

**A Book about Master Jesus.
The Gospel of Andrew the Apostle**

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Andrew, addressing Jesus:
*"What will remain of your words,
When men have retold them...
When they rewrite them according to their own
understanding
And deny what they could not understand?"*

Jesus:
*"What will remain? — My Love and Tenderness,
The Light and Grace of Eternal Life!
And grains of Holy Truth
Will call souls to the Father, to Home!"*
From a conversation between
Andrew the Apostle and Jesus.

Foreword

There is an amazing opportunity given by God to the human soul, namely, the opportunity to feel God, to know God, to merge with God, to become One with Him!

This opportunity is unique! It was created by God for people! All Prophets, all Messiahs, all Spiritual Masters who came to people from God the Father spoke about this. They spoke about it in different words and in the different languages of the nations to which their Message was addressed. But the essence of the Teachings has always been the same.

This occurred in the most ancient times, of which mankind has no memory even in records and legends; it occurred many times in the currently ob-

servable history of spirituality on Earth; it is occurring now as well.

The truth about God and the meaning of human life was usually brought by the Great Teachers at a time when the decline of the spiritual component in the existence of peoples was very noticeable, and the Knowledge of God that had been brought before had already been distorted beyond recognition by priests and rulers. Then for some time, the new spiritual Teachings were spread by the direct disciples and followers of the great Masters of the Spirit. And many of them also attained the state of Divinity, which was called by different words, but meant the union of the soul, which had Fulfilled its destiny, with God.

However, there were also those who wanted to use the Power that the words of the Teachers possessed for their own popularity, for power over minds, over lands, for profit and enrichment... The knowledge was sometimes distorted beyond recognition, and many sincere seekers of the spiritual Path sometimes found themselves in a deadlock because of a loss of understanding and excessive distortion. And then prophets, Messiahs, Teachers, Masters came to the Earth and told about the steps of spiritual ascent, about cognition of God, about the Laws of Love and Harmony laid down in the foundation of development of the entire Creation.

It is important to note that even in times of spiritual decline, human souls always have a unique opportunity to touch directly any of the Great Teachers of humanity and to drink from the Eternal Source of Love and Wisdom, Purity and Beauty! There are different ways to do this — and he who seeks them

finds them, and “to him who knocks, the doors will always be opened”!

These possibilities are open for perception right now for those who will read or listen to the words spoken here with love of the heart and aspiration to God, the Creator of all things!

This book is recorded as a Revelation from Andrew the Apostle. Jesus and the Other, now Divine, Witnesses of those events also take part in it.

Conversation with Jesus and Andrew the Apostle about the Significance of Writing This Book

“Do you remember that is was once said that the main book in your life had not yet been written?... At that time, it was said that it would be a book about Jesus, a book that could be called “Master Jesus”... Almost 10 years have passed since that time and there is already a fragment of this work of yours together with Us in serving people — “The Gospel of Martha”.

Already at that time long ago, you knew that the “Gospel of Andrew the Apostle» could happen as well. You also understood at that time that you lacked much to perceive this Message in Purity and Clarity.

Today is a great day! You have reached the next level. We bless you to begin with Us this work of writing Our words! This work will take approximately two years. Take your time, but be sensitive and open to perception at all times. We will show and tell and, at the same time, teach you to be like Us through the

Knowledge that will be gradually revealed to you and all readers from the pages of this new book.

In fact, Andrew wrote this Gospel while still alive in his body. It is a very meaningful account of life with Jesus, of the Higher Spiritual Initiations, of the Sacred Knowledge. This Gospel has been preserved and will one day be revealed to mankind.

... One could spend a lifetime looking for those scrolls. But We propose otherwise — to write down what We are going to tell now, what is also relevant for many seekers and is important for you and for your friends.

Let's start today!

Listen... Look...

Touch with the soul those States of God in which We are living now. Bind these states that you, as a soul, experience with words, phrases, descriptions — and We will come to everyone who reads these written lines.

Not everyone will feel immediately the Touch of God, not everyone will feel instantly the Bliss of the Other Dimension of Beingness... While the mind doubts and the heart sleeps, there will be only a stream of events retold... But everyone who opens the soul to the Love of God will receive understanding from Us directly, according to the degree to which he or she is ready, to the degree that the soul needs now!

Be a guide, carrying what you receive!

What you learn from Us will help you to see the Truth behind the written or spoken words.

This message is not just sounding for you right now. It is a subtle and complex mechanism — as if a radio channel is broadcasting a certain Spiritual

wave. For a multitude of souls, the “waves of this Ether of Love» are being broadcast. And it is time for this message to be heard, without delaying this process in earthly time.

Let the chapters of the book of Andrew the Apostle about Master Jesus gradually become “flesh and blood”. Out of the Immaterial Light, the words will manifest on paper and the episodes of that long history will become visible to the spiritual eye. And, most importantly, the Tenderness, Light, and Love, of which these words are Divinely filled, will flow into the world!

Chapter 1: John the Baptist

We were waiting for the Messiah in those days! We waited and believed very much that He would be coming soon! We believed in a strong and formidable Divine Messenger who would conquer all enemies, bring deliverance from all oppression, and bring peace and prosperity to the people of Israel.

But instead, Jesus came with a message of Love and Peace for all the peoples of the Earth for many centuries, and millennia to come..... He came meek and humble in all the Unbreakable Power of Universal Knowledge and Divine Love!

It was not easy to comprehend this at once. And yet, I recognized Him as God's Messenger, I trusted Him with all my heart, with all my soul, and followed Him... It was not my doing at all — He *revealed* Himself to me... He chose me as a companion and helper.

He allowed me to be with Him, to follow Him all my life! To follow first until His death and resurrection, and then to follow Him still, to a life of service to people, to acceptance of the death of the body, and to the attainment of Eternal Life!

When I met Jesus, I thought I already knew God's Covenants and had good aspirations for my people. But something *special* happened and a profound transformation of the soul began. I was overwhelmed and shattered in my little knowledge by the Message of Universal Love that Jesus revealed to people. By him, I was melted down and as if born again — born in Spirit and in Truth.

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But still, I must begin my story with John, John the Baptist, as he is commonly called today. He was my first Teacher. Without the spiritual Knowledge and skills received from John, I would only have been able to perceive the outward side of what Jesus showed and told me.

So first let there be a chapter on the prophet John.

There are many stories in the Scriptures of the people of Israel about the People-Prophets who spoke directly to God. All of us in those days read and heard about it in temples and prayer meetings.

At that time I attended meetings and talks of the small community of Essenes, and I was even going to join their community. Many things became clearer to me in those gatherings of people who honor high morality.

Listening to the speeches in that congregation, I was deeply imbued with the ideas of the Essenes

about the rules of living a righteous life, about the principles of kindness and purity.

The moral standards proclaimed in this community were strict: no blood sacrifices, no recognition of one person's ability to own another as a slave, no usury, avoid luxury, be like brothers and sisters to each other, work hard, help each other in everything, take care of the weak, and use no weapons of any kind. Even some cleansing exercises were then adopted by the Essenes. For example, we did breathing exercises at dawn to strengthen the body and spirit.

I liked that kind of life and, having completed the probationary period to be accepted as a new member, I was going to become one of the brothers in the community. But there were strict rules and rituals, the meaning of which was lost and replaced only by strict obedience to the elders of the community.

There was a great reverence for Moses in that community. But none of its members had the ability to hear God or perform anything like the miracles of the Scriptures.

... But we heard that there was now a prophet in Israel named John, who could hear God and proclaimed the imminent coming of the Messiah.

Several of the people who attended the Essenes's congregation meetings, including me, went to hear John's sermons.

