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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 the material mind 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 the soul needs 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 the soul is 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 soul has 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 forever or not. But if they do live forever then it will be because God wills it to be so and not because of anything inherent in the state of their being.

Divine love also makes us free of sin and error by removing all darkness that has accumulated around our soul. 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 some 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 the soul incarnating in an earthly body is 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 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!

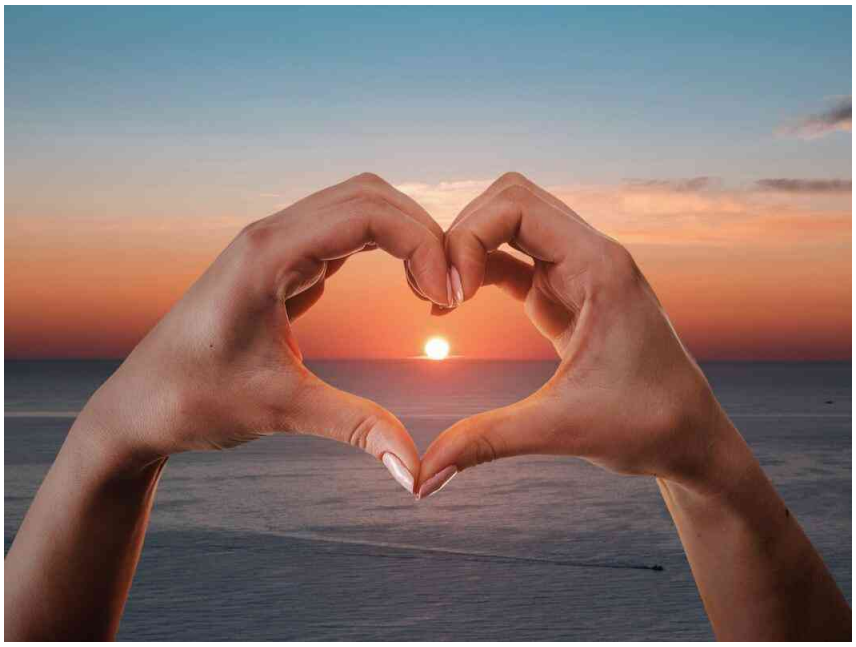
I myself had no special talents along those lines, but I set out to develop some degree of mediumship because I could see a great need for closer direct cooperation between this world and the higher realms of the spirit world. (For the record, I don't see myself as by any means the best qualified person 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



Love is the highest expression of consciousness. It's the creative power behind all that exists, other than what humans create through negativity. As we become ever more loving, we fulfill the purpose of existence. Love is the foundation of all happiness, while an absence of love causes suffering.

Divine love - the highest form of 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. It helps our understanding to recognise that divine love is not just love. It's a life force that embodies countless facets, including divine truth, knowledge, light, life and consciousness.

Our soul has access to this divine love. When we pray sincerely for it to become a part of us, then it lodges permanently in our soul. It changes us profoundly, but its own pristine, incorruptible and immortal nature never changes in all eternity. It generates the sublime and overwhelming feeling of being directly touched by God; a feeling that changes our life thereafter. When our soul has been completely transformed by divine love, then the door to a higher dimension fully opens. At that point, we become celestial beings who have earned the right to inhabit the celestial realms of the spirit world. A great inflowing of this love heralded the pentecostal awakening that

the disciples of Jesus experienced after his death. By giving them the motivation to continue, it's not overstating things to say that divine love has changed history. Sadly, knowledge of divine love was eventually lost as the church established itself and sought to gain power and control over the masses.

Although divine love is entirely non-material, it intermingles with and saturates all the physical space in our universe. In fact, it permeates all places where beings who have a soul can exist. In other words, the universe 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.

What's the purpose of this love? Well, the idea that existence is only as meaningful as the mind subjectively decides it is, is an understandable viewpoint but it's incorrect. Life is far more meaningful than we're capable of understanding. God is not constrained to work within parameters that meet mankind’s expectations. The purpose of divine love is to remove our spiritual blindness and open us up fully to experiencing the wonders of God’s creation. As it accumulates in our soul, it provides us with a new divine consciousness and new soul perceptions that allow us to explore ever more of creation. Our spiritual guides, who are further along the path than we are, help us in this transformation. For the spiritually blind to see, requires a deep awakening within us. Not just acquiring new intellectual beliefs, however profound, but a deep remaking of our core being by adding a new consciousness that is itself pure love.

