Galatians 3:5 - He who supplies the Spirit to you and *energizes* miracles among you.

Galatians 6:5 - Faith which *energizes* by love.

Ephesians 1:11 - According to the purpose of Him who *energizes* all things according to the counsel of His Will.

Ephesians 3:20 - Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that *energizes* in us.

Philippians 2:13 - For it is God who *energizes* in you both to will and to do for His pleasure.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 - the word of God which also *energizes* in you who believe.

James 5:16 - The *energizing* fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

1 Corinthians 12:10 - to another the *energizing* of miracles.

Hebrews 4:12 - For the word of God is living and *energizing.*

We are being affected from the Spiritual realm all the time. We are either being

energized from the spheres of darkness (Ephesians 2:2) or by God (Philippians 2:13). We need to learn to be spirit conscious in the presence of God's life, love and light in order to tap on the flow of God's energizing power. It is this same energy of God that enables us to exercise the faith energy from God to move mountains and work miracles according to His Will.

The Power of Willing

The energy supplied by God is through the power of His Will (Ephesians 1:11; 1 Corinthians 12:11) which in turn will work through our will (Philippians 2:13) when we are in union with God. Essentially, if our thoughts are influenced 100% of the time by the Spirit World and ALL that we do is energized by the forces of light or by the forces of darkness, our prime earth calling is merely to be vessels of the Spiritual Realm (Acts 9:15; Romans 9:21; 2 Corinthians 4:7; 1 Thessalonians 4:4; 2 Timothy 2:20-21; 1 Peter 3:7).

As all our thoughts, energy and works that are good flow from God's energy, the exercise of the free will of man becomes of prime importance. By deciding which stream of energizing power we yield to, the will releases great creative force. Although God energizes our will (Philippians 2:13), He does not take away our free choice. The act of the will is of great power in the Spirit World.

All that we see of the creations of God (both in this world and in the Spiritual World) are the results of God's creative Will. All the higher beings of the Spirit World exercise their wills in releasing creative forces under the direction of God. The higher the spheres in which the spirit beings live, the greater the power of their will. The exercise of the will is involved in the creation of all the buildings and various works; with the higher spheres being involved (with the power of God) in creating for the lower spheres through their will. This flows from the Will of God upon His throne right down through the various spheres to the planet earth.

Thus the higher spirits are always able to have greater power than the lower spirits and this power of the will is exercised especially when confronting spirits in the dark spheres. This will power manifests like an invisible shield of power and fire around those spirits who exercise it and the spirits of darkness cannot pass through (they experience burning and pain when they try to pass through or contact the shield). The so-called battles between light and darkness in the Spirit World are not fought like physical battles on the earth. The higher spirits of light

easily set boundaries and barriers against the forces of darkness simply by the exercise of their will.

On the planet earth, the free will of man manifests a measure of this ability to create a spiritual shield subject to the spiritual growth and development of the individual. Thus we have authority over evil spirits by the pure exercise of yielding our wills to God and releasing a creative force of will that resists the onslaughts of the enemy and sets boundaries against them (James 4:7, 8; 1 John 5:18). It is like a wall of fire around those who exercise their will power (Job 1:10; Exodus 14:19-20; Proverbs 18:10; 25:28). As one advances against the enemy with the will exercised, it causes the enemy to retreat under pressure of this wall of fire and power. The free will is not merely an ability of free choice in the Spirit World but a great releaser of creative power when the spirit is in tune and in union with the Spirit and Will of God.

Experientially, this "force field" that we have around us is like the peace of God that passes understanding and garrisons our hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-8). The power and ability of this force field is, of course, dependent upon our spirit and love consciousness. People who think that they could exercise this powerful "force field" when their hearts are not right and when their thoughts are not right are deceiving themselves--no such power is emanating from them, and the exercise of their will is futile. On the other hand when it is being exercised by one yielded to God, it is a powerful "force field."

Evil spirits who try to bypass this force field experience pain and burning when they come into contact with it. This force field can be extended to cover all of one's loved ones or anything under one's dominion. When one enters a house and blesses a house, this force field of peace and power can come upon a house (Matthew 10:13). It is this force field that crushes enemy forces under the dominion of God's Will and authority (Romans 16:20). This force field is not just of our own maintenance but it is also wrought through the presence of God's angels encamping around us (Psalms 34:7).

Thought and Character

For those reading this book, I add a reminder here that character is not changed at physical death. A person retains the exact same character in the spiritual world as they had in the natural world. Thus it is important to bring about character change even while on this physical plane. Those who do not believe in another

spiritual existence because of their materialistic mind and those who die suddenly, unprepared for the spiritual world, are often in a dream-like daze to find that they are still alive after physical death.

For the majority of them, they only see darkness (as their spiritual eyes and senses are not yet developed) and are in a semi-conscious state of being. For those whose characters are extremely evil, they are dragged by evil spirits (or gravitate) to the spheres of darkness with evil spirits of the same evil character like them, where they experience torment and torture by other evil spirits.

For those who live according to Romans 2:13-15 (with some measure of unselfishness), they are helped by other spirits in the earth spheres after some time of adjustment to the spirit world. Even so-called Christians who intellectually believe the Bible, but whose lives and character are not changed, are subject to the same treatment according to their true character within themselves - whether good or evil. By their fruit you shall know them (Matthew 7:17-23).

There are many intellectual and traditional Christians who think that they are "saved and deserve heaven" but whose lives are evil and lawless to whom Jesus will say that He does not know them. To them belong the spheres of darkness and torment. If one is truly saved and born again, one's character would change correspondingly (1 John 3:9). This does not mean that one has to be perfect in character but rather that the genuine desire and motivation is now towards Godly love to all; and whenever one falters through imperfection or weakness, one sincerely repents and changes one's life style and habits and keeps practising unselfish, Godly, Christlike love (1 John 1: 9).

Character is built through much persistence in walking in love in the midst of tribulations and trials (Romans 5:3-5). Bearing in mind that all our thinking is merely tapping on the flow of thoughts and the flow of energy that exists in the Spirit World, when we habitually allow the flow of thoughts and energy through us, a part of our character is gradually changed (tuned) to the same resonance and frequency. Thus it is not a change of ourselves by our own thoughts alone but rather we are changed by the regular flow of the right thoughts through us.

Every thought we think and every feeling we have produces a "wave or resonance or vibration" within us. Thus when we have lived a life time of error

and sin, our character becomes the very darkness of our thought patterns and emotional patterns. The waves set in motion by every thought and act go on forever (within us and in the Spirit World) until they are harmonized. If the harmonizing is not done while one is physically alive, then it must be done in the Spiritual World even if it takes an eternity.

According to how we set our hearts and minds, we produce either death or life within ourselves (Romans 8:6). Those whose spirits receive the indwelling of the Holy Spirit still have to contend with the need to renew the mind (Romans 12:1, 2). Everyone is bom with the light (wave) of God resonating in harmony (John 1:9). Only when the mind beats with the same resonance of the Holy Spirit and the soul beats with the affections of the Lord Jesus is there transformation taking place inside our character.

Thus, as we yield to the flow of thoughts that arise from the kingdom of light and let it resonate within our beings, we are gradually being transformed day by day into the image of Christ (2 Corinthians 3:17-18; 4:6). The unselfish thoughts and acts of love produce harmonious waves which, upon contact with the discordant wave, change its colour; and through wave upon wave of pure thoughts of love and pure acts of love, the discordant wave becomes pure glorious light once again.

Being born again does not automatically transform the soul but it does give a greater potential for transformation through yielding to the light and life of Jesus within the heart. The heart must be open to receive the love, the life and the light of Christ in order to once again resonate with the harmonious waves of God's love. The heart is the source of all our desires, thoughts and inclinations (Matthew 12:33-37). It is important for the heart to resonate with the love of God before it can produce thoughts of love. Being comes before thinking and doing.

A thought or an act of sacrificial love that reflects the love of God has a great impact in the Spiritual World right up to the highest spheres closest to God. Its vibrations and waves are very powerful. Imagine the whole Universe to be the room and someone opening a bottle of the loveliest perfume in the room. Its vapours and scent radiates throughout the room. Every single thought and act of love has a certain degree of impact in the Spirit World proportional to the degree and purity of love.