Seeing a living Prophet was certainly very interesting! We also wanted to dispel doubts that this was not some rogue who gathers crowds of curious people, but a true Prophet. It was said about Him that He had spent many years alone in the desert in strict as-

ceticism — and then He began to hear messages from God!

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And so we came to the place where John lived and preached.

We were shocked by what we saw and heard and did not go back to our homes or to the community. We stayed close to John for several years.

Here we were not only discovering the rules of morality and purity of souls, but the real God became a part of our daily life!

For those who only came and went, His preaching was very simple. He spoke of cleansing and repentance at the very beginning levels of the process.

For those who stayed with Him, it was different... He taught special techniques, special methods of quieting the mind and transforming the energies of the body. John had been to distant lands and knew a lot from the spiritual traditions of other peoples and from the use of spiritual practices.

He explained to us that purification of body, mind, and soul is necessary to be able to perceive the Divine!

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It is important to remind people of this! In order to become able to perceive God, a deep and comprehensive cleansing is necessary.

And we gradually learned from John how to do it.

These ways and methods are not new in the spiritual world. But I repeat this again, because so

many neglect purification and repentance when they strive with great pride to master the heights of the Spirit. This often leads to catastrophic delusions and painful falls. And it takes a long time for those who have neglected the initial steps of the Spiritual Path to get out of these broken states.

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John taught us comprehensively. He taught the transformation of both bodies and souls. The understanding of the laws of purity came to us through fasting and food purification, through understanding and accepting the commandment of not harming anyone with our thoughts, words, and deeds.

The ability to keep silence, control over speech, truthfulness, honesty even in thoughts before oneself and in words spoken to others. It may seem difficult... But if you really pay attention to your self-justifying thoughts and words, you can see so much.

The asceticism of external life, where we had almost no possessions and did not have to dream of material prosperity, was also an important part of our training. This strict simplicity of life, in which everything is directed to the knowledge of the Divine, is a definite stage marking the beginning of serious spiritual growth on the Path.

In the society of those days, as in the society of today, it was customary to judge people by their material wealth, their success in worldly life, and their influence among others...

This is not to say that people do not need to develop themselves in worldly skills and should not achieve success in earthly affairs. This also develops the body, the mind, and the soul... And without de-

velopment in the plane of material life, souls do not mature sufficiently to direct their eyes only to spiritual endeavors. But for us, at that time, John revealed a stage of spiritual growth, a stage of striving solely toward God! This is often referred to as monasticism. We did not take any special vows or oaths but simply followed the lessons of John.

Much in our life with Him was devoted to purification of bodies... It was not only ablutions, not only pure nutrition and fasting, but also energetic purification with the help of special meditative methods. Using special practices, centers of energy in our bodies were opened and inner channels of the streams of Light were purified.

We talked a lot about God, read the Scriptures, and asked John questions. And He would answer. But He didn't always answer directly, because He taught us to think for ourselves, to learn to understand rather than blindly follow what was written and read in the texts.

Slowly I came to understand that reading wise texts, listening to inspired conversations is very useful, but it cannot replace spiritual work on oneself-soul and practical meditations on developing the ability of the consciousness-soul to perceive, to feel, to think, to realize. The traps of the earthly mind immerse us in the illusion that what we have heard is already understood, but only the experience of the soul brings indestructible knowledge.

And very gradually in our lives alongside John, we came to feel the pervasiveness of all things by God, the Real Intimacy of God all the time, in every day of our lives!

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We also saw John speaking to God, speaking from God!

It was special! He was transformed during those moments in an incredible way. He became like an empty vessel through which the Divine Light reached the world. The Divine Words found a voice and sounded!

At that time, I didn't think about it, I didn't understand the difference between a Messiah and a Prophet. It was amazing to me to know that it was even possible to hear God Himself!

When we saw this happening, we began to understand how to distinguish between those moments of John's Oneness with the Primordial Creating Divine Consciousness and those moments when there was a man with us — yes, one great in spiritual feats, who had learned much, but who was separated at that moment from the Oneness with the Higher Divine Power.

John did not work miracles before us with this Power when he merged with it. He did not heal those who were suffering, but He knew this Power of the One, knew how to merge with it for a time and make the Divine Presence perceivable to us, His disciples.

He brought us closer to God and God to us through his body, his words, the meditations he gave us, and the whole way of life in which we were immersed around him!

Without this discipleship with John, I could not have become a disciple of Jesus. These were the years of insight and spiritual maturation that allowed all the most important things in my life to happen...

Chapter 2: Baptism

It is customary for me to be called “the First-Called» — for I was allowed to see Jesus and come up to Him after John had proclaimed Him before the people who had gathered for baptism by the waters of the Jordan River...

That day was special. John himself probably knew that Jesus was coming, but he did not tell us or the people who gathered to hear him preach.

John spoke at length before a large group of people who had come to hear him speak and be cleansed.

Then they came one by one to Him for the symbolic washing and baptism.

John stood in the waters of the Jordan... The sun was shining. He Himself called by name the one who was to be next baptized, for He saw the condition of the soul and the readiness to repent of former trespasses and accept purification and new life with Faith and Joy.

The person receiving baptism was immersed in the waters of the Jordan.

For most, it was only a symbol of purification, a final act of repentance. From this moment on, the ways of iniquity were rejected and faith gave strength to overcome the vices of the soul.

But for some, there was more: the mind was silent at the moment of immersion in the water, the silence was overwhelming, and the rays of the sun shone through the transparent streams. And the

States of the Divine Presence were enhanced by John himself as a Soul. For those who experienced the silence of the soul, for brief moments the space of the Great Silence and the Light of the Divine was opened! It was perceived as a miracle! The touch of the Divine state was remembered by the soul! The first experience of the reality of God occurred if the soul was ready to become aware of it. At any rate, this was the case with myself and with some of my friends whose spiritual experiences I knew well. This is what happened when John baptized us...

Almost no one who had such an experience without further training could ever reproduce it, but the memory of it remained in the soul and strengthened faith and righteousness in daily life.

He taught us, those who were left to live with John, to live again and again in the perception of the Divine World through the efforts of the soul in spiritual advancement, through spiritual practices.

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So we, John's disciples, could see and feel so much more that day. We noticed that amazing change in our surroundings as Jesus began to approach us...

Everything around us was transformed: the birds stopped their mundane chirping and sang as in the spring mating season...

And then everything around us was naturally filled with an immovable, special silence that usually required deep meditation to enter. It was as if time had slowed down...

Not all of the people present felt it. But we did see the One about whom John had told us so much

before approaching us. He was walking slowly. A special space of Light surrounded Him. This Light was not seen with the eyes of the body, but was perceived by the vision of the soul.

We couldn't take our eyes off the face of Jesus, even though outwardly there seemed to be nothing special about His very simple light clothes, the strands of His hair that glistened in the sun, or the fluid movements of His body...

We all froze in that special Divine Space that He carried with Himself-Consciousness. We were witnesses of how Jesus approached John, of how they embraced one another.

Then John performed the ordained baptism with the waters. A rainbow shone in the tiniest drops over the surface of the Jordan, signifying the Higher Radiance, Which, at the same time, was now visible to all the people present.

The manifestation of the solemnity of the moment was felt incredibly brightly. The Divine Luminosity was reflected in everything: in the tides of sunlight in the water, in the rays penetrating the leaves of the trees on the shore... This solemnity, marking the beginning of the Great Service, was also in many worlds of the Universe, which we could not yet perceive!

John said:

“Here is the Messiah! He is here! What was destined and foretold is now accomplished!”

When Jesus came out of the water, many birds, hushed for the duration of the sacrament but now rejoicing in the bliss of what was happening, circled around ... Among them was a dove, which is now

considered a symbol of the Holy Spirit, for people saw and remembered the external ...

