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# Finding God through Divine Love

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## Chapter 1: Introduction



God exists, and God is love. Any knowledge our material minds have of God is little more than speculation; only our souls can truly know God. This is because God is soul and soul speaks only to soul; what bubbles up to our minds is at best an interpretation of what the soul knows and understands.

Our intellect, which we cherish so much and which is so indispensable to our normal daily lives, is not suited to discerning great spiritual truths. All our material minds can ever glean is a second hand, pale imitation of the truth. Faith can be thought of as the product of the deep abiding knowledge of the soul whereas the material mind has to make do with mere intellectual beliefs that are liable to change over time. Even our souls need continuous development in order to discern ever higher truths.

Trying to perceive truth through the study of myriads of spiritual teachings of variable quality, or by gaining mental impressions that originate in the deeper layers of the soul, is a haphazard way of discerning God's laws. In addition, because our souls are made only in the image of God and not of God's own actual divine soul substance, then the range of truths that we can understand at the outset of our search is extremely limited. God's reality is a divine reality and is governed by a set of divine laws. These cannot be understood until our souls have been developed to a sufficient extent by the inflow of God's divine soul essence, which opens up within us new divine soul perceptions and abilities. This divine essence is also referred to as divine love and is the most



amazing and mysterious substance in existence. It develops within us a new divine consciousness that eventually completely transcends the consciousness that we are familiar with. How else could we ever understand God?

It is a common misconception that since God made us then we are already divine, and all we have to do is meditate on, or 'polish up', what is inside us in order to realise our divine nature. This is not true. Just as God has not given every living type of entity a soul, God created human beings using a natural life essence that is not inherently divine. It is not that there's anything wrong with polishing up what is inside you - you will be very happy but you will not become divine. You can perhaps start to sense that the divine love path doesn't require you to give up anything you believe in that is making you a better person. Divine love is for everyone, regardless of existing beliefs.

God, who respects our free will, has given us the choice of whether we become divine or not. Divinity brings with it the sure knowledge of being immortal. A divine being can no more cease to exist than God can cease to exist. This is because our soul is transformed to be of the same substance as God's own soul. It is understandable that when someone goes through the process of bodily death and finds they are still alive that they assume this proves immortality. This is not the case and it is unknown whether those who lack the divine essence will continue to exist for ever or not.

Divine love also makes us free of sin and error by removing all darkness that has accumulated around our souls. This form of redemption is a profound blessing from God that brings us freedom from the tyranny of negative conditioning that afflicts us all to a greater or lesser extent.

There is only one way that God has prescribed by which we may become divine and that is by issuing our heartfelt, soulful longings to God asking to be granted this great gift of divine love, which will make us 'as one' with our Creator. Some may be fearful that becoming as one with God means losing their individuality but we are assured by our divine friends who have followed this path that this is not the case. In fact, the whole purpose of our soul incarnating in an earthly body was to gain individuality and personality that we didn't have prior to that point. Individuality is therefore fundamentally important to God's plan for us and not something we can ever lose. Becoming divine does not make us God and we remain finite individuals who will continue to progress for all eternity in divine love.

Many people have had the experience of issuing a heartfelt prayer to God in a crisis and receiving a portion of divine love without necessarily being aware of it. However, those who have conscious knowledge of divine love will tend to make a point of praying for it frequently, thereby assuring themselves of a future in the celestial realms of the afterlife, which sit above those spheres where spirits whose souls have only the natural love that they were born with are constrained to reside.

We may doubt that the most important spiritual truth we can ever know (apart from God being love) is that we can become as one with God through praying for divine love. However, God has made the truth simple so that everyone can understand it.

Most people are not aware that there are these two spiritual paths - the path of natural love and the divine love path. Nor is it easy at first to see how the paths and the two types of love differ. Most of us are not even conscious of having a soul so how much harder is it to understand what it means to have a divine soul? Fortunately, a great deal of information has been provided to mankind through various mediums over the past century by those beings who reside in the celestial realms of the afterlife. The first medium who revealed the truth of divine love was a Washington D.C. lawyer named James Padgett, in the early twentieth century. His writings were published in four volumes long after his death and are now widely available for free on the internet. Collectively, his writings are referred to as the Padgett Messages.


If you have any doubts that what you are reading is the truth then you have nothing to lose by trying an experiment whereby you pray earnestly for divine love for a period of time and see what the results are. More will be said about how to open up your soul so that a special spirit of God (which I will call the Comforter) is able to bestow this love into the aspirant's soul.

Also, if you doubt that there are mediums out there who receive messages from the spirit world then there is nothing to stop you becoming a medium yourself and getting information first hand! There are countless celestial beings who would like nothing better than to talk to you! Yes, it takes time and effort but no-one said the spiritual path would be easy. Above all, don't let anyone, especially yourself, tell you you can't do it!

I myself had no special talents along those lines but I set out to develop some degree of mediumship only because I could see a great need for closer direct cooperation between this world and the higher realms of the spirit world. (For the record, I don't see myself as by any means the best qualified person to write a book like this but 'the harvest is plentiful and the workers are few' as the saying goes.)