Angels and ministering angels are impacted with joy and energy when the love of God is released through human vessels. The closest communion we have with the Spirit World is not necessarily when we are aware of angels and spirit beings but rather when we are caught in the rapture of ecstasy through great and noble holy Godly love emotions.

Moses was completely unaware of his physical face shining when he came down from the mountain after seeing God's glory (Exodus 34:29). Paul was not seeking the spiritual realm but he was constrained by the love of God to give his life in service to God and received revelations of the highest glories of God (2 Corinthians 5:14; 2 Corinthians 11:24 - 2 Corinthians 12:1-14). The closest that you will ever get to the Spiritual realm in this life is when you become the very personification of God's love (1 Corinthians 13:13).

All the senses in the spiritual realm are heightened thousands of times and we can sense things beyond what our normal five senses perceive. The spirit being is more capable of sensing all the 12 variations of colours and shapes and sounds in the spiritual world. This is hard to describe but like having twelve senses of which our earthly five senses are only an extremely rough comparison:

1. Within our ears are actually three senses

a. the sense of hearing

b. the sense of movement or direction

c. the sense of balance (the sense of mass or "weight")

2. Within our sense of touch through our body and nerves are two senses

a. the sense of touch which in the spiritual realm becomes more acute to sense electricity-magnetism, ether-astral currents and substances.

b. the sense of love (warmth/cold, peace,

joy). Our physical bodies produce chemicals (endorphins, etc.) which cause us to physically feel rejection, depression or highs and lows. This is a very, very rough physical type comparison of the more refined sense of love within our spirit and soul that we can sense in the spiritual realm. All emotions finally resolve themselves into one great and final universal force of God's love.

3. Within our sense of smell are two senses

a. the sense of smell

b. the sense of life or breath. In the Spirit World, we sense this pulsation of life which comes from God.

4. Within our sense of taste are two senses

a. the sense of taste

b. the sense of speech. This sense enables us to perceive

c. the sense of what is communicated to us even when we sometimes do not understand the words.

5. Within the sense of sight are the senses of

a. the sense of sight

b. the sense of thought

c. the sense of consciousness (the soul or "I" consciousness)

4 Mysteries of the Spiritual World

In Chapter 10 of her book "The Rainbow and the Worm: The Physics of Organism," Mae-wan Ho links the relationship between light and matter and even describes a method to photograph biophotons. Her mathematics using Quantum Physics as applied to organisms shows the simultaneous existence (or consciousness) in two dimensions in what she called quantum coherence or the "unity of intentionality."

Einstein's famous equation of $E = mc^2$ relates all mass to energy. Genesis 1:3 relates all creative energy to light (not natural light which was formed in Genesis 1:14). All energy proceeds from God (John 1:1-5). Paul's understanding of this creative spiritual energy (Greek word "energeo") relates it to the Holy Spirit and the main energy that causes the gifts and works of God through us (1 Corinthians 12:11; Galatians 2:8).

All the suffering and pain in this present earth is caused by the free will of man exercised from his creation to the present day. Darkness is the result of men turning away from the Truth and the Light of God. Darkness does not exist by itself for darkness is merely the absence of light. Negative energy does exist and it is the usurping of the original energies released upon God's creation (and to men) by turning its power and creative abilities towards evil use and purposes (for destruction and subjugation of other free wills). The following are some of my observations on the operation of this creative spiritual energy in the Spiritual Realm:

1. All life receives and emits this energy.

2. This energy can be turned into negative energy by humans.

3. Spirit beings (whether they be angels or demons) can not act upon the physical earth without some form of energy emitted by physical humans. They need some sort of energy emanation from us to work in our physical realm. Thus every human being is responsible for his own destiny by free choice of thought, emotion and will. By choosing to constantly emanate negative energy, bad things and circumstances are attracted to and around a person (or community or nation of like mindedness) like a fractal attractor. The accumulation of evil thoughts and negative energy gathers by fractal laws over the community

and once it reaches a certain attractor point, physical catastrophes and human disasters break forth in the physical dimension. On the positive side, the accumulation of positive creative energies does the same thing in bringing manifestations of physical blessings both in the human dimension and in nature.

4. The best way to overcome evil is by focusing on the good rather than by focusing on overcoming the evil. Example, to eliminate bad thoughts, one should just have good thoughts rather than focusing on rebuking the bad thought. The focus on evil in itself gives more energy to the sustaining of the fractal attractor energy that it is receiving.

5. All the evil that one faces individually or as a nation is first "created by oneself or by the nation." Evil by itself cannot exist in the physical dimension if it is not "attracted to exist" by the free choice of humans. The greatest enemy of evil is the power of love. In an environment of perfect love, darkness and evil cannot exist (1 John 4:18).

Secret of Overcoming

Every human being has weaknesses which he or she has to struggle against in this life. The secret of overcoming these weaknesses (even when it has led one through many failures and consequences) is

1. To acknowledge personal responsibility through free choice and that one has some level of inheritance of it (from soul and physical ancestry) and also from wrong upbringing or the lack of it - both nature and nurture. The refusal to accept that the wrong things and results of one's own life have something to do with one's own free choice and inherent nature condemns one to repeat it unto death. Blaming others and God (no matter whether there be natural or societal causes) does not work as it is merely self denial of responsibility. No matter what your inherent nature is or what societal influences you were nurtured in, one should take personal responsibility for one's own consequences.

2. Upon acknowledging that the evil in one's own life is the projection from one's own internal life, look at your own weaknesses like members of a soccer or football or rugby team to be trained (rather than looking at them like the devil in you to be expunged). Each strength is a weakness and each weakness is a strength. For example, the muscles that a swimmer developed for strength in water would at the same time make him clumsy on land.

The muscular speed ability of the 100 metre runner and the muscular endurance ability of the marathon runner are two different abilities that would be liabilities if their roles were exchanged. Don't see your own weaknesses as enemies but rather see them as different members of your team for the enhancement and growth in your life. Treat them as you would treat an unruly child rather than an enemy. Each time it falters, encourage the right temperance as you would encourage a child who falters.

3. Balance between spirit, soul and body. You cannot live life in just one of these dimensions. Allow each of these areas in your life to expand and grow. Physical exercise, soul and social activities should not be neglected in the pursuit of spiritual activities.

4. Have a grateful heart. Give thanks in everything (Yes, even for the weakness). Be filled with gratitude in your life. Be filled with gratitude to everyone. Thanksgiving and love are powerful combinations that bring positive fractal attractors around us. I challenge you to be a thankful and love-filled person everyday to yourself and to everyone around you (plus all of nature and creation) for one year and see whether good things start circulating and happening around you.

Never ever judge or condemn another person because in doing so you are condemning yourself. Instead give thanks for everyone including yourself. In your worst scenario, give thanks that you can find the love in your heart for that person or individual or that circumstance that caused you grief. Never, never ever let any thing else flow in your heart except kindness, love and gratitude. People or circumstances may be ugly around you but never let that ugliness creep into your own heart.

This is an important key, if you don't get this point please don't go further, meditate until you fully comprehend and absorb this point. In the spiritual world, the brightest light coming from humans are those whose hearts are filled with thankfulness and love. From such, the darkness flees away. Analyse the time and occasion when darkness started creeping into your heart and your life started going downhill. It is when you lost the ability to be thankful and loving. Please, re-capture what you lost and you will be an overcome r.

Blemishes in the organized church

The church is to be without blemish or spot for Jesus' coming (Ephesians 5:27). The following are some of the greatest flaws that need to be corrected in the present modern church:

1. The present emphasis on physical and material wealth. The temporal has now become a priority in the organized church rather than the eternal. Such that even church members speak of not being interested in attendance or spiritual things if they do not see any physical or financial benefits resulting in their own lives.

The vast majority of sermons and books are now the "feel-good Christianity" and the "physical-success Christianity."

All these things pass away. Lay not up for yourselves treasures on the earth where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal but rather lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, for where your treasure is there your heart will be also (Matthew 6:19-21; 1 John 2:15). You cannot serve God and Money. You cannot serve two masters. The shameful focus on money, success and wealth is a decline of Christianity happening in front of our own eyes that we are too blind to admit or see.

2. The religiosity without love. Church leaders and members are quick to condemn and judge in self-righteousness. Much of their attitude seems like the Pharisees of old and definitely not like Jesus. Did Jesus condemn the woman at the well?

