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Chapter Highlights

...“Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it.”

Psalms 127:1

...Except the Lord build the house,” unless God is understood to be the source of our supply, there is no permanent supply. This “house” is our individual consciousness: When this consciousness is unenlightened human consciousness, it is barren; it lacks the spiritual substance from which supply flows.

... Out of the barrenness of human consciousness, regardless of what we build, our efforts are not permanent or lasting.

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...We eat, and hunger again; we drink, and thirst again; we engage in all the activities of human life, but nothing endures.

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...Then we are told: “Thus saith the Lord of hosts; Consider your ways.” With this admonition, comes the instruction to go up to the mountain: to go up into a high state of

consciousness; to go into the high places, and from there “bring wood, and build the house.”

...Every time we meditate or fill ourselves with “the meat ye know not of” or the water of life or the wine of life, or the bread of life, meaning spiritual substance and food, we are building the house of spiritual consciousness, a consciousness of truth....When that house has been built, the Lord says, “I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified.”

... “The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts:

The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.”

Haggai 2:4, 6-9

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...Let us begin to understand that the earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof. The *I*, within us, is multiplying out of the unseen resources of Spirit—not taking anything from anyone, not dividing that which is already in the world, and not drawing upon the visible resources of the earth.

...supply is multiplied from within us.

...Our individual consciousness is the storehouse of infinite spiritual unfoldment. The moment we begin to draw from this inexhaustible storehouse, which never takes account of what is in the visible world, we cease being concerned with how much or how little we have, or with whether the current economic status of the world be one of prosperity or depression.

...In the realization that the silver is Mine and the gold is Mine, we draw on such an infinite source that the more we use, the more remains. When we have God, we have the infinity of supply....We experience lack or we are supplied according to our state of consciousness.

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...Never can an individual with a consciousness of supply lack the forms of supply. During wars or sudden depression, or during a period of stress and strain, such as the Hebrews experienced on their journey from Egypt to the Promised Land, there may be a temporary absence of the forms of supply. But with the wisdom that supply is the Infinite Invisible appearing as form, “the years of the locust” are quickly restored, and supply is revealed as omnipresent and abundant.

...We can draw on our Christhood for anything, anything at all, to the extent of our realization of this truth.

...Out of our Christhood, the infinite nature of our being, can flow millions of words, millions of ideas, and why not millions of dollars. What is the difference?

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...The silver is mine; the gold is mine.” God is the eternal storehouse of all good. I turn within to that infinite storehouse and let the good of God flow out into expression. I care not in what form it flows, nor do I try to direct its flow, because my heavenly Father knoweth what things I have need of before I ask him. It is his good pleasure to provide all good for me. I draw forth my supply from the invisible storehouse within my own being; I, within me, is multiplying out of the unseen resources of Spirit. God is infinite being and infinite in expression, pouring through me as unlimited supply.

...It is necessary to eat and drink of this truth, to digest and assimilate it, and to make it a part of our very being, until a day, a week, a month, or a year from now, we begin to see the fruitage of it, in the lessening of doubt and the measure of peace that is established within.

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...Life becomes entirely different once we have caught the vision of the great truth that the Word, which proceedeth out of the mouth of God, is the substance of our life our water, our wine, our bread, and our meat. We begin to see that that which is outward and tangible is but the effect of that which is invisible.

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Search: “build the house”

From The 1952 First Class of 1952

...Well, now we have a new meaning to the statement, “Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.” Now we know what the Lord is. Except our consciousness of truth build the house, it’s a waste of time for us to build it in the external realm. You see now, whenever you hear the words Lord, God, the Master, the Christ, Spiritual Consciousness, will you please remember what it means?

1003B 1952 First Class of 1952
“The Fourth Dimension”

From *Consciousness in Transition*

... If you do not bring God—consciously—into your experience right with your first waking moment, you may have lost the opportunity, for quite a while, to have God with you on every occasion.

Consciousness in Transition
Chapter 1 – “Spiritual Healing”

Search: “our individual consciousness”

From *A Parenthesis in Eternity*

... If once we perceive that God is our individual consciousness and understand how this consciousness leads us in the way that we must go, then for the first time we can honestly say, “Oh, how love I the Lord, my God! Oh, how love I this God of creation.”

A Parenthesis in Eternity
Chapter 6 – “God the Consciousness of the Individual”

From *Consciousness Unfolding*

... Prayer is the disclosing of the divine reality to our individual consciousness. Turning within, watching, always listening for the divine reality, is the secret of spiritual living.

Consciousness Unfolding
Chapter 1 – “God is Individual Consciousness”

From *The 1958 Maui Open Class*

... The Infinite Way is built primarily on the revelation which has come to me year after year, bit by bit, that our individual consciousness is the depth of this entire universe—and that the entire universe is to be found within our individual consciousness. In other words, the kingdom of God, the

kingdom of allness, the kingdom of beauty, the kingdom of holiness, the kingdom of completeness is within you.