Chapter 3. ***The Calling***

Inviting God into your life, accepting an invitation from God to live with Him, in His Life, to live that way always is a special step. It is a choice of the soul that one follows from then on and forever, no matter how difficult it may be at times!

It is not prayers, not rituals, it is not even the practice of spiritual immersions into some states, after which one can return to the usual existence in the world, like all people, and sometimes think of oneself as a highly moral and spiritual person — this is something else entirely... This is life with God! It is possible! This is how a person can live, devoting his entire life to God! To do this, one does not have to leave people to go live in a desert, one does not have to have an incarnate Divine Teacher, a Great Master of reforming and readjusting souls, nearby! God Himself helps to perform this work of transfiguration of the consciousnesses-souls entrusted to Him with the help of many types of contacts; this is a living interaction of man and God!

But we were blessed with more than that: we became companions of Jesus. We began to live in the constant presence of the Divine Master, who came into this world in the flesh!

We did not always feel the Divine State of the Great Master Jesus. Very often we began to perceive

Him in a mundane way, we could argue, insist on our own way, be offended, annoyed...

He did not make us like Himself by His Power in one moment... Always One with the Will of the Heavenly Father, He gradually taught everyone how to grow to these states, how to stay in them, how to act, being in union with the Holy Spirit.

We lived in the immediate presence of the Divine Messenger, but sometimes we lost the sense of His divinity... In our minds we always remembered that He was the Messiah, the Teacher, but in reality we lost this awareness quite often.

... However, at the first encounter, Jesus allowed each of us to feel His Love and Greatness very strongly, even though the states that we experienced were a little different for each of us.

So vivid was this first encounter for me that it left an indelible mark in the soul, awakened a great love and trust in Him, gave faith and hope, gave strength to follow the chosen path in many difficult situations...

... I don't know if it was the fulfillment of the laws of destiny or if it was because the call of Jesus was so clear. Was it my decision to choose my life path, or could it not have been otherwise? Maybe it was predestined to happen, but it was also the choice of a soul endowed from above with free will by God.

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... Jesus.

...When I first met Him there on the Jordan, it seemed as if I had always known Him before.

...Jesus came out of the waters of the river ...
And I felt that if I didn't go with Him right then, every-
thing that had come before would be meaningless.

He looked at me as if he were peering into the
unknown depths of me as a soul. It was as if He was
checking me out, looking right through me... Or
maybe He could see my probable future, which de-
pended on the choices I had to make at that moment.

He came very close to me and said: "You can
follow Me from now on!"

And I followed Him...

I only met John's gaze for a few moments.

John saw what was happening to me...

He also saw me wondering if I was betraying
Him, John, my Master, in my unrestrained pursuit of
the Supreme Master... And my earnest desire to fol-
low Jesus from now on.

John saw it all. He came up and blessed me,
"Follow Him, this is what I've been teaching you for
all this time!"

I guess he knew that we wouldn't see each other
again while our bodies were alive.

I was rushing towards Jesus with all myself-
soul... It wasn't until later, when the news of the
death of His body arrived, that I felt sorry that I had
not expressed at that moment all the words of my
love and gratitude... But the Great Masters always
know what is unspoken...

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This is how Jesus called me...

We walked in silence for a long time. But the si-
lence was not intense. I felt no embarrassment or
fear of Him. It was as if I was floating in the River of

Light. A serene bliss, peace, and happiness overtook me, swallowed me whole, and the sense of time disappeared...

In the heat of the day, we took a short rest in the olive grove. Sitting next to me was Jesus the Messiah, whose coming everyone had been waiting for! The play of light and shadows through the foliage created a special illumination and it seemed to me that everything that was happening was a bit unreal for human life: "Is this possible? Is this really happening to me?"

Then Jesus asked:

"Is that what you want, to live with Me to the very end? It won't be easy. There is another way to be devoted to God, while still living an ordinary life as a righteous person.

"You will have no other home than that of your heavenly Father, you will have no other rest than that of his Abode, you will have no other joy than that of merging with him, you will have no other love than that of his Love for everyone and for everything. Your work will be but a service, you will not receive the same wages or the same gratitude that people receive for their work, because all the fruits of your work belong only to your Heavenly Father, and people will thank Him, not you."

"Yes, Jesus, yes! You know that's all my heart longs for! Let me be close to You and learn and help!"

"Well, this is the beginning of your Path, Andrew. And it's forever!"

He touched my chest in the area of my heart with His palm — and for a while His Love became the Infinity of the Life of God in me! It happened only for

a short time, but I touched the Inclusiveness and Eternity of the Divine Being. Words cannot describe the experience of living this Love of God that comes alive within you. This experience in the memory of the soul is indelible... It cannot be expressed in words... It is the knowledge that God is Alive, God is Real! The One Universal God is manifest in your heart and His Power is in you! And it can always be so with you! After this experience, there remains only the memory of the miraculous penetration of God into the soul and the soul's movement into God's Universal Love, it cannot be retained at once...

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We approached the shore of Lake Tiberias, then often called the Sea of Galilee.

I asked Jesus:

"May I call my brother Simon, for he too has been waiting for your coming?"

"All right. Let's go and call him and others with him. Just know that each one finds his own CALL in his own hour. It is not up to you to influence it."

When I saw Simon's boat ahead by the shore and himself hanging up his nets to dry, I rushed to my brother and said to him, "There — that's the Messiah!"

Jesus approached and said: "From now on you will not catch fish, I will make you fishers for men."

We were surprised, but we didn't ask any questions.

And after that, the brothers James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were called...

And then gradually others were added to our little group, and we became twelve...

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Many people strive to find their purpose, to find meaning in their lives. This is what they call a calling. Many consider music, painting, sculpting, building, or farming as their vocation. And this is true at a certain stage of life and development of the soul. But, the bottom line for all lives is the soul's highest calling — to know their Creator-Father-God! To know and to reunite with Him into One! This is what Jesus taught us. This knowledge we later brought to people as His priceless Teachings! And the only way to approach God is to live in a state of love of the heart, because God is Love!

...Yes, this TRUTH has been repeated and is repeated many times by many Masters! But without this most tender, comprehensive, forgiving, and understanding love — Mergence with God is impossible! And only love for the Creator Himself allows us to overcome the barrier of separateness from God, to dissolve it without a trace, to become One with Him!

Chapter 4: ***On Living Near the Master***

Many people think that we, Jesus' closest companions, had a much easier time climbing all the steps of the ascent to the Divine. This is certainly true, but only partially true. Yes, we were close to Jesus at that time, we lived together for three whole years — or rather, *only* three years... For more than a thousand days we were with Him all the time... Each

moment was almost as significant as an entire life. But at first we did not fully realize the great significance of these minutes, hours, and days spent near the Master.

We certainly rejoiced in the great joy of being chosen by Him to be His closest disciples and companions! But there was much misunderstanding about how and why Jesus acted in each particular situation. We were often puzzled that He did not use the Great Power He possesses, when He could have changed events and circumstances by His will alone...

At times we were overcome with doubts, confusion, and misunderstanding. It seemed to us that since there is a Divine Teacher on Earth, all people should believe, see and understand the Truth at once! We saw that the power of Jesus is boundless, and we were convinced of it many times. It would seem that if He were to manifest this power, everything in the world would change! But He did not do it; instead, He taught, explained, and told parables... Even Jesus did not heal all those who wanted to be healed... We did not understand many things at that time, but we loved and trusted Jesus without limits.

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Here is an episode — one of many:

... It was chilly that day.

Rain clouds were to our right and left, but above us the sun was shining and the blue of the sky could be seen.