Prior to discovering divine love, I spent decades studying various religions and ways of living. Yes, I found truth in all of them but, for me, the divine love teachings stand out as the only approach that actually FEEDS THE SOUL rather than the mind. While divine love has been around for thousands of years and is mentioned in various religious and spiritual writings, until the Padgett Messages were published there was no body of teachings that provide clear insight into what it is and why we should want it. Being a divine love practitioner is by no means incompatible with holding other religious and spiritual beliefs.

In this book I have tried to adopt a 'light touch' to make the contents a digestible starting point for aspiring divine love practitioners. I provide references to other material that goes into divine love



more deeply for those who wish to know more. My sincere wish is that this book will help you to take the first step to becoming a celestial divine angel! You don't need any intermediary between you and God, nor do you need to join any religious organisation. Reassuringly, when you start out on the divine path one or more divine guides from the spirit world will be assigned to help you on your way.

Finally, it takes great faith to believe in a God and spirit world that we cannot see and to make spirituality a fundamental part of our lives. What we have not experienced seems at best like a dream, so I wish you every success in turning your dreams into reality.

## Chapter 2: Divine Love




Divine love is the essence of God's own great soul. Every part of God is divine and divine love is God's single most important attribute. There are some attributes of God that aren't granted as part of this divine love, such as omniscience and omnipresence.

One of the fascinating facts about divine love is that it is indivisible. What this means is that the divine love that lodges in our souls remains connected, in some mysterious way, to all the other divine love in existence.

One consequence of this is that the bonds between those beings whose souls have been made wholly divine is said to be much stronger than even the closest of family ties that we are familiar with on earth. This is quite a statement and is something that one needs to reflect on at length to truly understand its significance.

I believe another consequence of the connectedness of all divine love is that it allows all divine beings to share a common divine reality in a much deeper and more fundamental way than the reality that we currently share with others during our earthly lives. Divine reality is God's reality.



This is all rather amazing, but then it isn't possible to compare divine love with any other substance. Nor can the divine path be meaningfully compared to any other way of reaching God. It is totally unique.

All other paths lead only to the perfection of the natural love we were born with. At that point, our soul state allows us to enter the highest of the natural heavens of the spirit world. None can progress further than this fixed ceiling without developing their soul in divine love. Beyond the natural heavens lie the celestial realms of the afterlife, where we can progress forever.


Divine love is said to exist and permeate all places where beings who have souls can exist. In other words, the universe we live in and the spirit world, including the celestial realms, are full of divine love. It surrounds us at all times and in all places, and there is an infinite supply of it.

When I first came across the Padgett Messages, I remember being impressed at the meticulous care and attention given to explaining the nature of divine love and its purpose. Equally as impressive is the authoritative manner in which a wide range of fundamental topics pertaining to the nature of God and our existence are handled. I remember how unexpected and surprising it was to be told that something has to be added to our being before we can make the true spiritual progress that God wants us to experience. I'd never considered such a scenario before. It's a simple and brilliant solution for overcoming the many weaknesses, limitations and inadequacies that beset us as humans. It makes complete sense that in no other way can we get close to our Creator, other than by sharing some of God's attributes.

One interesting characteristic of divine love is that it acts to progressively remove any darkness that envelops our souls but at the end of the process the divine love itself remains as pristine pure as it was at the start. This cleansing of our souls has an extremely important consequence. Removing darkness from our souls wipes out the consequences of any sinful act that we indulged in that caused the darkening in the first place. In other words, God's law of compensation whereby we suffer in direct proportion to our wrongdoings is nullified by the action of a higher divine law that removes from our souls the very substance on which the lower law acts. This allows those who follow the divine path to progress very quickly relative to those whose souls are cleansed only by the action of the law of compensation. This is an astonishing truth and is something that one needs to dwell on at length before it can be fully assimilated into our being as personal knowledge.

There are many stories in the Padgett Messages of spirits who found themselves in very dark conditions when they initially reached the spirit world but after being introduced to divine love are amazed to find that the source of their suffering leaves them as their souls develop in this love. In general, their suffering is not relieved immediately, and typically, a lot of earnest prayer is required but, nevertheless, these spirits can and often do progress swiftly.






In fact, there may be a disproportionate number of divine angels who started off in the lower hells. The reason for this is that the suffering they were undergoing in the hell realms gave them the incentive to pray earnestly for divine love once they found out about it. By contrast, those who lead a good life on earth end up inhabiting a pleasant realm of the spirit world where they are often perfectly content, with the result that they may show little interest when a divine angel comes along and tries to tell them about a better place they could be! However, we are also told that in the hell realms it is very hard to hear about heavenly things and the occupants may suffer there for a very long time before they get the chance to progress. It's not that help isn't always available, it's just that a spirit in poor soul condition may themselves block out any awareness of the presence of those who want to help them.