Did Jesus condemn the woman caught in adultery? Did Jesus condemn Zacchaeus? Jesus gave them all a chance. How can one say three strikes and you are out when Jesus says to forgive seventy times seven? The apostle Paul would not have a chance in the modern church since he has murdered and killed many church people. We need to understand that ONLY God sees the heart.

David committed adultery and murder but he was still a man after God's heart. Abraham lied and put his wife in danger yet he was God's man for the hour. Peter denied Jesus three times but his destiny as a leader over the church was never changed because through it all in his heart, he still loved Jesus. Who amongst the organized church has not sinned in word, thought or deed? Yet as those who have received abundant mercy and are ambassadors of the love of God, we have shown so little mercy and so little unconditional love. In these last

days, religiosity without love will lead to the path of self destruction and darkness. The True Church might end up outside the walls of organized church if this attitude continues.

3. The lack of interest and hunger in spirituality. Open your eyes and see. While the present church and its ministers are occupied with the things of this world, the spiritually hungry and unchurched are looking to get away from the things of this life by the millions and seeking a more contented and spiritual existence. There are now rats in the church running the rat race while there are now lambs outside the church seeking to be fed. We have replaced the Life of God with our creeds, the Lamb of God with our rituals and the commandments of God with our rules.

Blessed are those who are poor in spirit. Blessed are the meek. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Blessed are the merciful. (Matthew 5:3-7). Instead of being poor in spirit, we are proud in spirit. Instead of being meek, we are cunning, crafty and worldly wise. Instead of being hungry and thirsty for spiritual righteousness, we are hungry and thirsty for worldly success. Instead of being merciful, we are masters of judgment and condemnation. No wonder we do not inherit the true kingdom of God nor inherit the earth; nor receive the awakening of spiritual righteousness, nor obtain the mercies of God. We should cry in shame at the spiritual hunger outside the church which contrasts with the physical worldliness in the church.

4. The persecution of the church by the church. One would have reasonably expected that Jesus' warning of tribulation be occurring from outside the church. He clearly stated that it would be from outside the church (John 15:18-21). Imagine the pain and agony of Christ to see that a vast majority of persecution of Christians is from other Christians (leaders and laymen).

How did we become a cancer and start killing our own? Why can't we love everyone who is born of God (1 John 5:1)? If we say we love, then why are curses and condemnation - sometimes in both cruel words and deeds - still flowing from those who claim the right to be arbitrators of justice in the church? Have we forgotten the history of the Inquisition when many innocent died in the hands of the "religious righteous"?

During the Inquisition, clergy and laymen spent their time inventing new methods of torture. In our modern times, the new torture is by exercising

the right never to forgive and forget, the right to ostracize, digging out one another's sins, washing dirty linen in public and humiliating one another. Look outside your church around your city streets and malls. You will find many injured lambs and discouraged sheep lying in pain - kicked by the church but nursed by the unchurched Samaritan. O when will Jesus' prayer in John 17 ever be fulfilled? When will the church be the church?

There is a dark cloud and shadow trying to enter the church in these last days. It is not sent by God, rather the above accumulation of negative energy in the church is going to bring forth its own self destruction (and hopefully purification and cleansing). Yet through all these, there are those who truly walk in Christ's love and Spirit both in the church and outside the church. These will be enclosed in the arms of God's light and power throughout every upheaval, experiencing the goodness of God's mercy and favour in season and out of season.

The Good News

The best news is that evil will vent itself out and self destruct. The key is to stay in the patience, peace and love of God. You need not lift one finger to overcome evil; just merely keep actively walking in love. Evil has already been overcome in Christ. You are more than a conqueror in Christ if you keep the love of God strong in your heart through every single tribulation or failure in your life (Romans 8:37). No evil person can reign forever. No evil organisation can last forever. It is written in the very fabric of creation that all that is in disharmony will self-destruct and wipe itself off the face of this planet. Never let the face and breath of evil rob you of your right to choose to walk in love, peace and thankfulness. The sun of love and righteousness removes every stain and stench of darkness.

To those who try to wrestle in the flesh with evil. You are commanded not to wrestle with flesh and blood (Ephesians 6:12). By coming down to the carnal level, evil has already won and is right now sucking energy from you. Just simply choose to love. Just simply choose to give thanks. For you are seated in heavenly places in Christ. It is only when you truly understand that you are seated in heavenly places in Christ (Ephesians 3) that you can stand and fight the good fight of faith (Ephesians 6).

The Colours of the Mind

We need to learn the art of meditation and contemplation to harness the energy of the Holy Spirit. As spirit has to flow through the soul before reaching the physical dimension, our minds need to be renewed and be a fitting vessel. We need to understand that mental consciousness is not just the "thinking" aspect of the mind. There are other parts of the mind that one can be "conscious" of besides "thinking." The Greek New Testament contains seven main words that have been translated as "mind" in the English versions.

1. Thinking nous, noema

2. Knowing gnome

3. Seeing dianoia

4. Desire, intention phroneo, phronema, ennoia

5. Feeling psuche

They all refer to different conscious sensations of our self-awareness. The process of spiritual meditation is learning to quieten all the external noises coming from our five senses and becoming aware of our sense of

1. Internal thoughts and mental processes *(nous)*

2. Internal sense of perception and reception *(gnome)*

3. Internal sight and images *(dianoia)*

4. Internal desires arising from within us (*phroneo, ennoia)*

5. Internal feelings that we have *(psuche)*

Most of the time when people are not trained to meditate, all that they are aware of is their internal thought and mental process. Western education has encouraged this and thus the word "mind" in Anglo-Saxon philosophy only conveys mental processes. This "overtrained" mental muscle of our mind is like having only one of our legs exercised regularly - we will never be able to have a balanced walk with one super muscular leg and one skinny bony one.

All the other five internal parts or colours of the mind need to be trained and

developed. Part of meditation is focusing on sensing all the other internal parts or colours of our mind. Find quietness and stillness and sense what are the desires, emotions and imageries flowing out from inside your being. If you are not spiritually developed, you might find yourself confronted by your own negative energies, feelings, desires or emotions stirring on your insides. This is alright and they arise for you to recognise them and deal with each one little by little. These negative energies are produced by things within you that are turning the energies that you are receiving into negative energies that are undercurrents in your daily life. If they are not dealt with, they will continue to attract all the wrong things into your life.

Just like you are not able to properly comb your hair and "beautify" yourself without a mirror, you are not able to internally beautify yourself if you refuse to meditate. Meditation is like looking at the internal mirror of yourself reflected upon the five sensations of your mind. By listening to the "music" (positive) or "noise" (negative) produced by your own internal spirit and soul (shutting out all the physical external stimuli), you can truly know yourself and understand growth areas of your life which have to be dealt with.

When you recognise all your own internal areas that need help or "tuning", you can honestly pray to God for help and it is in this manner that you will spiritually grow and be transformed. This takes place both in this life and in the next life (the Spiritual World). In the Spiritual World, many spirits cannot progress because what they "think they are" is not the same as what they "truly are". Refusing to admit their own disharmonies, they prevent higher spirits from helping them. This meditation process is not an instantaneous process but a gradual process of growth and change.

Meditation and Contemplation

There are different levels of meditation and contemplation.

Level 1: daman level (meaning "to cease or be silent") Meditate within your heart on your bed and be still (Hebrew - "daman") - Psalm 4:4.

This is the beginning when all the noise of the thoughts of the mind and the emotional noises of our affections have been silenced and stilled.

Level 2 : raphah level (meaning "to let go")

Be still (Hebrew - "raphah") and know that I am God -Psalm 46:10.

This is the level where you begin to let go. It is moving into "spirit consciousness" as in *Diagram 6* of Chapter 3 in this book. One moves from soul consciousness to spirit consciousness.

Level 3 : demamah level (meaning "calm, silence")

And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a still (Hebrew - "demamah") small voice - 1 Kings 19:12.

It is at this level that one begins to hear the still, small voice of God in one's own heart and spirit.

Level 4 : qavah level (meaning "bound together with the Lord")

But those who wait (Hebrew - "qavah") on the Lord shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings like eagles - Isaiah 40:31.

Same Hebrew word used in Genesis 1:9 where God caused the water to "be gathered together" (Hebrew - "qavah") or more accurately translated "bound together."

At this stage there is union with the Lord (John 15:5). The Lord is abiding in us and we in the Lord. It is a tremendous sense of being in oneness with the Lord - God in us and we in Him.

