

If You Believe ME You Can Be Healed, But If You Know ME You Cannot Be Sick — Father Divine

FATHER DIVINE'S MESSAGE

Given at the
BANQUET TABLE
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Many visiting friends were present as usual, and among those who accepted FATHER's gracious invitation to speak were Mr. J. N. Ruffin of London, England, who told of how he was healed almost instantly from severe abdominal pain upon contacting FATHER; Mrs. Sara S. Washington, president of the Apex News and Hair Company, Inc.; Mrs. Barry of Philadelphia, who told among other things of a miraculous healing of a man on the California Desert who cut an artery in his leg and was bleeding to death, and through his friend accompanying him calling on the Name of FATHER DIVINE, the blood ceased flowing immediately; Mr. Harry Mahneke and Mr. Claude S. Cleare, both lawyers.

THANK YOU, FATHER DEAR!

(The foregoing statements are those of the transcriber, after which is recorded the song FATHER sang just before rising to speak.)

SONG

"How good it is to dwell together in Unity,
Dwelling in One, dwelling in One;
How good it is to dwell together in Unity,
Dwelling in the Oneness of GOD.

"It is like the precious ointment
That was used by Sister Mary,
Dwelling in One, dwelling in One.
It is like the precious ointment
That was used by Sister Mary,
Dwelling in the Oneness of GOD.

"It will heal your Spirit, body
And it will heal your soul,
Dwelling in One, dwelling in One.
It will heal your spirit
And your body and your soul,
Dwelling in the Oneness of GOD."

(FATHER speaks as follows:)

PEACE EVERYONE: In the Unity of the Spirit, of Mind, of Aim and of Purpose, the same as I have been, I AM; and I AM bringing the people of the earth into this great at-one-ment and to a place in consciousness where they will lose all identity of self and be lost in the Infinite. This is accomplished by dwelling together in Unity.

Harmonization is the mystery of supply that will satisfy your every desire in the act of bringing about that long-sought-for Kingdom for which you all have prayed.

"How good it is to dwell in Unity," one said. It is like the precious ointment that was spoken of: he spoke of it; but I have respoken of it. But the ointment secondly as mentioned in the Christian Dispensation was the ointment that was used by Sister Mary. It was precious ointment, so they said, and the Spirit of GOD's Presence in all simplicity but yet in devotion for her Savior, she used it, though it was said to have been precious. Can you not see the mystery? It bespoke what we are doing daily when we are making a sacrifice of everything for Righteousness' sake that the Christ might be established in our lives and anointed and crowned King of kings and Lord of lords in our consideration. It was a parable-ated expression in her devotion for the Savior. Can you not see the mystery?

Then I say, this is like the precious ointment that was used by Sister Mary when you are dwelling in the Unity of the Spirit, of Mind, of Aim and of Purpose and will lose all sense of self for Righteousness' sake.

Life Hid With Christ

When you lose your personal care for yourself as an individual and unify with the Infinite Whole and learn to love GOD with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your strength and with all your soul just as you have been told, it will be proven conclusively it is a reality in losing your identity, for your life then will be hid with Christ in the Infinite.

The Apostle said,

"Ye are dead and your life is hid with Christ in God."

When your life is hid with Christ in GOD, oppositions may arise and may try to keep you, or cast you down, but when your life is hid with Christ in GOD you are protected and you are sheltered from the storm. You need not fret yourselves because of the workers of iniquity then, for you know they are cut off as far as you are concerned, for in Christ you are hid. Aren't you glad!

Then I say, it is a privilege to dwell in Unity, and this is the expression of it. I AM manifesting it daily as you live soberly, righteously and Godly and harmonize with ME for one common purpose.

Just look over this vast audience as a matter of course, as an abstract expression demonstrating your mental and spiritual conception. You

have conceived the idea such as I conveyed to thee, of how you should be unified together, and not only unified together according to an often rehearsed statement made in the churches:

"Together we stand and divided we fall,"

just as a saying; but as in the Unity of the Spirit, of Mind, of Aim and of Purpose just as we are; yea, as you are and as I AM, so should you be in reality; no longer merely a saying but we should be so closely connected in Unity until it will be a matter of impossibility to get one without getting the other.

Teach Others to Unify

That is the mystery of what I AM telling you, how you are in Unity, dwelling in Unity. How good it is through the Life and the Teaching of Christ you have been unified, and you are teaching others how to unify by the actuated words of expression I AM demonstrating.