As we progress on the divine path, less and less of the fruits of that journey can be directly recognised by the perceptions of the material mind. What exists in a higher dimension is invisible to the mind, but not to the developing soul. At some point, the material mind essentially becomes irrelevant, except insofar as we use it to deal with worldly affairs. For the mind to become a mere bystander in our life is a truth and state of affairs that few can easily accept.

The reality that we aren't our mind can sometimes be accepted conceptually but rarely can it be experienced as fact. We make that leap when we step into divine awareness, which exists only in the soul mind. The material mind initiates the divine journey, since the will must be directed to the process of praying, and other activities that secure us on the path. Thereafter, it becomes increasingly irrelevant, as the soul mind slowly comes into ascendancy. The nature of soul consciousness is very different to the 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 the 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.

The soul knows the physical body will die and is indifferent to that fact. Its own existence is unaffected. This demonstrates that the part of our consciousness that in many people is terrified of dying has somehow split off from the soul. At least it appears to have when viewed from the perspective of the material mind. But the soul encompasses the material mind, which is just an adjunct, something our minds struggle to truly acknowledge.

Divine love and divine truth are inseparable. All divine truth originates from God. Divine love is an emanation of God, coming from God's soul, and when it lodges in our soul in response to our heartfelt prayers to receive it, then we also receive divine knowledge that is an intrinsic part of this love. To the extent that we have received this inflowing, the soul knows the truth that it brings with as much certainty as God does, since part of God is, as an actual fact, in us and is the source of this knowledge. We gain God-given immortality, love and knowledge as part of the divine rebirth of our soul, but we retain our individuality and do not become God.

Divine truth, when present in the soul, is a gift that arrives fully formed and the process of logical deduction that we are familiar with plays no part in birthing this knowledge. What originates from the soul seems primal and therefore questionable to us, since it hasn't gone through the mind's normal process of logical evaluation. However, when we have God’s truth living within us then what can human logic add? The fundamental nature of soul truth is what gives it an unmistakable mark of authenticity. Contrast the remarkable simplicity of God's approach to disseminating truth with the laborious and fallible process of logical scrutiny, refinement, validation and acceptance that the intellect insists upon.

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 compared to any other way of reaching God. 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. No one 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.

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 soul 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 soul has an extremely important consequence. Removing darkness from the soul 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 soul 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.

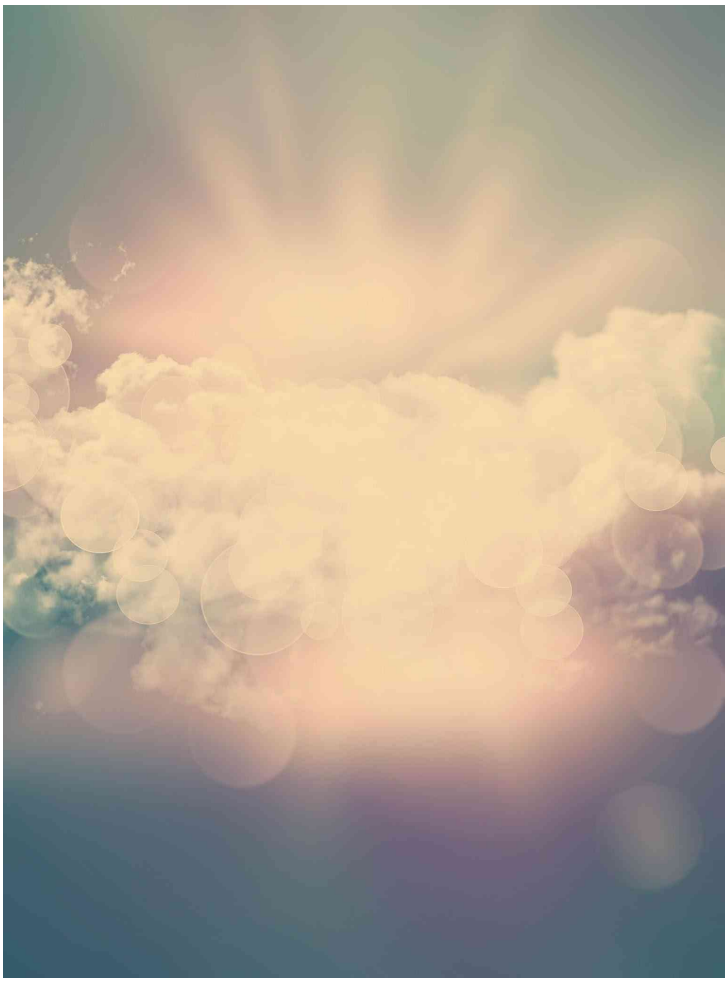
There are many stories in the Padgett Messages of spirits who found themselves in very dark conditions when they initially reached the spirit world but, after being introduced to divine love, are amazed to find that the source of their suffering leaves them as their souls develop in this love. In general, 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.