“Do you do this for us, Jesus? Do you move the clouds away from us?» — John asked.

“No, of course not, John!

“Is it worth wasting Divine Power just to disperse clouds? Even if our bodies and clothes get wet from the rain, is that a big problem? Today, the Heavenly Father Himself took care of us in this way. Maybe tomorrow He will send us and others strong rain and wind for our benefit. And this will be His Gift too.

And you will see again how every Gift of the Heavenly Father serves the good!”

... And sure enough, the next day the weather turned bad.

The streams of rain and the cold wind were very strong, and there was nowhere to take shelter at all.

Remembering Jesus' words from the day before, we tried not to murmur or ask Him to stop the wind and rain. Soon a small poor shack appeared ahead.

A family lived in it — a husband, a wife, their four children and an elderly grandfather. These people were very poor. But they welcomed us with great care. They were kind, not knowing who their guest was, but simply welcomed the drenched and hungry travelers. They shared their poor shelter and meager food with us. There were many of us... In sharing the last of their food with us, they were kind and generous!

Jesus responded to them with hidden spiritual gifts. At first, small miracles were revealed. The people were puzzled to see that the food they had brought to the table did not diminish when it was put into bowls. The food was shared and there was enough for both the hosts and us. And there was as much left as there was before. The food tasted and smelled so wonderful, even though it was simple in appearance, for it was the humble food of the poor. The food itself was magically transformed.

The eldest girl filled a bowl for her grandfather who was lying on a bed in the corner of the hut. She wanted to feed him herself, since his arms and legs were paralyzed.

The sick old man uttered:

“I don't need food, I need other things now... I see that our guest is a holy man! Have compassion on me, Lord, and pray for me, for the time has long since come, and I am still not dead! It grieves me to be a burden to my son's family. I have not gotten out of bed for over a year.”

Jesus spoke affectionately to the old man:

“It is not time for you to go yet. Today you will hear important things about God that will make a difference before you go to your Heavenly Father. Get up, come to the table and have a meal with us all!”

And the old man suddenly felt strong and rose from his bed. Everyone looked in amazement at this already great miracle of healing!

At the meal, Jesus spoke about the purpose of human life. That heart-love, kindness, and humility reveal in souls the ability to see God, to hear Him, to understand His instructions and to live in harmony with the Divine Will — in big and small things.

And the Radiance of the Divine enveloped the whole space of that poor hut, and understanding penetrated into the souls of all present. And the first touch of the Living Divine Love happened for these people. And we all also tasted the Heavenly Gifts of Love and Wisdom at this meal.

Afterward, Jesus said to us:

“Have you noticed now how wise we were to rejoice in the rain and wind? It was the weather that guided us to the house where we were needed. This

is how God can guide people when they do not yet have a direct understanding of His Will.”

... And the next day many people gathered near that poor shack to hear that an old man who had been paralyzed for more than a year had been healed by Jesus.

And we witnessed Jesus' wonderful sermon about the purpose of life, about kindness, about generosity, about compassion for our neighbors. On that day, Jesus healed many people who asked him for help.

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And God often directed our Path on Earth in such ways.

Jesus knew God's plan in advance, but he patiently showed us how to understand and accept the divine guidance.

We learned from Jesus how to help people. How to live with God always! And how we need to talk about God with people who are very different in their soul characteristics!

Sometimes we were received with luxury in rich homes. Sometimes fasting and deprivation in the outside world were forced upon us by circumstances and we learned humility...

Yes, we learned not to ask Jesus for miracles that would satisfy our desires. For example, to reduce the heat of the day and lower the chill, to warm us on a cold night, to rest from long-distance treks... We found the natural shade of olive trees and hid there from the scorching sun, we warmed ourselves at night by the fire, we overcame hunger and fatigue and were strengthened in spiritual strength. And we

gradually tried to comprehend the wisdom of Jesus in each of His acts. Sometimes we witnessed miraculous healings or materializations and even resurrections from the dead... We saw souls returning to bodies ready for burial, the blind seeing, lepers healed... We saw that there is no limit to the Power that Jesus can manifest.

... And there were many things that we did not understand at that time. We didn't understand why Jesus didn't always manifest His divine power. It seemed to us that it would be so easy to make everyone believe by showing great miracles again and again. And the understanding that it is impossible to force love, that love is awakened in another way... — did not come to us at once.

Chapter 5: On the Healing of Souls and Bodies and the Preaching of the Truth

Many times we witnessed Jesus instantly cure incurable diseases.

But it sometimes surprised us that He did not heal everyone...

Once, there were two people with similar problems among those being healed. Both were on crutches and could hardly walk because of serious problems with their legs.

One of them was instantly cured by Jesus — and the happy man went and praised Jesus.

Jesus had a long talk with the other lame man, but complete healing did not take place.

And this man, leaving Jesus, with anger and curses told everyone that Jesus could not cure his illness, that everything that was happening around him was only a performance by people familiar to Jesus.

The man shouted angrily: “Wake up, people! There were no blind people here who had received their sight! They pretended to be blind by closing their eyes, they only pretended to find their way with a stick... They did it all to glorify this charlatan! And those who didn't walk and suddenly could walk — all these people are faking it! They all have been bought with money by this Jesus and his disciples! Look, I was lame, and I am still lame. Don't believe it, this Jesus is a liar!”

This man was outraged for a long time... And we realized that he would continue to slander in the future. He would always speak badly about the Master... And Jesus Himself did not try to change this, even though He always had the Great Power of the Father at His disposal to cure any disease, to control people's thoughts and emotions.

That time, Jesus only spoke a few words to us:

“Yes, there is Power to cure..., but there is no Will of the Heavenly Father. This man must still learn the lessons of wisdom and kindness... After all, this disease is one of the signs of fate that the soul itself is sick and badly needs healing. And without spiritual efforts on the part of man the Divine miracle of healing does not take place.

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Soon after this incident, we dared to ask Jesus why we still have so few followers, why He does not show His Great Power to people so that all may believe in Him at once. Why He allows Himself to be slandered and hated.

We were sitting around a small fire in the evening and no strangers were around.

My brother Simon began to ask questions, and we all listened to the Master's words.

Simon said:

“Tell me, Jesus, how much do people need what we are giving them now? Why are there so few who understand and accept us?”

Jesus looked around at all of us:

“Why do you doubt, you who walk with Me?”

Simon went on to talk about what was so confusing to our minds:

“It is not doubt, Jesus, it is another thing... So few of those who listen to You have truly believed... And those who have realized that mere faith is not enough, that they need to make efforts to transform themselves as souls — they are very few. And those who will continue to live as You teach, will there be many of them in years to come?”

Jesus looked carefully for a long time into the distance, into a future that was only revealed to Him, and then He answered:

“All this multitude of people, who listen to Me, but do not hear Me now, — they will hear it later, from those who now understand and aspire with their souls to the Creator! And those who find Unity with the Heavenly Father — they will help the others!

“Do not worry, neither now nor afterward, that the result of your deeds is hardly visible to you. Your labor is a gift to God! Do not seek reward for what you have done for God!

“And right now the time is not for reaping, but for sowing the seeds of Love and Truth. And the harvest... — it will multiply year after year, century after century... And this result belongs to the Heavenly Father, not to us...

“Live only for God, and then He takes full responsibility for the whole series of events in your lives, and even the time to leave the body will be appointed by Him for each of you. And even the way you will accept death in order to be in His Abode — all this will be managed by God, when you dedicate all your thoughts and deeds and all the love of your soul to Him!

“Remember My words, because all the people whom you will help in the future will need to understand this! Both those people who are already wisely building their lives with God, and those who are just awakening to begin the path of love in their destinies!