Level 5 : chakah level - the earnest, expectant, agape love level of the deep things of God.

For since the beginning of the world, men have not heard nor perceived by the ear, nor has the eye seen any God besides You, Who acts for the one who waits (Hebrew -"chakah") for Him - Isaiah 64:4.

Paul repeats this Scripture and spoke from his understanding of what this verse means by replacing the word "wait" with the word "love" (1 Corinthians 2:9).

At this level, one begins to see the mysteries of God and the deep things of God. Things which eye has not seen nor ear heard, nor entered into the heart of men.

The Trinity of the Godhead

In Christianity you have two opposing views on the Trinity: God is three persons in One Godhead and the other that God is one person in three manifestations. Both these views are inaccurate. The first view is inaccurate because three persons make three Gods. The second is inaccurate because three manifestations of one person reduces the majesty of God. (As *I try to explain this area with the limitations of human language, please understand that it would still be limitedly accurate because of the lack of human words and vocabulary to describe it).*

The best picture of the Trinity is like the picture of the Sun. We have the Sun which can represent the Father God, the light which represents Jesus Christ and the heat (radiation) which represents the Holy Spirit. The Father God represents the Source of the Godhead, the Lord

Jesus Christ represents the form and visibility of the Godhead and the Holy Spirit represents the energy emanations from the Godhead.

Thus God is actually one God-person having three God-attributes: the Father as the source attribute of God outside of space, time and dimension, the Lord Jesus Christ as the "shape-form" attribute of God revealed to all creation, the Holy Spirit as the energy-emanation attribute of God throughout all creation. (Remembering that one God-person can be omnipresent simultaneously in various forms emanating through all space and time--which to humans look like multi-persons but is actually only one God-person). He who has seen Jesus Christ has seen the Father (John 14:8,9). In Christ dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily (Colossians 2:8-10).

In an extremely very, very rough comparison (and potentially highly not very accurate comparison as it is extremely limiting to the Godhead), the one God-person of God is comparable to the spirit, soul and body of a human (made in the image of God): the Father God being the Spirit Being of God, the Holy Spirit being the Soul Being of God and the Lord Jesus Christ being the Body-form of God. As I said, this is extremely rough and only accurately true up to less than 1% in speaking of our great Almighty God but it helps get some measure of understanding across to the limited human mind.

Another way of understanding the one person of the Trinity is as follows (this

description probably is more accurate up to 30%). Imagine that it was possible to invent a time machine and I use the time machine to bring the Peter Tan of 1997 to this year 2007; and also bring the Peter of 2017 to the present. Suddenly standing before you are three Peters: one Peter 1997, another Peter 2007 and a third Peter 2017. At this point I ask you a question, "Are there three different separate persons or is there just the same one person Peter from three time dimensions: past, present and future?" The latter answer would be closer to the truth. Now imagine that there are three God-dimensions (for lack of a better word) but one God-person spread across these three dimensions in order to relate to us: God the Father dimension, God the Word dimension and God the Spirit dimension but all the same one God-person. Not one God in three persons but one God in three God-dimensions.

It is important to understand that God is one God and one God-person. He is not, as some believe, some sort of invisible force or energy that permeates through the Universe. Those who believe in this manner are prevented from seeing God. In the Spiritual World, what you believe (including false beliefs about God) hinders your spiritual progress and ability to interact with Truth. A person who does not believe that God has a form, is darkened by his own incorrect understanding even in the Spiritual World; and to him, the Spiritual World seems to only consist of invisible energies without shapes or forms because of his own undeveloped understanding. To him, God remains invisible.

We have a similar situation on a smaller scale in human encounters with angels. Sometimes in visions, dreams or even when a human spirit leaves the physical body and enters the Spiritual World, the angels seem like flickering balls or images of light to the human spirit. This is caused by his own spiritual sense of sight being undeveloped. If his spiritual sight is developed properly, he would see that the lights that he is seeing are actually human-like forms - angels coming to his aid.

The Glory of God

In the Bible, the glory of God is often seen as a cloud (Exodus 40:34; 2 Chronicles 5:14). In the physical world, clouds are just water vapour that condenses. In order to condense, water molecules need some particles, example dirt, pollen, salt, etc. to form clouds. In an allegorical sense, as we are surrounded by invisible water vapour in the air (humidity) all the time, the

presence of God is always around us all the time. As our body feels the levels of humidity, our spirit senses the thickness of God's presence. And as water molecules require particles to form clouds, God requires the human element to manifest a more visible presence of His glory (the Spirit will fall upon all flesh - Acts 2:17). A dedicated life, a dedicated mind and heart, a consecrated body; these are all requirements for the manifestation of the glory of God to this world.

The rainbow in the Bible is a symbol of the covenant of God to mankind (Genesis 9:13). Scientifically, it is the refraction of physical light in the water droplets in the air that creates the visible rainbow. When you use a hose to create a shower of water in the air, you can create a rainbow in your own garden. However, for the rainbow to be visible to you, you need to be standing at a certain position angled to the sun to see the rainbow. In a spiritual sense, the ability to invoke the rainbow of God's glory and covenant in our lives is always there when we have sufficient "droplets" of prayer. And it will depend on where we are standing spiritually with God that determines whether we can perceive or see the covenant of God activated in our lives.

At all times in our lives, whether they be highs or lows, mountains or valleys, dryness or refreshing, like the reflection of sunlight at dawn or dusk upon the ocean (which always form a direct line between you and the sun), God's specific and personal love towards you is available all the time. Take time to meditate and look into the oceans within your spirit, and you will see the spiritual light that is especially directed personally to you.

Power for Healing and Miracles

There are three ways in which healing flows forth from the Spiritual World, all involving the Holy Spirit, of course. One is through the human spirit. The second is through the work of angels and ministering spirits. And the third is through the direct work of God in Christ. Although all healing flows forth from God and needs the instrument of the human spirit, in terms of spiritual "work classification" there are three ways for it to flow. Thus all humans with a spirit that is strong have a measure of healing power.

Some human individuals have developed their spirits more than others and seem to possess this healing ability (Proverbs 18:14; Romans 1:9; 1 Corinthians 5:4; James 2:26). The healing that flows forth from the second category is stronger and more powerful because it involves both the human spirit at work

plus the spiritual presence of angels and ministering spirits who specialise in these works (Exodus 3:2; 14:19; 23:20, 23; 32:34; 33:2; 2 Kings 1:3,15; 6:17; Acts 5:19-20; 8:26). From time to time, the manifestation of the healing Christ comes upon a gathering, group or community and the most powerful healings take place (Acts 5:12-16).

Of the second category, angels and spirits from the higher spiritual spheres are commissioned and sent by God to link up with humans whose spirits are open to God. To human eyes, it seems that the physical humans are able to manifest great authority and power in healing but to those whose spiritual eyes are opened, the work of these angels and spirits can be seen behind the human vessels. There are rare occasions when humans have walked closely with God Himself in such a manner that the Lord Himself directly channels His healing power through the human vessel. These healing events are extremely powerful and are closely watched by all in the Spiritual World as they also have an impact on the Spiritual World.

The Power of the Holy Spirit

The highest angels in the Spiritual World are so powerful that one glance from them can cause an earthquake in the lower spiritual realms and easily on the earth. The way in which the spiritual world sees is different from physical sight. Physical sight is merely the ability to receive physical light and process it in our brains. Spiritual sight is more like a thought form (our thoughts and imagination are like another form of sight in the spiritual realm) which combines both vision, understanding, thoughts, love and truth (which links up with the Spirit of Truth - the Holy Spirit). The Spiritual light of the Lord Jesus flows through the entire spiritual world but even more through those who are highly developed in the Spiritual World. Each spiritual being carries this light which flows in the direction of the glance. For this reason, those who live in the darkness of the spiritual realm are always exposed for who they are in the light of these higher beings. When the will force is added to the look of the higher spirit beings, a great power flows that shakes all before it like an earthquake.

To a very small extent, this power is available to all spiritual beings who are in union with the glory of the Lord. For many in the physical bodies, this power is released through their spoken words (Mark 11:22-24 - the force of faith and desire is the force of the will that is in union with God). This power of the Holy Spirit can be developed in the individual to the extent that even the presence of

the person will bring miracles, signs and wonders (Acts 5:15).