While on the subject of hell, the teachings make it clear that the hell realms are both a place and a state of mind, just like the spirit heavens. We are told that we require a place of habitation in the spirit world and that we make or determine this for ourselves by our actions on earth. And that even if the hell realms were to be emptied they would still remain as actual places, at least for a period of time. Furthermore, the grim nature of the hells adds to the inhabitants suffering beyond that which is caused solely by the law of compensation. Likewise, in the heavens, the beautiful atmosphere adds to the general happiness of the inhabitants beyond what they may have earned as individuals by their virtuous behaviour.

The most significant change we experience as divine love practitioners is the development of a completely new divine consciousness. Over time, our existing soul becomes totally transformed into a divine soul, complete with a new consciousness. The nature of this consciousness is very different to our material mind. It is described as allowing us to process information along multiple avenues in parallel and to be aware on many levels at the same time. We are not limited to sequential thinking where one thought follows another. We eventually reach a point where our material mind (or the spirit body equivalent if we are in the spirit world) becomes redundant and withers away similar to an unused muscle. Essentially, we undergo a significant mind upgrade. When you consider the limitations of a human mind then it is hardly surprising that this should be the case if our lives are to truly blossom in a future phase of our existence. A key point to make is that we never lose our sense of identity. The primary purpose of our earth life is to gain individuality. Along with this comes personality. These we retain forever.

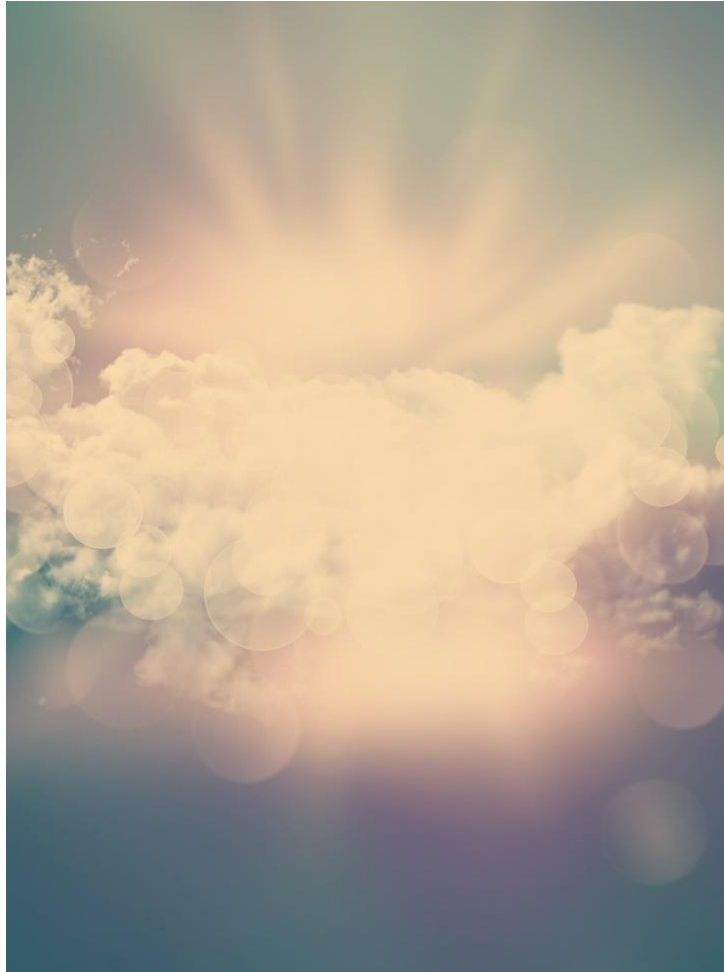
Knowledge appears to be inherent in the very nature of divine love. In the Padgett Messages, some spirits on the divine path report finding that they developed a deep knowledge of subjects they had never studied and that their knowledge quickly outstripped even that of spirits on the natural love path who had dedicated themselves to particular avenues of study. There is therefore a wisdom in divine love that gives us direct access to knowledge that we hold within ourselves, so to speak, and I have been told that it also helps us to access the vast amount of knowledge that is



available in various forms and repositories in the spirit environment. I was told that this last ability comes about because the indivisibility of divine love creates a mechanism whereby those on the divine path are, to a greater or lesser extent, able to tap at will into the combined knowledge of other beings who have divine love in their souls.

Another curious aspect of divine life follows from being immortal, which gives divine beings the ability to step in and out of time at will. I have been told that they experience a sense of timelessness when they choose to be outside of time. It seems time is experienced as a sequence of events but without the sense of any time passing.

## Chapter 3: God



It is important to remember that God is love and is all powerful, wise and merciful in addition. God is not a nebulous power as some people speculate. God has a personality and we can have a personal relationship with God. Some religions have told us we should regard God as a parent figure and this is confirmed in the divine love teachings.

God has a form but not one we can see with human or spirit eyes. Not until new divine perceptions have been developed in our souls can we start to become aware of God's form. God is a single entity and not a trinity as some believe. Jesus did and does exist and is a divine being as a result of his soul being completely transformed by divine love during his life on earth. All of us can follow the same path. Jesus is divine but does not claim to be God and remains a finite individual, although an extremely exalted one. Of course, being 'as one' with God means sharing some of God's

attributes and such a being may appear God-like to all of us who are significantly less spiritually developed.

