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## *Chapter One*

### *The Genealogy of Our Awakening*

<sup>1</sup>The awareness of our oneness with the Christ of us comes from our love for and faithful obedience to the promptings of Spirit. <sup>2</sup>Our faith in being able to manifest divine ideas leads to a sense of joy, serenity, and inner peace; and this enlightened perspective must always control our worldly sense appetites, <sup>3</sup>because our Adamic consciousness (sense consciousness) always gives us an incomplete Truth perspective. <sup>4</sup>Our sense consciousness (coma consciousness) is fueled by our intellectual understanding of outer appearances and is clothed in its left brain rationality which limits its comprehension. <sup>5</sup>However, our very beingness means we are able to grow in conscious awareness of who we really are. As extensions of Spirit's love connection with humankind we are connected with the eternal nature of Universal Spirit.

<sup>6</sup>This connectedness underwrites our continued development by expressing Itself as a higher form of heart-centered intellect called wisdom. Our innate wisdom has its roots in the possibilities afforded it because of its relationship to divinely-inspired human love which is based on discernment instead of judgmentalness. <sup>7</sup>However, this discernment cannot be developed without a complete appreciation for the highest forms of spiritual love and illumination; and so its evolving discernment and discretion are affected. <sup>8</sup>It is important to know that the healing forces within us are sustained by our I-Am-ness, which elevates us and strengthens us. <sup>9</sup>Thus spiritual strength relies on our trust and willingness to transcend the temptations of our Adamic sense consciousness. <sup>10</sup>The tendency to put too much dependence in flesh consciousness (coma consciousness) can lead to religious glaucoma instead of spiritual growth. <sup>11</sup>When that happens our unen-

lightened ego may tend to worship itself and praise its own penchant for manifesting counterfeit happiness. <sup>12</sup> Whenever we find ourselves in that situation we will have difficulty seeing the Truth.

<sup>13</sup>. Once we submit our human will to our innate Comforter, our Omnipresent Helper, we will realize that we have complete dominion over all of our thoughts, attitudes, beliefs, and actions. <sup>14</sup>. We are here to prepare our consciousness for its right and just work as a receptacle for Divine Ideas. <sup>15</sup>. By coming into the awareness of our God nature, we realize that the God of us is our Sustaining Presence, and that giving and receiving are our presiding spiritual activities. In our continued unfoldment, we can become one with our I-Am-ness. <sup>16</sup>. The absolute realization of this oneness is the crystallization of wisdom and intuition which give birth to the Pattern of Perfection within us. <sup>17</sup>. So, the growing awareness of this indwelling Pat-

tern of Perfection comes from the divinely-ordained power of the mind to produce unlimited ideas and to differentiate spiritual ideas from the multitude of confusing sense inclinations when it is aligned with our Christ awareness.

### *The Birth of Our Indwelling Christ*

<sup>18</sup>. Now, the Christ of us is expressed as an exalted Divine Idea. It comes through the interplay of superior intuition and heart-centered understanding, particularly when these qualities within us move toward their oneness in Spirit. <sup>19</sup>. No matter how highly developed our intellect is it cannot quite grasp the significance of our Christ potential and so it wants to keep our intuition in check. <sup>20</sup>. However, no matter how resistant our intellect is there is, that higher spiritual quality within us which prompts us to trust our intuitive abilities because It knows that the

Christ of us can only be expressed through the activity of the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup>And when we express this divine principle in action we actualize our Christ potential and transcend error thoughts, beliefs, and actions. <sup>22</sup> And when this occurs it is the result of fulfilling the innate potential within us. This has been known by Truth students from the beginning of time who have said, <sup>23</sup>“Look, when you come from a place of virginal stillness and spiritual clarity, you shall manifest the Christ Principle, which is the Divine Activity of the Godness in you.” <sup>24</sup>So, we must remain open to the *still small voice* and accept our God-given potential. We must arise from the sleep of sense consciousness and listen to the wisdom of our superior intuitive qualities. <sup>25</sup> If we do that, we will begin to unfold our Christhood by connecting with our indwelling I-Am-ness.

## Chapter Two

### *The Surfacing of Stored-Up Spiritual Qualities*

<sup>1</sup>In spite of the influence of our worldly ego, when we awaken to our Christ potential through our spiritual recognition of the presence of Universal Substance, we gain inner peace. <sup>2</sup> It is the nature of our interior wisdom to ask the ego rhetorically, “Where do ruling spiritual thoughts come from?” There is that within us that recognizes the true Inner Authority as the Indwelling Spirit and that we should honor It. <sup>3</sup> When our unenlightened ego is faced with these troublesome prospects, <sup>4</sup> it gathers the support it needs from an out-of-touch intellect and tries to understand what it cannot comprehend. <sup>5</sup> The only help a clueless intellect can provide the frightened ego is to repeat what the ego already suspects. <sup>6</sup> “Out of the essence of Universal Substance,” the intellect