Loving God and Loving our neighbour

These two commandments are what establish our spiritual progress and positions in the Spiritual World. The opposite of these are love for self and love for the world. Many people rationalize in their own minds that they love God and love their neighbour but the test is in their "pleasure centres." There is a natural pleasure centre and a spiritual pleasure centre. Those who love themselves and the world enjoy and take pleasure in this life and in the material things of this world. Those who truly love God and their neighbour find the true pleasures of this life in spending time with God and spending time serving and giving help to their fellow humans. Their greatest delights are in the performance of these two commandments. Their spiritual sense of pleasure is opened and in doing so supersedes the natural pleasures that this world can offer.

When the spiritual pleasure centre is opened the capacity to feel all the wrongs and pain in society also increases proportionally. Many who are "spiritually sensitized" seek isolation and live apart from all human contact. These do not progress spiritually and many, upon entering the Spiritual World when they depart from their physical bodies, find themselves also isolated from the rest of the spiritual community amongst people like themselves (who do not get along well with others). The key is to be able to "do something" about the wrongs and pain we feel in human society through acts of kindness, mercy and love. One cannot progress spiritually merely by claiming a love for God without a proportional active love for one's own fellow humankind. Examine what it is that brings joy into your life. If it is anything else except the joy of loving God and the joy of loving your fellow humankind, the love of self and the love for the world is still present.

Chapter Summary

There are many more mysteries of the Spiritual World like time, space and various dimensions from the spirit realm perspective: like how one move by transformation rather than by distance, like how physical time is only a small subset of visible stage changes from the spiritual realm, and many others but they need to be told in another time and maybe another book. One of the limitations of this physical realm and our finite mind and its use of human language is that one can perceive ten thousand things while in the Spirit in spirit

language but when one returns to this natural realm, it feels like one has "lost" knowing it (to some like a forgetting) because of the inability of our finite mind to quantify it into our human language. It takes time and meditation to slowly find the right words to express the things of the Spirit World. In God's perfect time when this world becomes more "spiritualized" or rather more in union with the love of God, God will allow more understanding of the harmonies of the Spiritual World to the physical world. It will be and is the ultimate Will of God for this physical planet to be in perfect harmony with the spiritual realm. For now, learn the art of being in union with God through the love of Christ and live everyday from the spiritual realm.

Romans 8:29-30

For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover, whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

5 Understanding the Eternal Plan of God

From the very beginning of creation (Genesis 1:1), it has always been God's plan to reveal Himself to us. To God, the creation of the time dimension and us as His creation was all part of the process of His revelation. From us as His creation, we progress forwards in time (measured by movements on the physical earth and measured by events in the Spiritual World) and it seems as if the past creates the future. From God's perspective it is always the future (the final plan He has framed) which determines all events and powerfully shapes the purpose and basis for everything of the past and present towards the completed future.

It is the future which affects the past and the present. This includes all intervention in the cause of events, past and present, where the free will of His creation tries to push it away from the predetermined path of the completed future plan of God. For this reason even from the inception of creation, God has ordained that the event of the Lamb of God, slain before the foundation of the world, as the central revelation of His love towards us (Revelations 13:8).

Events from the Foundation of Creation

We were created in the Holy Spirit and chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4). God knew us by name and our names were written in the Book of Life before the foundation of the world (Jeremiah 1:5; Psalm 139:16; John 10:3, 14-15, 27-30; Revelation 17:8). Details of our individual destinies were planned and all the works were completed in the Spirit before time itself existed (Psalm 139:16; Ephesians 2:10; Hebrews 4:3).

We were all created through God the Word, who later revealed Himself on planet earth in human history as Christ Jesus (John 1:1-3; Matthew 1:21-23; Philippians 2:6-11; John 17:24). The Word brought forth the spiritual force of wisdom which fashioned us and all creation before the foundation of the earth (Job 38:4; Proverbs 3:19; 8:12-31; 1 Corinthians 1:30; Colossians 2:2-3, 9-10; 3:16).

We all follow a path of growth in God and at a certain point of development, and in order to develop the fullness of free choice and self-awareness, there is a requirement along the path of growth in God to assume physical bodies with

limited knowledge and wrestle with the full power of free choice (Jeremiah 1:5; Romans 9:11; Galatians 1:15; Deuteronomy 30:11-20; Romans 10:8, 9). There is a potential risk (because of the power of free choice) that one moves away from God instead of towards God but it is an important growth step to be taken.

We need to also note that there are different levels of the 'physical manifestations' and not all the 'physical worlds' created by God have life forms at the same frequency as the 'physical earth manifestation' which is mineral carbon-based, water-based and oxygen-based. There are many other physical dimensions which are invisible to our physical eyes upon which other forms of 'physical life' can be based. There are myriads of other worlds within various galaxies and universes which God has created (Hebrews 11:3).

At some point, eons ago in the pre-Adamic earth, there was an entire civilization that existed before Genesis 1:3 on planet earth. Some of the fossils discovered are from the pre-Adamic world and not from the post-Adamic world. There was harmony between the inhabitants and the spiritual heavenly realms (when there is harmony the physical and the spiritual interact easily like Adam and Eve before the fall) but a rebellion took place involving Lucifer (Ezekiel 28:2-19; Isaiah 14:12-21). The entire pre-Adamic earth and the portion of the Milky Way Galaxy around our Solar System was cast into darkness with about one third of spirits falling and taking the path away from God (Revelation 12:4).

The earth and its surrounding space became void and dark (Genesis 1:2) although it was not originally created that way (Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 45:18). Many different places of spiritual darkness and imprisonments for fallen spirits came into existence. Although generally known as hell in the English language, the Greek language gives different names to some of these different places: Hades (Matthew 11:23; 16:18; 16:23; Acts 2:27, 31; Revelation 1:18; 6:8; 20:13, 14 - Sheol in Hebrew - Deuteronomy 32:22; Psalms 9:17; 139:8; Isaiah 5:14; Ezekiel 31:16), Gehenna (Matthew 5:22; 23:33; James 3:6), Tartarus (2 Peter 2:4), Brugmos - place of gnashing teeth (Matthew 8:12; 13:42, 50; 22:13; 24:51; 25:30; Luke 13:28), Exoteros - outer darkness (Matthew 8:12; 22:13; 25:30), Anudros - dry place (Matthew 12:43; Luke 11:24), Lake of Fire (Revelation 19:20; 20:10, 14, 15; 21:8).

When God commanded light to shine in Genesis 1:3, it was a fresh recreation as He began to banish the darkness from the physical earth. When God breathed into the physical body which He had made for Adam, the spirit of

Adam came into the physical body and Adam was given free choice and self-awareness (soul) in a physical body (Genesis 2:4). The time was also ripe for the revelation of Christ to be brought forth in the post-Adamic lineage (Genesis 3:15; 1 Peter 1:20; Hebrews 9:26; 1 Corinthians 15:45-49).

Attempts were made by the fallen spirits of the pre-Adamic world to corrupt the Adamic race but they were dealt with and imprisoned in chains of darkness (Genesis 6:1-8; 2 Peter 2:4, 5; Jude 6). It was with the Adamic race that Christ sought to reveal the manifold wisdom of God's love and mercy hidden from the past ages (Romans 11:11-36; Ephesians 3:5-11; 1 Peter 1:10-12, 20-21; Matthew 13:35; 25:34; John 17:24). There is a final confrontation between the remnant of fallen spirits of the pre-Adamic world and Christ before the final completion of this part of the Galaxy into a new earth and a new heaven (Revelation 9:1-21; 12:7-17; 19:19-20; 20:1-3, 7-10, 14; 21:1).

The Revelation of the Lamb of God

Even before the foundation of all creation, God knew that the elements of free choice and self-awareness given to His creation would result in the abuse and misuse of powers, forces and energies which He originally gave in benevolent love. These powers, forces and energies were to be used in beneficial unconditional love with pure selflessness but free choice and selfishness can turn the very same good into disharmonious energies which need an avenue to reverse and restore them into their original state of harmony. Thus He also included in His plan when He created time and spirits, the revelation of the Lamb of God slain before the foundation of the earth (Revelation 13:8; 1 Peter 1:20; Ephesians 1:3-5).