Unity is the Keynote to Salvation—sometimes called harmonization; moving in unity — sometimes called moving in unison; speaking volitionally and explicitly spontaneously — sometimes called speaking dynamically—but I could say, speaking dynamitedly — for there are mental spiritual explosive powers that be, such as dynamite and other mechanical and chemists' inventions and discoveries, are but the shadows and the type of the mystery; speaking in parables; but the spiritual is the reality.

Do you know you are filled with explosive dynamite that will explode? When this Dynamite of Salvation explodes in you, your thoughts will come forth volitionally spontaneously. Instantaneously you will move in unison and you will speak dynamically, because it is GOD by HIS Explosive Power speaking within you.

This realization of MY true and faithful followers, when they assemble together in these different audiences they observe something more than common. They recognize something, because they are conscious of GOD's Presence, and the Consciousness of GOD's Presence is the Keynote to Salvation because it creates an Atmosphere, and that Atmosphere it creates, as it had already created, it is the Spirit of the Consciousness of the Presence of GOD, and it is the Source and the Supply. That is where all of these blessings come from. Aren't you glad!

The Source of the Blessings

They wonder why and where do these blessings come from—material blessings galore, infinitely flowing free for one and all—where do they come from? They come from the Spirit of the Consciousness of the Presence of GOD, for it is the Source and the Supply and it can and it will

satisfy every good desire.

Take these thoughts to consideration and create within yourselves the Consciousness of GOD's Actual Presence by harmonization and by unifying yourselves together with others; you will bring about this Conscious Conviction of the Realization of GOD's Actual Presence and the Spirit of it, which is the atmosphere it creates, will begin its work immediately; adjusting matters satisfactorily for you, supplying your every desire automatically, without your conscious effort; just by the relaxation of your conscious mentality and staying your mind on the Consciousness of GOD's Presence, the Spirit will do the work for you.

Blessings, blessings, blessings! Infinite blessings—for you have reckoned GOD's Presence in that you have considered. In all of your activities you have considered, therefore you have reckoned GOD's Presence in that you have considered, and automatically GOD will adjust matters satisfactorily.

When the speaker mentioned how you are healed, the speaker said, because I AM GOD! Such a belief or conviction substantiated in the conscious mentality works automatically and scientifically, and it works accurately and adjusts matters satisfactorily for you.

The Sun Does Not Make Any Effort to Dry Things

I thought when the speaker was speaking, how the sun will dry things for you, yet the sun does not bother anything about it. But you who are the recipients and inheritors of such a blessing, you consider it deeply, because to you it is well worth considering. It is a blessing beyond measure.

The sun that shines so bright, if you get out in the rays and the sunlight of the sun, the sun will do for you what you know it will do for you. But the sun does not bother about you, it just does it.

Now get in the Radiance of this Love and bathe your soul in the Sunlight of GOD's Infinite Love. HIS Rays of HIS Love are flowing so free from above. Aren't you glad! And all who will get out in the Radiance of this Love, they can and will be blessed, not only mentally and spiritually, but your bodies and all things that concern you, as well as your soul. For this cause we are rejoicing.

Then I say, because you know GOD—Jesus even said to know GOD was more than just healing you. Can you not see the mystery? That thought of it you had not taken cognizance. You should take cognizance of that thought, if you please:

"To know God is life eternal."

That is better and greater than healing you. Can you not see the mystery? If you believe on ME you can be healed but if you know ME you cannot get sick.

Jesus said,

"It is life eternal to know thee, the only true God and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent."

Can you not see the mystery? Therefore life is much greater than being healed from you sickness, One percent of a fraction of a grain of a

percent of prevention is worth more than two hundred tons of cure.

Healing Automatic

I came here to keep you healthy, well and strong, but as the speaker said, by disobedience from whatsoever angle it may be that may cause you to get sick or afflicted, if you call on ME in the day of trouble, I will deliver you—unless you have sinned unto death. But if you call on this mighty Holy Name and recognize GOD's Actual Presence, automatically you are healed of your affliction, or sickness, and you are made healthy. That is the mystery!

Then I say live in this recognition and build upon this Foundation continually, and realize GOD is ever with you, according to the prophetic message of the prophets concerning Jesus:

"His name shall be called Immanuel, being interpreted, God is with us."

Now convince yourself once and forever GOD is with you and live it and express it and act just like GOD is with you. By the actuated Words of expression I will bring into outer expression Christ's Appearance and you will see Him as He is; for,

"According to your faith, so be it unto thee."

And as you believe and act it out scientifically and accurately you will assemble together and you will agree upon the thing that is needful.

Jesus declared, who is Christ and who is GOD,

"Whosoever two or three agree upon the one thing that is needful, there I will be in the midst of them . . ."

Agreeably agree! I say, Agreeably agree. Do not disagreeably agree but agreeably agree together upon the thing that is needful, and I will be with you.