might say, “comes divine ideas which can rule human consciousness.”<sup>7</sup> Our bruised ego cringes at the thought of a higher authority and sees it as a threat to its own authority.<sup>8</sup> The ego does not fully comprehend the nature of this ‘spiritual adversary’ and seeks to deny its presence.<sup>9</sup> Our superior spiritual nature understands the limitations of the sense-oriented ego and has no doubts about our Christ potential. If we follow our spiritual nature with conviction<sup>10</sup> we shall rejoice with exceedingly great joy because<sup>11</sup> we shall experience what it feels like to become one with our Christ Nature. And the way we can begin to experience that oneness with Spirit is to adopt three specific spiritual practices: maintain an abiding consciousness of the Omnipresent richness of Substance, be prayer-conditioned through affirmative prayer and daily meditation, and let go of error thoughts, attitudes, and habits that serve no spiritual purpose.<sup>12</sup> There is no point in trying to appease a struggling

ego which may never understand our true nature. The wise and prudent thing to do is to follow our spiritual instincts and continue to walk the spiritual path on practical feet.

### *Our Shared Somatic Address*

<sup>13</sup>. Once we do this, there will be resistance every time the ego is reminded that it is subordinate to a higher spiritual authority. Don’t forget this tendency toward resistance because the ego will continue to deny its subordinate status.<sup>14</sup> We must not hesitate to honor our spiritual essence because it shares the same somatic address as our sense nature.<sup>15</sup> We are just as responsible for taking care of our physical body as we are our spiritual vehicle because our human body is the biological address of our Indwelling Christ Nature.

### *Erasing Spiritual Ideas*

<sup>16</sup>. Keep in mind, however, that a frightened and jealous ego will want to erase any and all thoughts and ideas, and especially new ones, that pertain to our divinity. <sup>17</sup>. So it is important to remain steadfastly faithful and absolutely committed to our spiritual growth <sup>18</sup>. by staying in a high state of spiritual consciousness. This is especially important since the paranoid ego has a history of discounting our true nature by tempting us to censor our own spiritual ideas from being expressed.

### *Return From Darkness*

<sup>19</sup>. However, the fits and starts of an overly protective ego are usually short-lived. Our super-conscious thoughts record all of our ideas and intentions so nothing is lost in mind, only the potential expressions are lost. <sup>20</sup>. When the ego is bypassed, divine ideas intuitively conceived will prevail because

the ego remains outside the orbit of Spirit. <sup>21</sup>. So, we must confidently pursue our Christ Nature <sup>22</sup>. in spite of any residual insecurities of a wounded ego unsure of itself, <sup>23</sup>. even if it means going back to basics for a while to evolve our growing oneness with Spirit. Don't pay any attention to the ego's taunts that our spirituality is a worthless enterprise. We must give our spirituality time to grow.

## *Chapter Three*

### *Our John the Baptizer Qualities*

<sup>1</sup> As we grow our spirituality, we begin our metamorphosis from an undisciplined intellectual perspective which is not yet quickened by Spirit, but nevertheless seeks to praise God. <sup>2</sup> We consciously turn from error thinking and embrace that part of our being which produces divine ideas. <sup>3</sup>. There is

that sense of deeper knowing within us that feels the promptings of our higher self and seeks to prepare itself for higher knowing. <sup>4</sup> It is this same undisciplined intellect that perseveres, despite its tendency to bridle our creativity, censor new ideas, and settle for sweet but simplistic spiritual understanding. <sup>5</sup> At this point in our spiritual growth we can attain the inner peace and spiritual maturation we desire when we harmonize our spiritual and egocentric thought processes. <sup>6</sup> This state of being can transform our inner life, <sup>7</sup> particularly when we recognize the inadequacy of a letter-of-the-law mentality and self-righteous judgmentalness which are the wrathful tools of a frightened ego. <sup>8</sup> It is better to place our attention on the fruits of Spirit and turn from the inharmonies associated with our materialistic bent. <sup>9</sup> We must take care, however, to keep our high ideals in perspective so we can remain faithful to the Source of our

unlimited supply. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, release those thoughts which see duality and bring a sense of separation because they cannot stand in the face of Truth. <sup>11</sup> Indeed, as we transform our thinking, we will honor that within us, our individuality, which is mightier than our human personality, whose essence we cannot possibly describe with mere words, but which transforms us with love, purifying us and cleansing us in Truth. <sup>12</sup> Under Spirit's guidance we will be able to separate Truth from error.

### ***The Baptizing Power of the Word***

<sup>13</sup> As we mature in our ability to discern Truth from error, our I-Am-ness filters down into our subconsciousness from our superconsciousness and energizes our intellect, melding it with Spirit. <sup>14</sup> Thus enlightened, the intellect recognizes its limitations and seeks to be made whole. <sup>15</sup> When that is our authentic intention, our I-Am-ness affirms



our connection. Our heightened awareness is a prerequisite for our continued spiritual growth.