At the cross of Calvary, a cosmic battle ensued with consequences which shook and vibrated forwards and backwards in time and dimensions as the Spirit of Life in Jesus took hold of all the confluence of disharmonies flowing from all time and dispensations and restored them back into divine harmony with Almighty God. That which was ordained before the foundation of the world was unfolded for all the creations of God as the Lamb of God obediently fulfilled the plan of the ages (Revelation 5:1-14). All the power of the redemption of Christ was concentrated upon the cross and its impact flowed backwards in time as well as forwards in time (Matthew 8:17; 1 Peter 1:20-21; 2:24).

The eternal plan of God was not just a cleansing work in the redemption of

Christ but the impartation of the life of God through the redemption of Christ (John 3:5-6,16; 6:48, 53; 10:10, 28; 11:25; 14:6). Physical blood has always been equated with life (Genesis 9:4-6; Leviticus 17:11-14; Deuteronomy 12:23; Hebrews 9:11-28). The key to understanding the power of the blood is not just to see it Tike a cleansing, bleaching agent' which washes us white as snow (Isaiah 1:18; Revelation 7:15), although this does happen. Rather it is in reality to receive the Life of Jesus into us (Romans 5:9-10; 6:4-11; Romans 6:4-11; 8:2, 11). Thus a head knowledge of the redemption of Christ does not change us but rather the infusion of the Life of Jesus transforms us (James 2:19, 26; Romans 8:15-17).

In the Spirit World, there is a vast difference between spirits who are still learning and progressing in the various schools in the spiritual realm (Romans 2 category) and those who have learned to receive the Life of Jesus through union with Him. Those who learn to open themselves to the light, love and life of Jesus shine much brighter than those who choose to explore the various myriads of schools in the Spirit World and grow through their various stages of teachings.

Many of those spirits in the various schools do not realise that in the end they would find that all their great learning and understanding was actually flowing through various channels from Jesus Himself. These include many Christians who have not learned to have a deep relationship and union with Jesus but who had only filled their lives with teachings about Jesus; much of which are filled with their own prejudices and their own theology about God. It is the desire of Jesus to bring us to the position of glory where He is, one in the Godhead of the Father (John 17:24).

The Mystery of Evil

It seems to some that predestination does not allow room for free choice but such views come from linear thinking where we think that there is only a Plan A in God. In order to offer us the experience of free will and free choice which is true and real, God has Plan A, B, C to Z and infinity for every position of choice that we have. When we get our hearts in union with Him, we will always receive the impetus and guidance to make the choices that move towards Him (Romans 8:28). On the other hand, when our heart is not with Him but on self, the pathway leads away from Him. All the sin, suffering, pain and imperfection in the world today are the result of free choices made by generations before us and

by the present generation continuing to make the wrong choices, besides our own wrong choices. However, the right choices made by those who are in union with God's heart do have a positive impact in bringing the world closer to God's perfect Will.

The proponents of evil, spirits from pre-Adamic times, and the influence of humans who yield to evil are allowed to temporarily exist as they give a reality of opposing choices for humans living in the flesh. Also note that some types of spiritual growth come through the overcoming of suffering and evil:

In order for faith to grow, there must be the experience of situations where knowledge is limited and faith is required.

In order for love to grow, there needs to be loveless situations where unconditional love is demanded.

In order for courage to grow, the environment must be filled with hardship and disappointments that challenge the strength of character.

In order for truth to grow, one must grow up facing challenges of error and falsehood.

In order for loyalty to grow, the person must face opportunities for betrayal and desertion but choose to hold fast.

In order for hope to grow, the situations faced must be filled with uncertainties and insecurities.

The above is only a sampling; there are many other types of spiritual qualities that can only be developed by facing its very opposite. In the end when all the creation of God has matured to its fullness and the existence of evil is no longer required on planet earth even Hades, Death, and the devil are thrown into the Lake of Fire (Revelation 20:10, 14).

Children's Paradise

Coming to this earth is a great dimensional shift. There is the need to develop free choice/free will spiritual consciousness in ways that have not developed before. For foetuses or babies or children who have short earthly existence, there is a growth process that still needs to be completed spiritually

before the regaining of consciousness of pre-existence. Thus foetuses and babies who died early on earth have to enter children's paradise to grow and learn; including learning about the redemption work of Christ on earth. The advantage they will have in children's paradise is that they will grow much faster than on earth and reach spiritual maturity rapidly. When they are fully grown and matured, some of the knowledge of their pre-existence will begin to come to them.

The disadvantage of leaving earth early is that there are some areas of growth which they will miss out on but it will be compensated for in other paths of growth in heaven. The lack of knowledge of pre-existence also happens to fully grown humans who died without the knowledge of God, especially those who are drawn to darkness. There their sense of having existed before is sometimes perverted by dark spirits of the lower realms into the wrong doctrine of reincarnation. For those who grow normally on earth, and who are seekers of God, sometimes the knowledge that they have existed somewhere before comes to their consciousness even while on earth but without the Bible and revelation, they do not understand where this sense is coming from.

Some people have a faint sense that they came from somewhere beyond earth; and somehow they don't really belong to this world, especially when they were young children. For Jesus Christ, when He first came to earth and manifested as a human being, also had to reach a certain age of spiritual maturity before He began to acquire knowledge of who He was and His position in the Godhead. He had to learn the human language the normal way and through the Scriptures and direct revelation from God began to comprehend who He was and is - and the child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:40), and Jesus increased in wisdom and stature (Luke 2:52). In a similar way, all of us who live to adulthood on earth need to discover God's plan in our specific lives and grow in wisdom and knowledge. It is a divine requirement that all who come to earth experience the growth process again till we are spiritually matured.

Understanding the relationship of Mind and Body

Many people think that their consciousness is in their brain, which is part of their physical body; at least that is what science has been able to physically measure. The truth is that our real consciousness is in our mind which is a part of the soul and is invisible to the physical dimension. The brain only serves as a conduit for

the mind and is also the conduit to the physical body through the nerves. It seems that memories are stored in the brain only because different parts of the brain relate to different memory areas of the mind.

As an illustration let us take the relationship between the brain, the nervous system and the body. When electrical stimulation is made to different parts of the brain, it stimulates in turn different parts of the physical body. Also in reflexology, massages are given to different parts of the feet in order to stimulate nerve pathways to different parts and organs of the physical body.

Just as there is an inter-relationship of the brain, the nervous system and the physical body, there is an inter-relationship between the mind directly to the brain and also directly to the physical body. When a person completes this physical life and departs the physical body, all the experiences of his or her life are retained because the mind is still present with him even though the brain is dead and left behind with the physical body.

Everything is vibrating and in motion in the physical world: atoms have subatomic particles moving within and have electrons orbiting their nucleus; all matter has its own sound timbre and vibration as well as light frequency, and also magnetic resonance. Every cell in our body has its own frequency and every organ in our body has its own frequency. Overall, we each have a different and unique frequency.

We are healthy when our spirit is vibrating harmoniously in the right frequency with our soul and body; both also vibrating in synchrony. Sicknesses, whether physical, mental, emotional or spiritual, are caused by the overall frequency being in disharmony. Since all substances carry their unique frequency, sometimes physical healing is achieved through medications or natural treatments because the medicine or natural substances help alter and correct the overall balance frequency of our being. When healing is achieved through prayer or spiritual healing, the frequency is corrected and harmonised from the spiritual perspective. Thus there is no conflict between spiritual healing and physical means of healing as they both achieve the same end result.

It is sometimes easier for people to physically alter their frequency through material means as not all humans are sensitive enough to allow the alteration of their frequencies through spiritual means. Contact with the Spiritual World is made when our mind is at the right frequency with the angels communicating

with us, or in the right frequency with God for God to speak to us.
The spiritualising of the mind is thus one of the most important things to do in this life (Romans 8:5-6).

There is also the concept of being seated together in heavenly places while still being in our physical bodies (Ephesians 2:6; Colossians 3:1-4). In order to understand this, if you touch your little toe now, you will feel the sense of touch (consciousness) on your little toe. Your little toe feels your hand touching it. Now that doesn't mean that your brain is now in your toe (in fact your brain is separated from your toe by a physical distance of several feet), but it just means that your little toe is conscious of your hand when you touch it. Our relationship with Christ seated in the heavenly places is as the head is to us, the little toe.