God has an actual place of habitation high up in the heavens that those on the divine path constantly progress towards.


We should not confuse the Creator and the Creation. Although God is aware of everything that happens, God is not personally present in every part of our universe. An argument is sometimes put forward that since God is infinite then God fills all of space. This is the result of confusing the Creator and the Creation. In the universe, we see evidence of God's handiwork but we won't find the living presence of God, except insofar as we choose to experience God directly in our own lives.

Nor is the universe like a clockwork mechanism that is blindly following God's laws while God watches passively from the outside. God can and does intervene in the unfolding events of the universe when the need arises.

Only God is immortal and those to whom God grants a divine nature through bestowing on them divine love. This love is the only substance that embodies the principle of immortality and once this immortality has been given to us it can no more be taken away from us than it can be from God. Natural love, by contrast, does not confer immortality and no being who possesses only the love they were born with can be sure of living for all eternity. Survival of bodily death, by itself, demonstrates only the continuity of life after death and since change is constant, none can say whether those with only this love will live forever or not.

Beware of popular beliefs such as 'I am God', 'I am divine', 'I am one with all creation', etc. These imply that you have nothing more to do except somehow 'realise' what you already are. This is the 'oneness trap'. If you believe these statements to be literally already true then this is tantamount to turning your back on God, declaring your independence and seeking redemption purely through your own efforts. This desire for independence from God is the mistake that humanity has always made. A God-centric life starts with humility and the understanding that we need external help. The key teaching in this book is that we need something (divine love) to be added to what we already are if we are to become all we can be. And only God can give us that. In no other way can it become part of us. Polishing up what is inside us and leading a moral life is to be admired but it will never bring the greater happiness that God wants all of us to experience. The highest aspiration we can have is to be as one with God.

For the sake of brevity, I have greatly simplified the points above in relation to what I have called the oneness trap. I don't wish to be critical of anyone's spiritual approach to life and much good can come from various paths. If you aren't comfortable with anything I have presented then feel free to ignore it.



Be aware that prayer has real power and every sincere prayer brings a response. God takes direct responsibility for our spiritual progress in divine love. When we send out our longings for divine love then God's Comforter brings this love into our souls. We are told no power in the universe or spirit world can interfere with this love coming into our souls when we pray earnestly for its inflowing. When we request help with mundane affairs then God delegates those tasks to spirits and divine angels to carry out.

Divine love is the highest form of happiness that even God can bestow on us. If we want evidence that we are truly loved by God then consider the fact that our souls were explicitly made with the potential for this love to form part of our existence. You can try an experiment whereby you pray for this divine love to prove to yourself its existence. It is important that you truly open up to God when you pray. When we spend most of our time deeply engaged with the world around us it is hard to suddenly switch to be deeply engaged with God, which is essential for our prayers to be successful. The reciting of mere words largely devoid of any real emotion will not elicit the desired response. You should find ways of opening up to God so that your prayers are said in all earnestness. You may want to think about someone you care a great deal about to get into the right frame of mind and soul before you pray. I sometimes imagine being helpless on my deathbed to allow me to feel the importance of connecting to God now before that time comes. It's especially helpful to approach our relationship with God with the innocence of a child. This acknowledges that God has no hidden agenda and no ulterior motive in helping us. This attitude helps to lower the barriers that we put in place to protect ourselves from others harming us. In our prayers, opening up and expressing the underlying vulnerability we feel is precisely what's required to bring God's divine love into our souls.


Once you start to receive divine love then your soul will inform you as to the veracity or otherwise of all the statements made in this book. Reject everything that you are not comfortable with. Be your own teacher through your direct relationship with God. You can ask your spirit guides for help as well. All human beings are fallible and I personally would not recommend that anyone sets out to find a guru type of figure to guide them - it simply isn't necessary and if you are unfortunate in your choice then it could cause untold harm to your spiritual (and even worldly) hopes and ambitions.

## Chapter 4: The Soul



God has given us a soul that resides within our spirit body, which resides within our material body. The soul is the core part of our being in which resides our personality and core consciousness. There was a point in time when our souls did not exist. After coming into existence, souls reside in a sphere reserved exclusively for those that have not yet incarnated into a human life. At the point of incarnation, the soul splits into two, each part being the soulmate of the other. Soulmates generally incarnate at around the same time and may or may not meet during their earthly lives.

Only our soul was made in the image of God. The image is not the same thing as the substance but the potential exists for God's own soul substance to infill our souls and make us divine. Divine consciousness is Christ Consciousness. When we die, the state of our soul determines where our place of residence will be in the spirit world. Those who have led negative lives will find themselves in darkness while those who have led morally upstanding lives will enjoy pleasant surroundings. God's law is exact and none can avoid the workings of this law. The right to inhabit higher realms



has to be earned; willpower alone will not suffice to allow a spirit to move into a higher plane than their soul condition fits them for.