“You are now looking with condemnation at people who do not listen to Me or even reject the Teachings that I have brought to the Earth. But My Father and I love them too, and this gives us hope that they too will open to the Love of God, even if it is not soon.

“This is the way everything is designed and arranged in the Divine Laws of the Universe.

“And there will be a time when the Great Love in the lost souls will be able to melt the barriers of vices and call them to purification, and will awaken their reciprocal love for the Heavenly Father! This will be

their chance to realize the Divine and to change and transform themselves for God. But this is only a chance, an opportunity, which a person will decide to accept or not to accept. And this is the freedom of will, the freedom of choice of the soul...

“When you yourselves look also, as I do now, from the Depths of the Abode of the Father, you will know how significant is even the small progress towards God of every soul!

“I look at souls from the Love of the Universal Heavenly Father and know everything about each soul: both the past and the future that is possible...

“My love does not run out and is flowing to all. And there is only regret for those people who, by their mistakes, persistently bring misfortune and suffering upon themselves, thus unreasonably prolonging and complicating their spiritual paths.

“I see for everyone the happiness that the soul can find in the Embrace of the Father. And if the soul is deaf, blind, and crippled by vices and delusions, and moves away from the Light and seeks darkness, then I treat such people as sick suffering people, and not as enemies...

“The Heavenly Father's love heals! But it heals the soul first, not the body. And the body must sometimes undergo sufferings in order to be cleansed from the filth of sins and vices, to understand many things.

“You have seen it happen many times! Sometimes those who hated Me yesterday become My disciples today.

“See how you now sympathize with those unfortunate people who wish to be freed from disease and other afflictions! But you do not see how they reject-

ed God and how they sinned before. But it must be remembered that they have suffered in their lives by violating God's precepts and neglecting His Love at a time when they had the opportunity to open themselves to giving Him and all other creatures care and love.

“... Now you have received the answer to your unasked aloud question about why I heal some people and do not heal others...

“For the one who has already drunk the whole cup of suffering, repented and realized his mistakes and atoned for his guilt — a favorable moment comes and it is possible to pour out all the Grace of the Heavenly Father and fully restore the body.

“For others, that cup of deserved suffering is still full. And as long as they have not drained the cup, I can only ease their way of recovery, the way through faith and love. And their burden will be lighter, and their destiny will lead them to happiness faster, and the streak of misfortunes in their lives will end sooner, but not right now.”

... We listened and marveled at the Wisdom of Jesus... But we had to go through many trials to learn to love as wisely, and to see as deeply.

Chapter 6.

Healing the Deaf

I would like to tell you about the life with Jesus, every hour, every day, but that would be too much. It would overwhelm the readers with an excess of information that cannot be fully absorbed. Therefore,

let only selected episodes reveal how we lived back then.

I hope that on these pages, you will find not just a biography or a mere account of the events and miracles that accompanied us on our journey with Jesus. When the words of Jesus, spoken in those times, are recorded, they can resonate again and again in the souls of people who read or hear them. This is how the presence of Jesus multiplies in the lives of such people.

The words of the Divine Teachers are unique! By listening to them, people have the opportunity to touch the Great Love and Wisdom of the Masters, to feel and remember the states of Their Peace and Blissful Tenderness.

After all, Jesus is offering His Love to everyone right now! You can open up and accept this Radiance of Divine Love.

What does it mean to accept? — It means to feel it vividly, fully, consciously, and then to live in such a way and try to give such love to others... It is as if empty vessels are filled with Divine Grace, and from these vessels, you can **quench** the thirst of others.

And then, again and again, Grace descends, fills, and overflows those who give their love and those who receive it! Such souls grow in the Divine Light!

There is joy in receiving Love from Jesus and from the Heavenly Father. When a person realizes that God rejoices over their love, the bliss of God's Responsive Love is felt very vividly, and **the** Heavenly Father embraces with His Tenderness! And then, one can understand how beautiful it is to share love with others from this spiritual fullness.

It is the greatest happiness: when, together with the Heavenly Father, one gives Love to others! When you can give God's Love together with God, allowing the Streams of Light-Bliss to pass through yourself as a soul and your body, it is an unforgettable experience! That's how a person connects with God!

This happiness is the inheritance of Divine Souls, but it is also accessible to all **those who sincerely serve the Heavenly Father and learn the labor of such giving in union with the Great Will, even in the early stages of the spiritual Path!**

Then, gradually, at some point, your spiritual practice, your meditation, becomes special, and “doing” ceases, giving way to non-doing. You become like an obedient instrument in the Divine Hands. **The Heavenly Father pours out His Love on others with His Generous Hand, and you are merely an instrument in His Hand. Blessed a hundredfold is the one who is able to give the highest Bliss **to** others in union with the Supreme Will! If a person is filled with Divine Love, their highest joy lies in giving this Unconditional Love.**

But I got carried away with my thoughts...

I will continue the story of how we learned to live life with God alongside Jesus.

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Almost every day of our journey with Jesus was accompanied by miraculous events and healings. Whenever people gathered to listen to Jesus' preaching, there were always sick among them who would recover by just being near Him. Some of the sick were brought or carried to Jesus, and He often healed them. Learning about such miracles, huge

crowds of people gathered, eager to see it with their own eyes or to receive healing from their own illnesses.

This happened repeatedly.

Deaf and mute individuals regained their hearing to hear the words of God, and after gaining the ability to speak, they testified to the reality of Divine Love and Grace. The blind regained their sight, the paralyzed began to walk, and severe illnesses disappeared without a trace. Sometimes these healings were instantaneous, while other times, bodily transformations were not complete or immediate but stretched over time. However, the most important aspect was the healing of souls, which may not be visible externally but transforms destinies and helps people strive toward the Divine.

For me, the understanding of inner transformation became very clear through the story of healing a deaf person. We observed this man, who had lost his hearing after a severe illness in his youth, following us relentlessly for three weeks. He would sit quite far away during Jesus' sermons, and yet, we could see that he was listening to the Lord's words.

I was very interested in what was happening to him, how he perceived things when his ears could not hear words. But it was evident from the expressions on his face that he understood everything. He laughed at jokes and amusing stories that Jesus sometimes told or shed tears of repentance when Jesus, in His words directed towards souls, helped him see his flaws and gave him the resolve and strength for purification and transformation.

After these three weeks, the man approached Jesus and expressed gratitude for the miracle of

healing. Not everyone present believed in this transformation because, in three weeks, we had moved far away from the places where everyone knew he was deaf.

After the crowd dispersed, I approached him and asked him about what had happened to him during those days.

He shared, slowly choosing his words, that initially, he felt so much love and bliss that he couldn't move away and followed us from a distance, but continuously. Then he began to understand the meaning of what was said. He had been taught to read and write, and the study of sacred texts was the greatest joy in his life. But with Jesus by his side, the understanding of everything he had tried to grasp before began to fill and overflow from within him in a unique way. He was awestruck by this realization of Truth. It was as if heavy veils were lifting from the soul with each passing minute, with each passing hour. And then, the voice of Jesus resounded within him. He could hear the Teacher's words more and more clearly. While he still couldn't hear other sounds, and the speech of those around him remained inaudible, Jesus' words sounded within him vividly and distinctly. This was an understanding of how to live with God. He made the decision to live this way. He didn't pray for healing, didn't think it was possible; he simply accepted the continuous Divine Influence. And then, in one moment, he regained his hearing... And at that moment, he went to Jesus and expressed his gratitude for the miracle that allowed him to comprehend the Words of God, transforming his life and destiny.

We got accustomed to such amazing occurrences quite rapidly. Usually, we were more aston-

ished by external rather than internal transformations because we didn't always understand and see what was happening in the souls of those who listened to Jesus' words. It was only gradually that we came to realize that, just as in the story of the man who regained his hearing, transformation begins from within, and that's when healing becomes possible. This can be the case for both physically healthy and ill individuals!