We feel consciousness in our physical bodies and brain but that doesn't mean that we are not with Christ in the spirit. When we are in union with Christ, we are with Him in the heavenly places but we are feeling consciousness as if we are here on earth because our physical bodies are in constant contact with this earth like the little toe touched by the hand. There are different levels of consciousness and when we pray, read the Word of God, worship or meditate, our consciousness rises to be where it spiritually is - in Christ. We need to develop spiritually until our constant consciousness is always with Christ in the heavenly places.

The Future changes the Past

We see things the wrong way (natural man) when we keep thinking that it is the past and present that change the future. This seems to be so from the natural point of view. But if you look very carefully and examine it, it is the future conceived in the mind which brings about the desire to change the present using all the tools of the past. An architect conceives a design for a building. Once he completes the entire drawing and blueprint, the contractor uses the blueprint and constructs the physical building. Now if we acknowledge that what the architect conceived is a vision or perception of what he sees the future of the plot of land or old building site can be, then the future has created changes to the present.

From the Spiritual World perspective, every single idea or thought that has ever come to all humans arises first in the spiritual realm of thoughts. This realm of thoughts is heavily manipulated and activated by spirits from the Spiritual

World in the struggle between light and darkness over the planet earth. From this pool of overall direction and confluence of thoughts, mature spirits can predict the future outcome even before they happen on the physical plane. As humans on earth pick up these thoughts, they become the instruments for bringing to pass on the physical plane that which is conceived in the spiritual realm. The whole spiritual battle is thus always in the thought realm (2 Corinthians 10:4-6).

Now as God retains control and supervision over all His creation to ensure that His plans and purposes are ultimately fulfilled, God releases His flow of thoughts and wisdom upon this realm of thoughts both directly and through His angels. He releases just sufficient so that it does not overpower the free will of His creation but it keeps the balance of forces in check so that the overall direction is always towards His eternal plan. These are the revelations of His works which He has prepared beforehand and finished before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 2:10; Hebrews 4:3).

Men and women, who are on earth and whose lives and nature are sensitive and predisposed to various types of thoughts, pick up these thoughts in their minds and when they finally receive comprehension of them in time, begin to act upon them thus bringing them to pass. In vision and conception, these thoughts axe seen as completed (finished works) but as far as the physical world is concerned still something in the future time.

The reception of those thoughts which are from God result in living works and the reception of those which are from darkness result in dead works (Hebrews 4:10-12; 9:14). Words and thoughts from God produce a union with Him which results in a fruitful life (John 6:63; 15:1-8). Words and thoughts from darkness cause bondages (strongholds), trespasses and sin (Ephesians 2:1-3; 2 Corinthians 10:4). The seed of the future within us is the only force that is moving us forward. We only need to ensure that it is the seed of God to guarantee success (1 John 3:9; 5:4). The engine of the whole human race is hope and faith. Where hope and faith dies, everything dies and reverts backwards. It is the future (received in us) that changes the past and the present.

Complete Harmony and Union with God

The eternal call and purpose of God in creating all of us is that as we develop our uniqueness and self-awareness to the fullest extent through all the Spiritual World spheres, we also grow towards a more complete union with Him through

Christ Jesus. This harmony is achieved through Him completely being in us and we being completely in Him - His fullness of life in us and our fullness of life in Him. It is the supreme desire of Jesus to bring us to the place where He is in the Godhead of the Father, that we may behold the fullness of the glory of God (John 17:21-24).

There are degrees of union with God. In the revelation of God throughout the Bible, it is always the revelation of the desire of God to inhabit His people. In the Old Testament, it was through the tabernacle and temple in their midst and in the New Testament, we have become His living temples (Exodus 25:22; 40:35; 2 Chronicles 5:14; 1 Corinthians 6:19; 1 Peter 2:5). We are no longer limited to worship Him by place or time but are free to worship in spirit and in truth (John 4:23. 24). We have become His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all, a habitation of God in the Spirit (Ephesians 1:23; 2:22).

It is important to start this walk in union with Christ on earth and complete its fullness in the Spiritual World (John 15:1-5). It begins with His Word, life and love in us and we in Him (John 15:7; Romans 5:5). We need to continue to let the fullness of Christ be in us as we are in Him (Ephesians 3:17-19). When Christ who is our life appears, we shall also appear with Him in glory (Colossians 3:4). As we behold Him, we are transformed into the same image (2 Corinthians 3:18).

With blessings, we leave with you some Scriptural promises to the Spiritual World being opened to you:

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God (Matthew 5:8).

Do you believe? You will see greater things than these. Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man (John 1:50-51).

He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him (John 14:21).

If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him (John 14:23).

When He, the Spirit of Truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He

will not speak on His own authority, but whatever he hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come (John 16:13).

He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine, and declare it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you (John 16:14, 15).

And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one (John 17:22).

Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him (1 Corinthians 2:9).

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of God (2 Corinthians 3:18).

For it is God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 4:6).

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened... (Ephesians 1:17,18).

Appendix:

Quotations from other writings

Martin Luther, the father of the Protestant Reformation, once wrote:

God forbid that I should limit the time of acquiring faith to the present life! In the depths of the divine mercy there may be opportunity to win it in the future state. — LUTHER, Letter to Hansen von Rechenberg, 1522.

...I believe the triumph of the Christ began at the cross and ends only when the race, like Himself has received from God the father, through him, the grace, power and glory of God that makes them sons of God like Himself It is a long way between the cross of Calvary and the throne of God, but that is the way that Jesus travelled and that is the course for every other soul of man. —John G. Lake "The Second Crowning" (page 203).

God...held council with His Son even before the foundation of the world so as to have His Son come down and go to the cross in order to reconcile all things back to himself rescue fallen mankind, and resolve the rebellion of Satan. — Watchman Nee, "God's Plan and the Overcomers."

The Holy Spirit establishes the righteousness of heaven in the midst of the unrighteousness of earth, and will not stop or stay until all that is dead has been brought back to life and a new world has come into being. —Karl Barth

The Father willed through Christ to reconcile the universe once more unto Himself, and so to restore all things whatsoever and wheresoever they be. - Dr. John Lightfoot on Col. 1:19,20.

In each dispensation, Cod has a definite and different immediate purpose, all working toward the ultimate purpose of ridding the universe of all rebellion, so that all free moral agents will be willingly and eternally subject to God, Christ, and the Holy Ghost, as originally planned, with God all in all forever. — Finis Dake, "Notes on Genesis" in Dake's Bible

I began to feel that the salvation in which I had been rejoicing was, after all a very limited and a very selfish salvation, and, as such, unworthy of the Creator

who had declared so *emphatically that His "tender mercies are over all His works," and above all unworthy of the Lord Jesus Christ, who came into the world for the sole and single purpose of saving the world. I could not believe that His life and death for us could be meant to fall so far short of remedying the evil that He came on purpose to remedy, and I felt that it must be impossible that there could be any short-coming in the salvation He had provided. The Bible says, "As in Adam all die — even so in Christ should all be made alive." As was the first, even so was the second. The "all" in one case could not in fairness mean less than the "all" in the other. I saw therefore that the remedy must necessarily be equal to the disease, the salvation must be as universal as the fall.* —Hannah Whitall Smith

Whensoever any such criminal in hell shall be found making such a sincere and mournful address to the righteous and merciful judge of all; if at the same time he is truly humble and penitent for his past sins and is grieved at his heart for having offended his maker, and melts into sincere repentance, 1 cannot think that a God of perfect equity and rich mercy will continue such a creature under his vengeance , but rather that the perfections of God will contrive a way for escape, though God has not given us any revelation or discovery of such special grace as this. I grant that the eternity of God himself before the world began, or after its consummation, has something in it so immense grand so incomprehensible, that in my most mature thoughts, I do not choose to enter into those infinite abysses; nor do I think we ought, usually, when we speak concerning creatures, to affirm positively, that their existence shall be equal to that of the blessed God, especially with regard to the duration of their punishment. -Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

To go on punishing forever, simply for punishment's sake, shocks every sentiment of justice. And the case is so much worse when the punishment is really the prolongation of evil, when it is but making evil endless. —Thomas Allin "Christ Triumphant," page 49.

It becomes morally impossible for all things to be both subject to Jesus Christ and yet sinfully rebellious against Him at the same time! —Charles P. Schmitt, "The Unending Triumph of Jesus Christ."