242 B 1958 Maui Open Class
“Contentment”

Search: “home has been”

From Spiritual Discernment

...If through some unbelief, disbelief, or ignorance, our body, fortune, or our home has been destroyed, let us not be concerned. If we had a crop of fruit and had eaten it, given it away, or the wind had blown it away, we would be ready and waiting for a new crop. The tree is still there, and if the wind blew the tree away, there is life in the earth to develop more trees. Always Consciousness, which is the original essence or substance, is present. Consciousness is the source and regardless of what effect disappears, it is important to recognize immediately that it is only effect. Cause is invisible. Even the seed is not the cause. That which produced the seed is Cause, and a seed is not even necessary.

Spiritual Discernment
Chapter 7 – “Is”

From The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Five

... Open your consciousness to the inflow of the divine Spirit which is already within you, which is awaiting your own recognition and acknowledgment. Then be patient for a few weeks or months until that Spirit begins to flow out in a continuous stream, and you will find that if your business has been broken, it will be raised up again; if your home has been broken, it will be raised up again; if your health has been broken, it will be raised up again; if age has descended upon you, it will flee, and youth return. All this happens as the Spirit of God descends upon you. Go within, become

quiet and still until the peace that passeth understanding fills your heart and mind and soul.

The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Five
Chapter 9 – “Praying Aright”

Search: “that the silver”

From The 1955 Kailua Study Group

...We learn that even when it comes to our sense of physical supply, silver and gold, or body or health, that it's God's and not ours. How much is it? How much is there of it then? If it's God's, it is infinite. The moment we think of it as ours, there comes this sense of finiteness, and regardless of how much we take in, there's always nothing left over. Whereas in the realization that “the silver is mine,” the gold is mine, this wisdom is God's; this Spirit is God's, then the more that pours out, the more is left over.

117B 1955 Kailua Study Group
“The Invisible Nature of Your Life”

Search: “of our realization”

From *God Formed Us For His Glory*

...There is an invisible robe, the garment of Spirit, and it is upon us. It clothes us; it appears outwardly as whatever clothing we need, but only because of our realization that, unseen to human sight, we are wearing the spiritual robe. We will be fed with food in the outer without taking thought, without struggle but first we must remember: I have “hidden manna. . . I have meat to eat that ye know not of.” To find our freedom from any sense of lack and limitation, we must never forget this passage: “I have meat to eat that ye know not of.” I have within my own consciousness, within my own soul,

spiritual garments, spiritual housing, spiritual transportation,
Omnipresence Itself.

God Formed Us For His Glory

Chapter 10 – “The Invisible Meat Unknown to the World”

From *God Formed Us For His Glory*

...We judge by appearances, and judging by appearances, we declare the absence of God, Spirit, the absence of good, but there is no such thing as an absence of God. There is only omnipresence, and omnipresence is functioning now; but if we do not realize omnipresence, we are going to have no fruitage tomorrow, next week, or next month, because the fruitage of next week, next month, and next year is dependent on our knowing the truth, and the only truth there is, is omnipresence. In spite of any immediate barrenness, if we want fruit in due season, we must realize omnipresence as of this moment, and omnipresence then may plant a seed; it may operate on a seed that is already planted; or it may send a shoot up above the earth. But nothing is going to happen in the future except by reason of our realization of omnipresence now.

God Formed Us For His Glory

Chapter 11 – “Infinite Uncircumscribed Being”

Search: “that which is invisible”

From The 1951 Portland Class

...The purpose of our work this week is the development of spiritual consciousness. Spiritual consciousness is the ability to see that which is invisible, to hear that which is inaudible and to be able to touch that which cannot be felt. Spiritual consciousness is the ability to know that which cannot be known. Now that is not a riddle. That is the truth of being.

46A 1951 Portland Class
“Soul Faculties”

From *Rising In Consciousness*

...All you can learn through the mind and the intellect is about spiritual freedom, but spiritual freedom itself is attained when you have touched the Christ of your own being—when you have actually felt the divine Presence within you. That's why I tell you again we are dealing with a very, very, deep subject. We are dealing with the reality, with that which is invisible to our outer senses and which therefore must be met with within our own consciousness, and each one has to do that for himself. There is no easy road. There is no royal way.

Rising in Consciousness
Chapter 11 – “Spiritual Freedom”

From *The Art of Spiritual Living*

...All that is ever offered us is love, integrity, wisdom, joy, and sharing. It is a magnificent world when we are looking out through the eyes of God, with the vision of the Master—looking out and beholding the world of God's creating. We cannot see that with our eyes and we cannot hear it with our ears. It is the music that takes place within us the moment we begin to discern that which is invisible, when we begin to hear that which is inaudible and to see that which is incorporeal. Then we understand the mystical language of “the meat that the world knows not of” and of living “not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit.” We might think that these scriptural terms are just stage settings or words in a play. They are not. They attest to reality.

The Art of Spiritual Living
Chapter 4 – “The Hidden Kingdom”

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