The miracles that occurred in the presence of Jesus attracted more and more people. The crowds surrounding us during the sermons gradually grew. We went to new villages and cities, and there, Jesus continued his work of nurturing those who came and accepted His teachings from the Living Divine Messenger.

One day, a man approached Jesus and asked for help.

"I healed you before,» Jesus said to him.

"You even remember that, Teacher! How do you remember? Yes, that's true, but the illness has returned... Everything is bad again."

"Do you know why this is happening?"

"Yes, I do. I sinned again, knowingly, aware that I was sinning. It's my fault. I didn't follow your guidance."

"What do you want now?"

"I'm appealing to your mercy once again! Save me!"

"Whoever stumbles because of ignorance, is anyway responsible. But those, who know the right way, and still transgresses their conscience again and again, are much more guilty before God."

“Yes, that’s what I’ve come to understand today, Jesus, and I repent.”

“Aren’t you afraid of multiplying your problems in your life by asking me to heal you again?”

“Yes, I’m afraid, but I believe you’ll help me overcome my vices...”

“But why don't you see the help in the return of your illness? At times, God reminds people of Himself through suffering... Sadly, it’s only suffering that teaches most people to remember God and have faith in Him. But it is possible, without waiting for pain and suffering, to transform our lives and correct the flaws of the souls! Well, I will help you once again now... But remember, you have power over your vices and can prevent them from taking root. Listen to your conscience and act righteously.”

The man, tearfully grateful, fell at Jesus's feet. Jesus raised him up:

“May your gratitude be in a righteous life and in helping everyone God brings to you. You now know the commandments of Good and the Divine Power through your own experience. You can help others understand this...”

Then Jesus continued:

“For today, enough has been said and done! You are all before the Heavenly Father, and His mercy and love are always with you!”

And with that, we left for the hut where we were allowed to spend the night.

Many people heard and saw all of this. Some began to pray to God for the fulfillment of their wishes, while others expressed gratitude for the understanding and reminders about what matters most through difficulties...

Chapter 7.

Mary Magdalene

Now, for those reading these lines, it may be difficult to imagine, but we, the closest companions of Jesus, sometimes did not fully agree with Him on everything. His actions sometimes puzzled us. Yet, even then, we absolutely believed that He was Divine, that He was the Messiah, the Savior of the world!

However, the human mind, not yet immersed in the spiritual heart, not yet accustomed to thinking in love, has a natural tendency not only to remember, understand, and contemplate but also to easily generate a desire to criticize the incomprehensible and even condemn it.

Of course, we tried not to show Jesus these occasional problems that arose in our minds. And, of course, Jesus saw and knew everything! Sometimes, mentally and emotionally, we could disagree with His actions that did not fit into our understanding at the time. Sometimes we discussed it among ourselves, sometimes argued. Sometimes, we would ask Jesus. And Jesus patiently taught us understanding, acceptance, and agreement with thoughts, emotions, and actions. He taught us, sometimes intentionally not explaining everything in words, so that we could find the answers ourselves.

Even then, He knew how difficult it would be for us to achieve full unity with each other and with God in our thoughts and in the deeds of spiritual service when His physical presence was no longer with us. How challenging it would be for us to decide “who is

right?” and “what to do?”. Jesus **was already teaching us** us to address questions to the Heavenly Father and receive answers from God, to seek the depth of understanding through the dissolution of personal “I” in Divine Love and Wisdom!

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It was precisely in connection with Mary Magdalene that there were quite a few situations **that perplexed us** during the early days of her life with us! A woman with an imperfect past became a companion and disciple of Jesus. We did not understand why we had to deal with so many problems and dirty gossip when we were already facing criticism and persecution from those who held spiritual or secular power. Even ordinary people sometimes looked disapprovingly at Mary’s presence next to Jesus.

This became our next **trial**, because the role of women in the beliefs of that time was supposed to be different: a woman’s place was in the kitchen, her duty was to serve, wash, clean... that was the norm. Mary, of course, tried to do all this for Jesus and for all of us, considering it her duty, but it was not enough for us to accept the situations that kept repeating.

We could not forget her story. We witnessed the revelation that Mary was “impure,» that she committed adultery with a married man, for which they wanted to stone her, and Jesus intervened. And not only did He intervene, but she was accepted by Him and became His disciple.

It greatly offended us that Jesus treated her as an equal among us, and sometimes He even highlighted her love, tenderness, humility, care, and devo-

tion as the most important qualities of the soul that pleased the Heavenly Father. And here she **was**, walking with us, eating with us, resting beside us, listening with us. He **kissed** her on the lips, **stroked** her hair, **approved** her words or her silence. He **cared** for her more than us. **When she was** utterly exhausted, He **could** make her rest almost forcibly, while He **started** preparing food and accommodation Himself, or **suggested** that we do the washing, cooking, at times when we thought it was Mary's responsibility to do it for all of us. It bothered us, and sometimes we didn't fully realize it, but we were deeply disturbed by it internally.

And those around us added fuel to the fire: how can He be a Prophet, let alone the Messiah, when there's a harlot next to Him, and He allows her to approach Him?

We loved Jesus, and we saw that Mary loved Jesus, and that saved us when our minds couldn't give us answers or agreement.

Gradually, the most important understanding, repeatedly learned through our experience, came to us: only *love* helps overcome all difficulties on the spiritual Path. Through Mary's humility, through her words and actions, we also learned this. Physical fatigue, anxiety about the future, the hatred of others towards us — Mary hardly noticed all of this because her love for Jesus overfilled her.

One day, my brother Simon, unable to restrain himself, burst out and said to Mary quite sharply:

“You're a woman, and you should know your place, yet you constantly try to be close to the Teacher!”

“Yes, I know... I'm just a grain of sand clinging to His feet... And His mercy is that He carries me instead of shaking me off like a hindrance.”

“Aren't you afraid that Jesus will drive you away? That He won't allow you to always be like this, close to Him?”

Mary thought for a moment, then replied with a tender smile:

“No... I'm not afraid... If He drives me away, then I will die on that day... In Him is my entire life!”

At that moment, Jesus approached and said:

“He who loves Me as she does is always in My Heart! Know this, Mary, and all of you, when My physical body is no longer with you... I will still be with you in Spirit!”

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Through Mary's example, we saw again and again that “love is patient, kind. It does not envy, love does not boast, it is not proud, does not behave rudely, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.”¹

It's one thing to hear these words and understand their profound truth, and another to truly become such love and live that way! Mary demonstrated this without any deliberate intention, without contemplating how or what she was doing. In her love for Jesus, she completely forgot about herself. Her absolute devotion to Jesus allowed her to experience the Heavenly Father, with **Whom Jesus is One.**

¹ [1Cor.13].

Sometimes her fearlessness, her loyalty, and her faith amazed us and served as an example. We learned to love Jesus, we learned to love and accept each other, we learned to direct our love to the Heavenly Father. We gained **the** knowledge that only love provides the opportunity for **mergence**, dissolution, and existence in Unity!

Through our own experience, we realized that it is the Fire of Divine Love that burns, melts away any problem in our lives!

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Over time, I developed a very trusting relationship with Mary. This friendship with Mary and her older sister Martha meant a lot to me, it was significant! I gained a deep understanding of men and women on the spiritual **Path** during that time. I saw through Mary's example how a woman, guided by unconditional love, walks the spiritual **Path**. Jesus taught us that men and women equally have the right and can approach God, to experience Unity with the Heavenly Father. And sometimes, **it is even easier for the possessors of female bodies**, especially if they are truly led by a Divine Master.