Our material mind is not the same thing as our soul, although there is a connection between them, the mind being a reflection of the consciousness that arises in our soul. Mankind has developed the material mind to an extraordinary degree to the point it dominates our awareness. As a result, our soul consciousness languishes, barely recognised as even existing. Similarly, our spirit body has its own perceptions and awareness. In most people these spirit perceptions are switched off, otherwise we would be flooded with information from the spirit world all the time. Psychics have their spirit body senses switched on to a greater or lesser extent, giving them some awareness of the spirit world. After physical death, our awareness transfers fully to the spirit body and the perceptions of the spirit mind kick in to replace those of our material mind. On the divine love path we are encouraged to integrate these different centres of consciousness, especially our newly developing divine soul consciousness. This is easier said than done and a large part of the divine journey relates to the battle between material mind and soul for dominance. Once our soul mind comes into ascendancy then we are well on the way to graduating from our role as divine apprentices.

Through our physical bodies, our soul attributes are reflected in our interactions with the outside world. Through our spirit bodies, we interact with the unseen world of spirit. When we receive divine love into our souls then new soul perceptions open up and allow us to interact with a higher divine reality. No-one can engage in a divine life without first receiving this love.

A growing divine consciousness represents a change and a challenge to our normal way of thinking and each of us on the divine path has to choose whether to proactively acknowledge and integrate these new soul perceptions or not. Some may feel that their identity or sanity is threatened by the unfamiliar nature of their new experiences and will resist any change to their normal thought patterns. However, unless we develop a divine mind of the soul then we will never experience the greatest happiness that even God can bestow on us. It should come as no surprise that our material mind, with all its obvious limitations, will never allow us to explore and understand the various realms and dimensions that make up divine reality. The nature of the divine mind is such that it does not reach conclusions based on a linear sequence of thoughts. Instead, it sifts through information from multiple dimensions in parallel.

God's love eventually changes everything in us and works for our highest good at all times. It is a substance that never changes in all eternity. It can be regarded as a form of energy but we are used to energy dissipating away or changing into something else. By contrast, divine love is perfect and permanent and provides us with a solid anchor to our being with which to experience all of God's creation.

God's love progressively ignites seeds in our souls that represent the various gifts that God has endowed us with. The exact combination of abilities that we possess is unique to every individual. These seeds will blossom at various points on our journey and will both surprise and delight us as they appear. They are just one of the many blessings that God showers on us when we walk the divine path.


God does, as an actual fact, see everything we do and know everything we think. Everything is recorded in our own memories and will continue to exist indefinitely until the purpose of the existence of each memory, which is subject to precise laws, is fully served. When we think or act in ways that are contrary to God's laws then we literally and figuratively darken our souls. The effect of this is to stifle our spirituality and make it harder for light to get in and out of our soul. This darkness inevitably invokes the law of compensation whereby in the fullness of time we suffer in accordance with the severity of the sins we have committed. Although this law operates all the time from the moment of transgression, the great period of soul expiation occurs after physical death, when we become more aware of our spiritual state and those things in us that cause us to be unhappy. This process of expiation continues until we have paid the price of our transgressions in full at which point the underlying darkness that causes our suffering is finally lifted and we have the opportunity to progress to higher spheres in the spirit world.

However, we may become progressively redeemed from this potential or actual suffering at any time by praying earnestly for God's divine love to fill our souls. Divine love is the fulfillment of the law and by gradually removing any darkness in us we become relieved of the penalties of our sins without having to pay 'to the last farthing'. The law of compensation is not actually set aside in this process, rather, a higher law is invoked whereby the darkness (on which the law of compensation acts) is cleansed from our being and, once entirely removed, there is nothing in us that can be the cause of further suffering under the lower law.

This is a form of forgiveness granted only to those who follow the divine path. Those who follow the path of natural love will find that this lower form of love is not sufficient to save them from suffering from the consequences of sin and, consequently, they will pay the penalty of violating God's laws in full. Of course, remorse, the desire to make amends and the natural love all play a part in relieving the soul of its burden of darkness but the suffering will always be felt in full until redemption has been earned or the afflicted soul turns to the divine path to seek God's forgiveness through obtaining divine love.

Divine love is therefore the great destroyer of sin and error from our being, making us as one with our Creator in divine nature. In doing so, it does not violate any of God's laws as may be supposed by those who believe all wrongdoing inescapably results in divine retribution.






The power of divine love to remove the cause of our suffering at its root is astonishing and a wonderful example of how God makes provision for our wellbeing and happiness.

A prayer to God doesn't need words and can just be the expression of a deep longing. When I pray with words I may say something like 'Heavenly Creator, fill my soul with divine love and keep me always in your perfect care. Change my body, mind and soul to be what you want them to be for my own highest good and the highest good of all. Guide me so that each moment I walk the perfect path through life that you want me to take'. We should always express deep gratitude for the help we receive.

To be in a state of grace means our soul consciousness overshadows our material mind to the point where we are so full of love that our only desire is to share it with all and help others experience the living presence of God in their lives.