Your Conviction Will Bring Desirable Results

Agreeably agreeing that GOD is Present and when you are convinced of that supernatural conviction or conversion, from the mortal version into the recognition of GOD's Actual Presence, such a conversion will bring the desirable results to you and for you (Can you not see the mystery?) — because GOD is the Desirable. GOD is that which will bring the results of such as HE is. Can you not see the mystery? GOD will bring the results of such as you see HIM to be.

Hence, in consciousness, realizing GOD is with you, the desirable results must follow such a consciousness and such a conviction, for it comes automatically and without your effort to bring it. Can you not see the mystery? Such a conviction brings it; such a conscious conviction and such a realization will bring into your recognition and then your realization the desirable results, and conditions and circumstances will follow desirably (Aren't you glad!) — because you have brought GOD in consciousness in all of your awakened hours, and GOD HIMSELF unadulterated a Living Reality to you.

In you GOD has been once more established and desirable things will follow, for you are holding GOD, the great Creator of all good uppermost in consciousness, and GOD automatically will re-create and bring into expression

the desirable conditions and circumstances for you, and the undesirable will be dispelled once and forever.

This is not a supposition. I say, when you are conscious of GOD's Presence it actually dispels the "other fellow's. It eradicates and dispels the activities of the "other fellow", and all that will be in evidence in the future experience will be GOD's and such as GOD is bringing.

GOD Is the Mechanic and Adjuster

Why live in confusion? Why be filled with negation, disappointment and failure? Why be filled with doubts and fears, worries and cares, when GOD is the Good and the Eradicator and the Dispeller and the Cancellator of all negative and all adverse and undesirable conditions? Then realize GOD's Presence will adjust matters satisfactorily for you from every angle expressible, but it is not anything that I will do Personally. I will not make an effort to heal you and I will not use a material method neither a material remedy; for GOD is Infinite and Omnipresent and Ever Present and Omnipresent and Omnipotent, therefore you need not look for GOD to use material remedies; you need not look for GOD to make a physical effort neither use material remedies to reach your condition; for GOD is Omnipresent, the great Creator; Ever Present, the Operator of matters—the Adjuster of them—as the great Manifester of your mechanical unit of your human being. Have it reconditioned by GOD's Actual Presence and by the reckoning of GOD as your Lord and your Savior and the Creator and the Maker of your mechanism and the Adjuster of all matters; therefore, HE can and will recondition your physical system as the great Mechanic and the Machinist and the Manifester of your mechanical unit of humanity. Aren't you glad!

Matters are adjusted satisfactorily and they are adjusted satisfactorily automatically by the recognition of GOD's Actual Presence.

The Atmosphere of the Consciousness of GOD

Now some may say, "Why is it that things are different and the atmosphere is more pleasant wheresoever FATHER is functioning?" It is because GOD is in Consciousness. The masses have imbibed MY Conscious Presence in the conscious recognition I AM living. I AM no longer in the supposition of that suppositional heaven; I AM here with them! Can you not see the mystery?

Such a conscious conviction established in the conscious mentality will automatically adjust matters satisfactorily and cause harmonious conditions to result, and it creates a harmonious atmosphere, for GOD being uppermost in consciousness dispels negation, disappointment and failure and all confusion because GOD is uppermost in the consciousness of the people; hence, they reckon GOD effectively; GOD to them is made a reality.

When GOD is merely in your imagination and in your conscious recognition and realization, GOD to you is merely an imagination and you cannot get the results that one would get who is conscious of GOD's Actual Presence; for the consciousness of GOD's Presence will bring about the conscious recognition and the realization of the results of HIS Presence. Can you not see the mystery? But if you merely hold in your

supposition your suppositional version of GOD as being some place geographically, decillions of miles away, it is a matter of impossibility for GOD to you to be a reality. GOD can only be to you as you see HIM to be. If you see ME to be a good m--a-n I will be a good m-a-n

to you and no more. If you see ME to be a prophet I will be a prophet to you and no more! Aren't you glad! But as you see ME to be in every expression advanced from that degree of a good m-a-n—so will I be to thee. I thank you!

Your Faith In ME Has Brought You Eterna Emancipation

When mankind gets up out of the ruts of segregation, races, creeds
and colors then and there the Earth will be Heaven —Father Divine

FATHER DIVINE'S MESSAGE
AT THE BANQUET TABLE
20 WEST 115th STREET
NEW YORK CITY
MONDAY, JUNE 18th, 1934 A.D.F.D.
TIME: 11:30 A. M.