How could the Bible possibly speak of the perfect victory of God our Creator who loves righteousness and cannot bear evil, if that victory really means that He cannot bring His own creatures at last to hate evil as He hates it, but must

confirm multitudes, indeed the majority of them, in their choice of evil forever and ever?... What sort of victory is it to be able only to subdue evil and prevent it harming any but those who choose it, and to be unable to bring human souls to abominate it and desire to forsake it, so that the evil itself ceases to exist?... - Hannah Hurnard.

It is claimed that it takes the iron out of Christianity because it removes the threat. No longer can the sinner be dangled over the pit of hell. No longer can what Burn's called the "hangmen's whip" of the fear of Hell be threateningly cracked over the sinner. But the kind of universalism in which I believe has not simply obliterated hell and said that everything will be all right for everyone; it has stated grimly that, if yon will have it so, you can go to Heaven via Hell. - William Barclay.

It is claimed that universalism does away with free will...what is forgotten is that God has eternity to work in. It is not a question of God, as it were, rushing a man into heaven. It is a question of God using an eternity of persuasion and appeal until the hardest heart breaks down and the most stubborn sinner repents. -William Barclay.

I believe implicitly in the ultimate and complete triumph of God, the time when all things shall be subject to Him and when God will be everything to everyone (1 Cor. 15:24-28). For me, this has certain consequences. If one man remains outside of the love of God at the end of time, it means that one man has defeated the love of God — and that is impossible. Further, there is only one way in which we can think of the triumph of our God. If God was no more than a King or judge, then it would be possible to speak of his triumph, if His enemies were agonizing in hell or were totally and completely obliterated and wiped out. But God is not only king and Judge, God is Father — He is indeed Father more than anything else. No father could be happy while there were members of his family for ever in agony. No father would count it a triumph to obliterate the disobedient members of his family. The only triumph a father can know is to have all of his family back home again. -William Barclay.

John Wesley was greatly influenced by the Moravians. He quoted from Sixteen Discourses (Moravian Literature), the following statement, *"By his (Christ's) name, all can and shall obtain life and salvation."* One of Wesley's intimate friends, Peter Bohler wrote: *"All the damned souls shall yet be brought up out of hell."* (Bohler was made the Bishop of American Moravians, next in

rank to Zinzendorf). - Source: A Cloud of Witnesses, by John Wesley Hanson, page 54.

The following are revelations by Sadhu Sundar Singh from some of his visions in the Spiritual World (The Christian Witness of Sadhu Sundar Singh by T. Dayanandan Francis, pages 598-600):

I was also told that the love of God operates even in hell. God does not shine in His fill light, because those there could not bear it, but He gradually shows them more and more light and by and by brings them on and moves their conscience towards something better, although they think that the desire is entirely their own. Thus God works on their minds from within, something in the same way, though in the opposite direction, as that in which Satan suggests temptation to us here. Thus, what with God's work within and the Light without, almost all those in hell will ultimately be brought to Christ's feet. It will perhaps take millions of ages, but when it is attained they will be full of joy and thankfulness towards God; though they will still be less happy than those who have accepted Christ on earth. Thus hell also is a training school, a place of preparation for Home. Those in hell know that it is not their home because they suffer there. Men were not created for hell and therefore do not enjoy it and, when there, desire to escape to heaven. They do so, but they find heaven even more uncongenial than hell, so *they return. But this convinces them that there is something wrong in their lives, and thus they are gradually led to repentance. At least, that is the case with the majority, but there are some few personalities, Satan for instance, in regard to whom I was told, 'Don't ask about them. ' And so I didn't like to ask, but I hoped that for them also there was some hope.*

They also told me that the saints help in the work of saving souls in hell, because there can be no idleness in heaven. Those in hell will ultimately be brought to heaven like the prodigal son, but with regard to the ultimate fate of a certain number 'you must not ask'... 'If there were no hope for all the non-Christians in the world and all the Christians who die in sin, God would stop creating men. We must do our part here on earth to save sinners, but if they refuse we need not be without hope for them.' - Sadhu Sundar Singh Hebrews 2:8

For in that He put ALL in subjection under Him, He left nothing that is not put under Him. But now we do not yet see ALL things put under Him. 1 Corinthians 15:24-28

Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to ALL rule and ALL authority and power. For He must reign till He has put ALL enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. For "He has put ALL things under His feet." But when He says "ALL things are put under Him," it is evident that He who put ALL things under Him is excepted. Now when ALL things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put ALL things under Him, that God may be all in all.

Endnotes

Understanding the words *forever* and *everlasting* in the New Testament:

It is often assumed that the New Testament words *forever* or *everlasting* refers to an infinite chronological time period rather than a dispensation or age. The Greek word for forever *aion* and its adjective *aionios* may be translated as *forever* and *everlasting* in the English language but its essence means *age* or *dispensational period* (to us it would seem as if some ages last forever). Example, the same Greek word in Revelation 20:10 has been translated as *world* in Matthew 12:32; 13:22, 39, 40, 49; 24:3; 28:20; Mark 3:29; 4:19; 10:30; Luke 1:70; 16:8; 18:30; 20:34, 35; Acts 3:21; 15:18; Romans 12:2; 1 Corinthians 1:20; 2:6, 7, 8; 3:18; 8:13; 10:11; Galatians 1:4; Ephesians 1:21; 2:2; 3:9, 21; 6:12; 1 Timothy 6:17; 2 Timothy 4:10; Titus 2:12; Hebrews 1:2; 9:26; 11:3.

The correct translation should be *age* or *ages* and it refers to a section of dispensation throughout God's creation of the ages. Our English language has no 100% rendering of the translation and struggles between *age, ages, age to age, world, ever, forever,* etc. There is a beginning of ages and an end of ages (Matthew 13:39-40; John 9:32; Acts 3:21; 15:18; Ephesians 3:9). There are many ages to come - Ephesians 2:7. It would be presumptuous of us to assume that the Bible contains ALL the revelation of the many ages yet to come and that precede us. In fact the Bible, in between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2, possibly sweeps through millions of years and it is obvious that in Revelation 21:1 the ushering in of the new heaven and new earth only speaks as an introduction of another new dispensation or age for mankind. It would be presumptuous of us to assume that it stops there, knowing that there are earth human relations with other worlds and possibly other dimensional parts of the universe in the millions of ages to come. Our God is an infinite God beyond our present finite comprehension.

Conclusion on the quotations in the appendix and notes:

The basic fundamental doctrines of Christianity are biblical and correct. We do need to obey Christ's command to go forth and preach the gospel to all nations and make disciples (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-18; Acts 1:8). Irrespective of one's personal view of the 'eternalness' of hell and suffering (and

whether one agrees or disagrees with the above quotes and views), even one minute in hell is a torment no one should face, let alone millions of years. The essence of Christianity is the great love of God for the world, and of Christ lovingly giving Himself for us on the cross of Calvary; we who believe in Christ must go forth with the same degree of love (and not condemnation) to give our lives to others in love (John 3:16; Romans 5:8-11; 1 John 3:16). For those not ready to receive Christ, they have two commandments that they must obey with their conscience: love God with all their hearts and love their neighbour as themselves (Romans 2:14-16; Matthew 22:36-40).

In this life, and in the next life, and ages to come, Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:6).

BACK COVER

Between mid-February 2006 to the end of March 2006, Ps Peter Tan was taken into the Spiritual World through nightly visions and visitations by the Lord Jesus Christ. This book is a summarized compilation of the understandings that he has received during the supernatural visitations. He was given to understand that this book would provide some guidance about the Spiritual World, of heaven and hell, to those still alive on the earth so that they would better prepare themselves for the Spiritual World.

Since 1979 he had prayed, consistently for an opportunity to visit heaven so that he might be able to teach and equip the people of God for life in heaven. Although he was given glimpses of heaven in his many spiritual experiences, the visitations that he received in 2006 were the result of 27 years of consistent prayer for the opportunity to visit heaven and be able to tell others what it is like. This book is but a small part of all that the Lord has shown him during the visitations.

There have been many people who have had glimpses and visions, of heaven, hell and the Spiritual World. According to Rs Peter Tan, what people understand from their spiritual experiences can be affected by their lack of knowledge in the written Word of God and also by their assumption that the section of the Spiritual World visited was indicative of all of the Spiritual World. Their visitations could be real but their understanding and interpretations of what they saw could be Inaccurate. This book seeks to outline the general outlook of the realities of the Spiritual World and provide those who have spiritual experiences,

and also those who do not have them, with a Scriptural basis by which to interpret and understand their own experiences.