<sup>16.</sup> Once we do not give power to appearances and affirm our oneness with the Christ of us, we can rise above old error patterns and find peace of mind. <sup>17.</sup> At this stage of our spiritual development, there comes upon us a sense of our true identity and our eternal connection with our Christ Nature.

## *Chapter Four*

### *Tempting the Incarnated Word Expressed as the Jesus of Us*

<sup>1.</sup> The attainment of a higher spiritual consciousness is generally followed by thoughts from our sense consciousness which reject our oneness with Spirit and express themselves as earthly temptations. <sup>2.</sup> The best way to handle such spiritually corrosive thoughts is to retreat forward into prayer and

meditation for the strength needed to address these enticements. <sup>3.</sup> We can put material things before God, <sup>4.</sup> or we can affirm that God is the Source of all of our supply and put God first. <sup>5.</sup> We can choose to publicly proselytize our spiritual inclinations, insights, and abilities for personal gain and recognition, <sup>6.</sup> believing we are favored and protected by dogma, <sup>7.</sup> or we can remind ourselves of the unenlightened ego's penchant for deception and reaffirm our oneness with Spirit. <sup>8.</sup> We can allow ourselves to abdicate our power, dominion, and authority to the lure of sense delights <sup>9.</sup> by telling ourselves that there's nothing really wrong with worshiping material things. Many people believe a material universe is all there is. <sup>10.</sup> Or, we can resolutely declare our absolute oneness with Spirit and affirm we are God expressing Godness as us. <sup>11.</sup> By holding steadfastly to the Truth principles which underwrite our being, we stay lifted up in consciousness.

### ***Retreating Forward***

<sup>12.</sup> Eventually, we will cease to intellectualize our spirituality (John the Baptizer's arrest), by *retreating forward* through prayer and meditation to re-establish our connection with Universal Substance. <sup>13.</sup> The best way to do that is to center ourselves in the Truth of us, to find comfort and balance in that oneness <sup>14.</sup> so that it makes it possible for us <sup>15.</sup> to keep our dominion over the demands from the undisciplined aspects of our human personality. <sup>16.</sup> Even the old programming buried in our subconsciousness will be transformed by our Inner Light. <sup>17.</sup> The Jesus of us, the highest individual expression of the Christ Ideal, prompts us to surrender to the guidance we can receive from the spiritual qualities which underwrite our spiritual unfoldment.

### ***Quickening Four of Our Spiritual Powers***

<sup>18.</sup> As we increase our essential spiritual activity through honoring the Divine Ideal within us, we are uplifted by our faith (Peter quality) and strength (Andrew quality) which are used to receiving divine ideas. <sup>19.</sup> If these higher spiritual qualities are used in the right way, they will fortify other qualities and we will accomplish what we have come here to do. <sup>20.</sup> Once we make the Christ decision, our entire consciousness moves in the Christ direction. <sup>21.</sup> When we do this our innate wisdom (James, son of Zebedee) and abiding love (John) sustain us from falling into needless negativity as those qualities fortify our Truth walk. <sup>22.</sup> When these qualities are quickened there is no hesitation on our part to seek spiritual perfection. <sup>23.</sup> When all four of these qualities are active in our daily lives, we realize that we can divinely order our expe-

riences and heal all manner of error thinking, attitudes, and beliefs.<sup>24</sup> We begin to overcome intellectual pride and all of its associated exaggerations and insecurities as these qualities mature.<sup>25</sup> All of our soul energy (our inner constellations of Truthful thoughts) contributes to a sense of inner peace and praiseworthiness throughout our entire body, from our head to our feet.

## *Chapter Five*

### *The Be-Attitudes*

<sup>1</sup> Recognizing the need to develop our relationship with the Christ of us, it is a good practice to withdraw into prayer and meditation, and to focus on our higher spiritual qualities.<sup>2</sup> When we declare our oneness with Spirit we come to the understanding that:

<sup>3</sup> We are blessed when we lack narcissistic pride, when we are teachable, when we are open and receptive to eternal

Truths—for we shall expand our understanding of our divine potential.

<sup>4</sup> We are blessed when we *wake up* from error thinking and move beyond blaming ourselves or others for missing the mark—for we shall enjoy the challenges ahead that lead us into endless opportunities for growth.

<sup>5</sup> We are blessed when we are non-resistant to God expressing Godness as us—for we shall have control over all of our thoughts, attitudes, emotions, and actions.

<sup>6</sup> We are blessed when we hunger and thirst after right (principle-oriented) thinking, for we shall be transformed by the renewing of our minds.

<sup>7</sup> We are blessed when we are merciful, when we give what we wish to receive—for we shall be treated likewise.

<sup>8</sup> We are blessed when, through the clarity of Spirit, we are not fooled by outer appearances—for we shall view all things from our Christ Consciousness.



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