Mary's love for Jesus was pure, boundless, and vast as the heavens. One day, I asked Mary:

“What do you dream of? What do you expect from the future?”

“Nothing... Jesus has given me everything one could dream of... and much more. You see, Andrew, all of you were worthy of His Grace when He called you, but I was not. How can I describe the miracle experienced by a sinner when the happiness and mercy received were not deserved after years of a

righteous life? Without being worthy, I received so much... I receive the **G**reat **G**ifts of **L**ove every moment now! Even when His body is not here, I have learned to feel His **L**ove! His Heavenly Light, which is now within me, is a greater miracle than all the external miracles we witnessed when He healed or multiplied food. I feel His presence all the time, day and night... The **S**un of His **L**ove now always shines in my heart!”

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Jesus once said to us:

“Do not think that only very serious and wise listeners are needed for me now. I came to help those who need help. Food is needed for the hungry, water for the thirsty, healing for the sick, comfort for the suffering. I give faith to those who do not yet believe; I give understanding to those who seek the Truth. I give knowledge of God the Father to those who have matured in Spiritual Love and seek only Wisdom and knowledge of Higher Being! I cherish equally those who are taking their first steps on the spiritual Path and those who are resolutely advancing towards the Summits. I am pleased to see those who are simply happy to sit and listen to me with trust, even if they do not understand everything yet. This is the guarantee of their future success! I am happy to open the doors to the Chambers of the Heavenly Father for those who are able and worthy to enter! This is the task of the spiritual sower — to sow and cultivate the seeds of love in the field of the spiritual. God is LOVE! And only with pure and wise love is the opportunity given to become One with the Heavenly Father! God the Father is that Boundless Primordial Con-

sciousness that begets Love itself, allowing the Power of Love to exist, to create lives, and to form worlds.”

Chapter 8.

Symbols and Images, the Silence of the Soul

In those times, we referred to the Sea of Galilee as the Tiberias Lake...

A fishing boat often became our most convenient means of transportation. Sometimes, standing on the boat, Jesus preached to the people gathered on the shore. It was mesmerizingly beautiful: the natural amphitheater of the bay, listeners scattered along the shore, and calm waters. The figure of the Teacher on the boat reflected in the water...

He was always easily heard, even when thousands of people gathered.

... I came to love the expanses of water during our wanderings with Jesus with a special love. The watery expanse to the horizon. External silence and the unique *silence of the soul*. The measured gentle lapping of waves always helps enter this *silence*.

The sea easily and naturally teaches a person many things: understanding the silence of the soul, realizing the insignificance of human bodies compared to the watery expanse to the horizon, and gaining knowledge of Divine States through the expansion of the refined soul in such vast spaces.

Jesus taught us many things on these shores. He often used symbols and images of water in rivers, seas, and oceans. He told us that we were just beginning to understand, and only later did we fully grasp the depth of what was said.

We experienced many sunrises and sunsets with Him by the sea. Sometimes this happened in complete silence, sometimes we listened to the Teacher's words about the Divine. His words, all those episodes of life with Him, were imprinted on the soul so brightly that they helped us immerse ourselves in the merging with Him and deeply understand what we heard but did not fully comprehend at the time.

Jesus spoke, explaining many things with living examples. Among other things, He showed us how easily and naturally nature demonstrates to us the Laws of the Supreme Divine Order.

For example, a river flows into the sea, and their waters become one. Or you can see the nature of waves, its unity with all the waters of the vastness of the sea. Sea water becomes a wave for a while, carrying the power of the sea. The wave does not detach from the sea but remains a part of it. And then calm comes again, and there are no waves — only calmness and the peace of the sea. Here's another example: a drop of water in the depth of the sea, a drop forever losing its boundaries and knowing the entirety of the power of the boundlessness of the sea...

Jesus explained to us that the soul learns to know Unity with God in the same way, dissolving itself like a drop in the depth of the water or flowing into the Divine Unity, like a great river, and finding Union in the Depths. He also spoke about how the

Divine Soul can manifest Itself, appearing temporarily as a Great Wave, one with the entire Ocean, without detaching from the All-Oneness of the Divine, and then dissolve itself again in the Infinity of the Original Divine Consciousness.

Jesus also spoke about how important it is to understand that without the experience of living these states of Union with God, such images are only symbols in the mind, like parables whose meaning is yet to be deciphered...

And, of course, Jesus taught us spiritual practices to attain true Knowledge because no words, no matter how strongly believed, can replace the experience of a soul that has felt in this experience another Living Divine Reality.

Jesus Himself often remained immersed in the Union with the Heavenly Father. We saw that He was *There* where we were not yet allowed to enter...

And we dreamt that our time would come.

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Tranquility of the mind, the ability to dissolve – are crucial on the spiritual Path. Immersing consciousness *in the silence* of the spiritual heart is a paramount step. Jesus taught us such *silence*, which replaces the ordinary human mind with a perceptive, loving, seeing, and hearing state of the soul. This kind of *silence* allows one to experience the unquestionable reality of the Peace, Love, and Tenderness of the Heavenly Father. To have such an experience and then repeatedly enter this *Divine silence* is very significant.

For me, the experience of living and learning with John the Baptist was a great help at that time

because I already knew the techniques and ways of entering *inner silence*, which allowed me to work on myself-soul more effectively. But many of us were just beginning to learn how to enter the *silence of the soul* at that time. We often asked Jesus how to easily stop the turmoil of thoughts and storms of emotions, how to learn to be in states of love constantly. Only when Jesus Himself immersed us in Divine Love and Peace with His Power did we easily experience it...

Once, Philip asked Jesus:

“How can we learn to always live *in the inner silence of the soul*? The moment You stop helping us, anxiety of the mind and the bustle of thoughts overcome us again.”

Jesus cast a gentle glance upon us, attentive to Him:

“Haven't you felt how simple it is by now? *The Holy silence* is present everywhere, always! Both inside you and beyond the body, everywhere, *silence* is universal and eternal. Regardless of the noise and commotion happening around, this motionless transparent *silence* is present—it doesn't disappear. Only when your attention is fully focused on what is moving, making noise inside you, or capturing attention from outside, you cease to feel the space of the eternal and beautiful *silence* in which we always exist!

“Close your eyes for a moment now... — and listen. My voice sounds inside you and outside of you. And that bird in the distance... do you hear it? And the gentle rustle of olive leaves, do you hear it? The entire space, transparent and quiet, is now filled by you — by your soul — to hear this. Don't make special efforts to hear the *silence* — it comes by itself,

enters the souls. Here I will be silent for a while, and *the transparent silence* becomes audible, manifest. It is felt when calmly and attentively you simply observe the space of Divine Being. God is here in everything! Right now, He is here with all His Love. The transparent *beauty of silence* can be discovered, known right now. And it is *now* there all the time!

“In this very moment, you, as souls, have filled this small valley in all directions from the bodies. There, in the distance, the river murmurs, the wind sometimes carries sounds from a distant village... and beyond that — there is the sea, all its vastness... And there, the rhythmic sound of waves can be heard... Where are these sounds manifested? — They resonate in *the silence* of you as souls...

“We were astonished, overwhelmed by the *silence*. There were no more thoughts; there was no desire to move or do anything. The space of a different dimension of being unfolded: *the space of silence*, eternal and boundless peace, where God is evident!”

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Certainly, we had to return ourselves to the *Divine silence* again and again. We learned to listen to the Voice of Jesus in this *silence* and to understand His words, perceiving the Knowledge with ourselves as souls. We learned to immerse ourselves *in silence* before sleep, contemplating the infinity of the starry sky or the fire of the bonfire. We learned internal silence amid the noise of human crowds... and gradually, God became more and more evident in this *silence*!