To be reborn of spirit means to be given a new divine soul that is filled with God's divine essence. This divine soul has no prior existence before we start receiving divine love. As we grow in this love, we start to experience a new divine consciousness that allows us to share God's reality, which is quite different from ordinary consciousness. At the exact point that our divine soul is fully formed we are in a state that enables us to enter the celestial kingdom. At this point also, our material mind is completely eclipsed by our new-found consciousness and, like an unused muscle, is no longer needed.

The idea of receiving both a major soul upgrade and mind upgrade is absolutely incredible. If this is true then why haven't we heard of it before? Well, serious scholars of the bible have just about managed to articulate and experience what I've been describing. The availability of divine love was foretold in several places in the old testament, including Ezekiel 36:26: "A new heart will I give you and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and will give you a heart of flesh". Our heart is the seat of our being, namely, our soul. The spirit is the Holy Spirit, which I have called the Comforter, which is an instrument (an active energy) of God's being dedicated to bringing God's love into our souls. This is the true message that Jesus came to declare (not the misguided, false traditional Christian concept of being reborn through belief in the so-called vicarious atonement, whereby the spilling of Jesus' blood redeems us from our sins). There are many references in the new testament to having the Holy Spirit within us. The kingdom of heaven mentioned by Jesus is both a spiritual state of being and a place high up in the next world which only those with divine souls may enter. However, the description and terminology used in the bible leaves something to be desired and that is why Mr Padgett was used to convey anew the glad tidings of our potential to be reborn as immortal beings, sharing God's own divine essence. What else would God's own great soul be made out of other than pure love?




I am aware of several books that were written before the Padgett Messages, where the references in the bible have been understood by the authors well enough to allow them to experience the glory of the new birth. Not everything in these books is totally correct, as the bible contains many errors and omissions but, nevertheless, the writers have done remarkably well to find their way to one of the greatest truths we can ever discover. These scholars faced many obstacles to their understanding such as whether receiving the great inflow of love representing the new birth is a singular event or something that could be repeated many times. Nor is it clear in the bible exactly what needs to be done to cause this great change in our innermost being.

It is deeply regrettable that it took 19 centuries to elapse before the truth was made plain and freely available to all. The underlying reasons why our celestial teachers were unable to communicate these truths earlier is touched on in the Padgett Messages. One of the main reasons was that the grip of the church was so strong for so long that anyone claiming to have a new gospel of truth for the world would have been declared a heretic and executed. Another is that the free will of the individual can interfere with the transmission of the material into the medium's mind, as apparently happened with Swedenborg, who was shown much of the spirit world while asleep but was unable to reconcile his memories of those events with his existing religious beliefs. We have a great deal to be grateful for, both to James Padgett and those in this world and the spirit world who contributed to the content, recording and publication of the messages. We should also be grateful to those handful of divine love mediums around the world who have continued the collaboration with celestial beings and made a great deal of useful information available in recent times.

## Chapter 5: Living with Divine Love




The way God wants you to feel inside is way beyond anything you have felt before. Being reborn in love means gaining a new profound innocence that can never be corrupted regardless of anything you experience. It means being in a state of grace where you positively glow from feeling God's living presence in your life. You will know from personal experience that love is the greatest power in existence. Feeling overwhelming love and expressing love in everything you do makes life intensely satisfying.



However, once we start receiving divine love, those tender shoots that are growing within us will almost certainly be overshadowed most or all of the time by our material minds. In my case, my mind continued to be just as judgemental, argumentative, rigid and self-righteous as ever. In short, my normal thought processes were based on an underlying 'wilfulness' that was contrary to how God wanted me to be. Sure, at some point one will have received enough divine love that our normal awareness will be subordinate to our soul consciousness as it comes into ascendancy. We will then experience a state of divine grace, which will eventually become constant. However, the process can be accelerated if we make a conscious effort to surrender this wilful part of ourselves to God. We do this by refusing to indulge our normal bad habits when we become aware of them and by earnestly asking God to remove this part of our being, along with all the conditioning that we have accumulated since birth that is not in harmony with God. It may seem we are losing a fundamental part of our identity but nothing could be further from the truth. Instead, we will start to find our true self, a gentler, compassionate self that is more aligned to God's will. This elimination of the 'false' self in us in favour of a new soul-based consciousness is not altogether dissimilar to the spiritual awakening that those on some other spiritual paths seek. Except that divine love brings a much more profound element to the experience and presents us with a path of eternal progress.

A key element in the battle between mind and soul is being aware of the consequences of our thoughts and the desirability of not indulging in habitual negative thinking. Another is to avoid pursuing happiness by filling our lives with constant distractions, which is often just a way of covering up underlying unhappiness and feelings of emptiness. If we repeatedly indulge in negativity, we cloak our souls in increasing darkness like layers of an onion. Light (love) becomes restricted in terms of its ability to enter and leave our souls. The effects of this are semi-permanent in that the darkness stays with us indefinitely until remedial action of some kind is taken. For some, negativity becomes a vicious downward cycle that they feel powerless to break out of. The most effective way to counter this condition, which affects us all to some extent, is to pray frequently for divine love.