Many visitors from far and near found a place in the great throng around the Banquet Table of FATHER DIVINE at 20 West 115th Street, New York City, on Monday, June 18th. On this occasion there was one whose long black robe and crucifix and flowing white beard proclaimed his connection with an orthodox church. He was officially known as Archbishop of Russia for America and the Aleutian Islands. He listened with absorbed interest to the many testimonies and songs of praise, as he sat watching FATHER Personally serve the abundant Banquet Table.

A testimony was given by one who said she had left with her employers, what she referred to as—one of FATHER's papers—but understood to be The New York News carrying HIS Message. When she asked how they enjoyed reading the Message, she was informed that they did not approve of certain criticisms connected with race, creed and color, and a tendency to "knock", as she expressed it, reflected in the paper. Conveying the impression to those who did not know the facts, that this was FATHER's publication, she concluded by telling of how she had defended the policy of the paper.

FATHER responded immediately, singing and speaking as follows:

"If you live the life, FATHER will open every door, etc.

HE will open every door.

"If you tell the Truth, FATHER will open every door, etc.

HE will open every door."

PEACE! Good Health, Good Will and a Good Appetite for one and all, and many other desirable blessings if you will only make your mental and spiritual contact and recognize this Infinite Ever Presence as a reality. It is indeed Wonderful! For this cause I arise at this juncture. Long have I been refraining from speaking this morning, but as the testimony of the last speaker has called MY attention and has

aroused ME to speak from this angle, I must speak for the good of one and all, that others as well as she as an individual, might get understanding in all of their getting. It is indeed Wonderful! It is written:

"In all of your getting, get understanding."

Firstly I wish to convey and not only convey to you that are here, but to the universe—these commercial papers are not MY publications. I AM only contributing to them MY immediate Message, the same as I AM speaking in the atmosphere.

"The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof."

Nevertheless, these commercial papers are not MY publications as a Person. They are the same as any other paper as far as the publications are concerned. The editors of the papers publish what they wish to. I AM representing nothing less than Christ, and nothing more than GOD. Condescendingly I came, and I AM contributing to these different papers that will accept of MY Message and publish it as it is given. That is all I have to do with the papers.

MY Message, when it proceeds forth and goes out of MY mouth, it is recorded by those that are catching the data of it, and they do publish facts and figures—the Truth, and nothing else but the Truth concerning it. Therefore, all of the papers have the same privilege that The New York News has, and the California Eagle, and any or all of the other papers that carry MY Message. The only difference is, there are some papers that are prejudiced. There are papers of which the editors and publishers are bigoted and they do not desire to publish the Truth as it is given. That is the only difference between the paper that you are speaking of and any other commercial paper.

Messages — Free Gift to World

The paper you are speaking of—The New York News—and the California Eagle, especially, these two and other papers that carry MY Message just as I give it, they happen to be open-minded enough to receive MY Message and to publish it just as it is given by not adding to or taking from it. For this cause I condescended to contribute to them, and that is why you see MY

picture and MY Name advertised therein. It is not because I AM in some way connected with The New York News any more than I would be with any other publication, if the people would accept of MY Message and publish it as it is given.

I AM saying this for the good of the people, for in their belief in ME, as though it is ME, is a blessing for them and for all the nations. Through your belief, millions of you throughout the universe have been abundantly blessed. Your faith in ME, as though it was ME, healed you from all sickness, afflictions and diseases. Your faith in ME, as though it was ME, has pardoned and forgiven all sin and has made you pure and clean, and given you your true and real emancipation that nothing else could give. It is indeed Wonderful! Your faith in ME, as though it was ME, has lifted you out of the ruts and the murks and mires of human superstition, and has delivered you and freed you completely from all limitations, adverse and undesirable conditions and every expression that is undesired of you that could be imagined. It is indeed Wonderful!

Through Your Faith In ME

These qualities are put forth into expression through your faith in ME, as though it was ME. Hence, your faith in ME, as though it was ME, has brought you your true and real emancipation—not only an emancipation from sickness, sorrow and pain, but has brought you your emancipation from limitations, lacks and wants and adverse and undesirable conditions. It has brought you your emancipation from sickness, from diseases, from sorrow, from sin, from death and from h--l and the grave. It is indeed Wonderful!

Therefore, your faith in ME, as though it was ME, is worth all the world to you! For this cause I arose, that I might convey this Message that others might learn as well as you, I AM not publishing any negative expressions of criticism or accusation against another, unless there is a cause for it. And this I AM doing for the sake of mankind that they may not doubt ME, for your faith in ME has brought you all of these desirable blessings, and the reverse is equally true—if you disbelieve or doubt ME, such adverse conditions will come to you that