It is precisely this *silence* that allows one to hear the Voice of the Heavenly Father. It doesn't necessarily have to be audible like a human voice in ordinary life. There, other Laws and Understanding may come without words, all-encompassing... When we achieve *inner silence* and peace of mind, the Guidance of God becomes evident!

Chapter 9. On the Miracles of Jesus, on Fear, and on Fearlessness

The concerns of the authorities and clergy grew as the crowds of people around Jesus grew. We began to be persecuted as “disturbers of the peace”.

The tension intensified after the resurrection of Jairus's daughter. Jesus brought the girl back to life and this was shocking to the many people witnessing it. Jairus was a prominent man—the leader of the synagogue and was considered a person of high standing who was obligated to follow all the rules and rituals of the Jewish people. This highly respected man, surrounded by the crowd, approached Jesus and asked Him to heal his twelve-year-old only daughter who was on the brink of death.

Amid this large gathering, a servant from Jairus's house came out and told him: “Your daughter has died, do not trouble the Teacher...” but we followed Jesus as He went into that house where everyone was overcome with grief. Jesus then changed

what seemed irreparable as He restored the soul to the girl's body!

First, Jesus filled the entire space of the house with Divine Presence. We had already learned to sense this and watched the miracle from a distance. As He approached the girl's bed, Jesus asked the parents to step aside and stand by the wall.

Then Jesus' became almost completely motionless for quite a while as He held his palms over the girl's body radiating a special energy. To us it seemed as if the Divine Light enveloped her and then the girl took a breath and sat up on the bed.

Jesus still held her hands for a sometime longer.

After all of this had happened, Jesus, addressing Jairus and his wife, said:

“She was just sleeping; I woke her up. Now she is completely healthy and do not worry.”

Many people witnessed that the girl's body had been lifeless and cold for quite some time...

Jesus asked those who witnessed this miracle not to talk about it, but the rumors of Jesus' incredible healings were already spreading throughout the land of Israel.

There were numerous witnesses to these miraculous healings and as the stories spread from mouth to mouth, they stirred up many. Relatives of many of the sick and/or deceased individuals, as well as those who suffered themselves, dreamed of experiencing such miracles.

This could not go unnoticed by people of authority, both secular and spiritual: “Who is this person who can heal the incurable diseases and even raise the dead?” “How should those who teach the

Torah react to this?” “Is it true that this person is a Prophet, the Messiah?” “How should representatives of secular authority, such as the Roman governors, deal with such a person?” All of this became a very big problem.

Imagine if, today a Man came from God, who boldly and openly proclaimed Himself as the Messiah, the Avatar, the Son of God, possessing the fullness of Divine Power, and at times demonstrating this Power before the nations.

As soon as the influence of such a God-Man spreads throughout it could undermine the authority and the religious cults, and as a result they inevitably began to closely monitor Him and declare Him a false prophet, leading to the persecution of both Him and His followers. This pattern has repeated itself many times throughout the history of Earth's spirituality.

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And for us, the closest disciples of Jesus, a time of trials by fear came...

The fear of death lives in our human nature.

Every person naturally fears death and seeks to avoid suffering. Fear has a powerful impact on individuals. Initially, this trait is predetermined by God to protect bodies from unnecessary harm. However, as one progresses from the point of view of perceiving themselves solely as a body to perceiving themselves as a free soul, it becomes necessary to learn how to overcome fear. The ability to overcome fear is aided by the willingness to repeatedly face situations where one must overcome one's fear.

We had to learn this with great difficulty. Courage was not considered as an important virtue in the

traditions of the people of Israel as it was per say amongst the Romans. Roman youth were raised from childhood to be fearless warriors. For the Jew's, displaying courage was often perceived as recklessness, while prudence and caution were considered more useful qualities than fearlessness and courage.

Roman legionaries often looked with disdain at the members of our people who avoided confrontation and sought to buy their way out to avoid persecution or dangers. But it should be noted that the courage of a warrior fighting with weapons in hand and knowing his own strength is quite different from the courage of those who rely solely on the Heavenly Father...

And Jesus taught us courage, which should be shown, when necessary, when it serves the work of God. He also taught us humility and wise patience. Sometimes He did not respond to humiliations from soldiers or insults from priests with anything other than a state of Love and Peace, even though He had the Power to resist and to prove His Divinity. Often, He responded with weighty words but did not display Divine Power and Authority. Possessing Infinite Power, He used these capabilities quite rarely, only in exceptional cases for our protection. And these situations themselves became lessons for us and for all participants involved.

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Overcoming fear was indeed not an easy task for us as we were ordinary people.

... To die right now or to become crippled by the beating of stones — such the fear of pain and suffering we had to live through and overcome more than

once... Our faith in Jesus being with us and knowing that He would protect us and heal us was a great source of help.

Only by the time of my crucifixion and departure into the Father's abode did I become completely free from physical pain and the fear of death.

Perhaps only Paul resembled the Romans in his fearlessness. Time and time again, without hesitation, he threw himself into deadly situations. Paul joined us after the resurrection of Jesus.

It is indeed very important to strive to keep the body alive and healthy as the body is truly necessary for the refinement of the soul in this world!

But inevitably, all people living on Earth will have to pass through the gates of death, leaving the body behind. It is possible that soul-cleansing sufferings will act as gatekeepers in this transition. Only on the other side does Light and Love embrace the kind and pure soul, freed from the flesh.

Old age and death are inevitable in the material world, and one should prepare for the transition to other worlds without fear, in peace and love for God.

To leave the body by one's own will, to take on a bodily form again without being born – such is possible only on those levels of existence that are comparable to the Knowledge and Abilities manifested by Jesus in his earthly life.

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We encountered the fear of death again and again and continually overcame it. This process was important.

For example, once we were surrounded by a detachment of Roman cavalry with orders to arrest everyone for questioning.

Fear gripped the bodies of many of us. Running from armed warriors on horseback was utterly futile... Before the mind's eye of many of us, flashed images of imprisonment and torture...

In a state of shock, we watched as Jesus stepped forward and, looking into the eyes of the leader, calmly uttered:

“Not now! The time has not yet come!”

And the horsemen seemed to forget everything, as if they stopped seeing us, as if this encounter, these words, never happened. They turned their horses and galloped away.

...Or the story of Jesus calming the storm. This situation is known to all who have read the Gospels.

We were very frightened by the raging water storm at that time. Once again, we faced the fear of death. We watched in horror as the waves were about to engulf the boat that we were in, while Jesus calmly slept nearby. We woke Him up, and the storm immediately subsided, obedient to His Will:

“What are you afraid of when I am nearby? What concern is there when you already know the Heavenly Father?”

...Another time, a crowd became furious when Jesus said that He would not heal anyone today. Stones flew, and we were preparing for the inevitability of terrible beatings and possibly death.

Jesus stepped forward again and raised His hands in a calming and blessing gesture. We stood beside Him, stones flying, we were all covered in dust, but not a single stone touched our bodies. And

Jesus stood still before the enraged crowd, continuously looking and sending Heavenly Love... And gradually the crowd's anger subsided, and the people dispersed..., and we left for Jordan to wash our clothes.

Thus, again and again, we tried to overcome fear, strengthening our faith in the Power of Jesus and His unity with God but there was not yet that fullness of Unity with God in which there was no fear.

Still, with each occurrence, it became easier and easier for us to do so...

It is necessary on the spiritual Path to face death from time to time! It is important to assess the value of life, the possibility of the body's death right now, and our Love for God, the acceptance of His Will... And how we will face the death of this body is very important: whether we cling in panic to life or enter into love and peace into the Abode of the Almighty.

[The translation will be continued.]