Over the course of a human life a great deal of darkness can stick to one's soul. In extreme cases, one rash, foolish or thoughtless negative act can lead to a lifetime of self-inflicted suffering, which can leave us in very poor soul condition, which in turn brings more suffering until the underlying conditions are removed. The opposite is also true. Gaining a single drop of divine love, even if you are not conscious of it, may at some point open the door that eventually leads to the celestial kingdom. It is said that God helps those who help themselves. When we are aligned with God's will and devote ourselves to doing God's work, we bring a multitude of blessings into our lives automatically. Things start to fall into place, beneficial relationships are made, our health may improve, we receive greater help and protection, we experience more peace and joy, etc.



At times, especially when you feel no progress is being made, praying and spiritual effort of any kind can seem like an unwelcome chore. We can start to doubt our beliefs and feel we are unworthy of divine love. In these situations we should persevere, especially with prayer. We should pray until we feel a connection with God and that our prayer has invoked a response. Faith is what causes the things we desire to materialise in our lives and we can pray for more faith if this is an issue. In my case, I harboured feelings of emptiness and mundaneness for years, which made it difficult to connect to God when praying. I decided to continue only because I knew I'd definitely experienced receiving divine love at times and because I truly believed in the power of divine love to utterly transform me. I found it useful to pray for others whenever I felt caught up in myself. I would go back and reread all the divine love material I could find. A lot of contemporary Padgett-inspired books and websites deal with the challenges of the divine path and I have often come across inspiring messages that were particularly relevant to the situation I found myself in. Eventually, my spiritual condition would improve and I would become aware that I was making progress again. Divine love comes to us a drop at a time and it is not until a lot has been accumulated that we can look back and recognise how much we have changed. That is why faith and perseverance are so important. No-one said it would be easy.

It has been said that if you can make a start on the divine path while you are on earth then it makes it much easier to progress after transitioning to the spirit world. Most people in the world today are unaware of divine love and so don't get the opportunity to consciously choose or reject this path. Even in the spirit world, many progress to a state of considerable contentment in the higher spirit spheres and have no interest in what may lie beyond. We are told that at some point in the future the celestial kingdom will be considered complete and the gates will be closed to new entrants forever. Since becoming divine is the highest path available to us, it's crucial that those of us who know about divine love should do all we can to promote a widespread awareness of its existence. Of course, we should respect the free will of others and never force our views onto anyone. If you are shining a divine light from inside you then you will naturally attract the curiosity of those who are seeking meaning in their lives, perhaps without them even being aware of what they are looking for. Through synchronicity and the law of attraction your path will cross with that of others who have similar interests or who need your help. There are opportunities to be of service every day and we should take note of any impulse we feel, often subtle, to offer help to others.

It is a common reaction to doubt that a loving God would ever close the celestial kingdom while large numbers of spirits remain outside. However, God presents us with a continuous stream of opportunities and gifts and a curious but vital fact arises in connection with this benevolence. If we choose to wilfully ignore what God places in front of us then that opportunity or gift may at some point be withdrawn and it cannot be assumed that it will be granted again in the future. It is said that the first humans (represented as Adam and Eve in the bible) rejected God's original offer of divine love (resulting in the fall of man) and so the opportunity was withdrawn and only bestowed



again with the coming of Jesus many millennia later. The consequences of our free-will choices can indeed be far reaching. The full facts surrounding the predicted closing of the celestial kingdom are unknown to anyone but God at this stage; however, those closest to God tell us not to doubt God's infinite love for all of us. Everyone will be given ample opportunity to choose the divine path leading to the celestial kingdom.

In our daily lives we adopt countless mental 'poses' that create a significant barrier between us and God. It's so natural that we don't even realise, even after we start experiencing divine love. Meanwhile, God and God's love just is. The truth is so simple that we fail to recognise it. Our minds doubt - or forget - that a simple, heartfelt prayer will connect us to God and bring love into our souls and so we spend our lives in endless intellectual analysis from which we derive little spiritual benefit. Intellectual belief in itself doesn't bring us closer to God, at least not directly. At best, it may strengthen our will to spend time making room for God in our lives. That notwithstanding, typically most of our thoughts do not bring us closer to God.

Removing the barriers created by the mind is the greatest challenge on the divine path. Yes, divine love does change us and gradually removes these barriers but we need to try to remember God as often as possible in our daily lives, even if just for a few seconds or minutes at a time whenever our attention is not required to be actively engaged elsewhere. I am reminded of Brother Lawrence, a 17th century French Carmelite friar. He devoted his entire life, even during daily duties at his monastery, focusing on feeling the living presence of God. Regardless of his exact beliefs, I have no doubt that this practice would have brought a great deal of divine love into his soul. Most of us these days would be unable or unwilling to follow his example and would see his behaviour as extreme and unpalatable, even if we were to admire his dedication. That said, what are we spending our time on that will make us happier than when we feel God's actual presence in our lives?




## Chapter 6: Earth Changes



In relation to the current condition of the world, even governments now recognise that the long established system of cradle-to-grave materialism is destroying the planet and the more enlightened are seeking a soft landing that remedies the problems while allowing our way of life to continue. However, our celestial friends are telling us that too little has been done and it is too late to prevent a catastrophe. The world is about to change in dramatic ways and they are urging us to prepare. Specifically, they advise us to seek to expand into the new consciousness that comes to us as the result of receiving divine love. This consciousness will provide us with all we need to survive and thrive in the difficult transition to a new world that will have very different values.

Everyone can see that humanity and the human mind in its current state of evolution is incapable of resolving the problems we face. Mankind has created a reality that is not in harmony with God. God's laws of creation require that the collective good of all is paramount, whereas we have



created an economic system that rewards a few disproportionately while many are disenfranchised. Such a system cannot be sustained indefinitely.

We are told that God will not allow us to destroy the planet. Our free will is allowed to diverge only so far before God's laws kick in to correct the situation. Unfortunately, because mankind continues on its own path, which is not one of cooperation with God, the great changes that will usher in a new age cannot take place without widespread destruction and suffering.

The developing crisis that the world is heading towards endangers all life on this planet. We are told that a great deal of help is being assembled in the spirit world to help us. Portals of light are being established around the world creating a great lattice of light that is helping to neutralise the dark conditions that mankind has created over millennia through countless negative thoughts and acts.


Everyone will have a choice to make when it comes to embracing change. Many will try to cling to their old ways of life and will feel lost in a sea of change. Those who cannot adapt will find it difficult to survive.

At this time there is a great bell tolling, calling us all on a soul level to turn to God and accept the many gifts that will allow us to navigate through the chaos that will surround us. We are told that this is a special dispensation that God is offering us at this time because of the real risk of the planet being destroyed. Our material minds will be of limited use in navigating a path as tumultuous events will be sudden, dramatic and unpredictable. We should therefore pray daily for guidance.

Experiencing changes in our awareness is something that can be frightening and many for whom the door to a new way of being starts to open will seek the safety of their old rigid ways of thinking. This will only increase their suffering whereas those who adapt to a new God-given consciousness will become the light bearers for the new age that is dawning.

Sounds depressing? Life on earth can be hard even in normal times and the spiritual path is never easy in a world that doesn't value anything beyond the here and now of a material existence. When you add to all that the prospect of worldwide destruction and upheaval that will change the lives of all of us, it really challenges us in terms of coping on a personal level. That is why we need to turn to God. If we try to take all the world's problems and suffering on our own shoulders then we will falter and crumble. Saving the world is ultimately God's work. By immersing ourselves in divine love we will feel peace and joy even in difficult circumstances, knowing that God's loving energies are raising the spiritual vibration of the planet. Humanity will not totally destroy itself or the planet. Nature is resilient and will bounce back. The new age that will arise from the chaos will see the blossoming of a much better world with very different, God-centric values. We can help in this process and the greatest help we can give is by shining a divine light into whatever dark conditions surround us and do God's will each day.






God asks no more from us than that.

## Chapter 7: Final Thoughts



The fundamental cause of the world's problems is a lack of love. We face a spiritual crisis caused by a lack of spiritual maturity in our societies in general and our leaders in particular. Collectively, we continue to cause untold damage to the natural world. Many live in abject poverty even though everyone's basic needs could be met if, collectively, we made this a priority.

Solving our personal and collective spiritual dilemmas requires each of us to seek to be in harmony with God and be the change that we want to see in the world. Unconvincing dogma has turned many away from established religions and many are seeking truth without knowing where to look. Deep down we are all looking for love. Even if we are not aware of it, we all have a very faint memory of being enveloped in God's love when we were created as souls and, if it has not already happened, at some point this lingering emotion will eventually emerge and prompt us to start our spiritual search.



The highest path to God is through divine love. The availability of divine love is the message of salvation that Jesus came to proclaim to the world. We exist in a great unseen sea of divine love and can immerse ourselves in it at any time simply by asking sincerely for it to become part of us. God's Comforter conveys this love into our souls. This is the true path of redemption, causing all sin and error in us to be progressively removed. All are deemed worthy of this love by God regardless of how far they may have fallen in the eyes of mankind. There is no such thing as an unpardonable sin. We are told that there are many in the hell realms of the spirit world who wrongly believe they are forever damned to stay in hell because of the false teachings on this matter they heard when on earth.

The beings who dictated the contents of the Padgett Messages went to great lengths to present deep spiritual truths in a clear, logical manner that is amenable to reason. God's truths are universal and not something that can be exclusively owned by any one religion. The Padgett Messages therefore have relevance for everyone.

Beyond the Padgett Messages, which focused on core divine truths, there is a wealth of contemporary divine love material that deals with the issues of earth changes and day-to-day living with divine love.

The Padgett Messages run to many hundreds of pages with key nuggets of truth spread widely throughout. This makes them less accessible for many who lack the time in their lives to study the messages in detail, which is why I decided to write this book. I hope it helps you on your spiritual path and that one day we will all meet up in the celestial kingdom!

May God's love fill your soul.

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