As outlined, 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. Divine love is the mystery of all mysteries. It enables the soul to experience and know divine reality, including itself, God and all of creation. It's been called the fulfilment of all God's laws and is the greatest power that exists.

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 soul 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 with 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 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 are sometimes misunderstood as implying 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, including beliefs such as those mentioned, so long as they are approached in the right spirit. However, by aiming for the highest, namely, the kingdom of God, then ‘all these things shall be added to you’, as the saying goes. 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 soul. We are told no power in the universe or spirit world can interfere with this love coming into our soul 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.

The Spirit of God is the active energy of God's soul, which performs many functions in the running of the universe. The Holy Spirit, also called the Comforter, is a part of the Spirit of God that performs the specific task of conveying God's divine love into the souls of mankind and spirits who seek this love. The Spirit of Truth is a spirit that manifests the existence of divine love in the soul. Its role is to teach us and guide us into all truth. This Spirit may also show us things to come, within the limits that God's laws and mankind’s free will allow the future to be known with any certainty.

Jesus became Christ because he was the first to receive divine love into his soul and to manifest its existence. Christ is the quality that came to Jesus after he was fully transformed by divine love. Jesus the man was therefore different to what he became as Jesus Christ. All of us can be anointed by this love and receive 'Christ in us', just as Jesus did. The Spirit of Truth, the Holy Spirit and the Christ Principle are all universally available to us, and each has a distinct role in conveying or manifesting divine love in relation to the soul.

In the introduction of this book, I stated that God is soul and that soul talks only to soul. Some may doubt this, but it is confirmed in the Padgett Messages in a message from Luke on 25 April 1918: 'Only soul can speak to soul and mind is only a helper.' And in a message from John, 22 October 1918: '... only soul can deal with soul...'. Our soul is our real identity so why would God talk instead to our material mind? Of course, what the soul becomes aware of may come into our material consciousness in the form of a dialogue, but the soul is the true internal source of this information, not the mind.

God did not create sin - it exists only insofar as we indulge our appetites for it, and if no one was sinful then it wouldn't exist at all. God created only light. Sin needs to be seen for what it is - nothing more than an anomaly in human behaviour caused by the misuse of human free will. We're told in the Padgett Messages that demons do exist and that they were once humans who, when on earth, chose to become evil.

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 being 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 soul.

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. The wisdom we seek is an intrinsic part of the divine love that comes into our soul. 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. Each has its own consciousness, with the soul being the hardest to access. The soul is the core part of our being in which resides our personality and core consciousness. The soul is the spiritual powerhouse and essence of our being and is capable of connecting us to God.

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. 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 some 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. It's not unusual to mistake the spirit mind for the soul mind. When they regularly receive strong psychic impressions, some believe they've discovered all there is to know inside them.

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, especially when asleep. When we receive divine love into our soul 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 the 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 can become progressively redeemed from this potential or actual suffering at any time by praying earnestly for God’s divine love to fill our soul. 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 impulse to sin cannot possibly exist in a being that is wholly divine, any more than it can in God.

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, the 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).

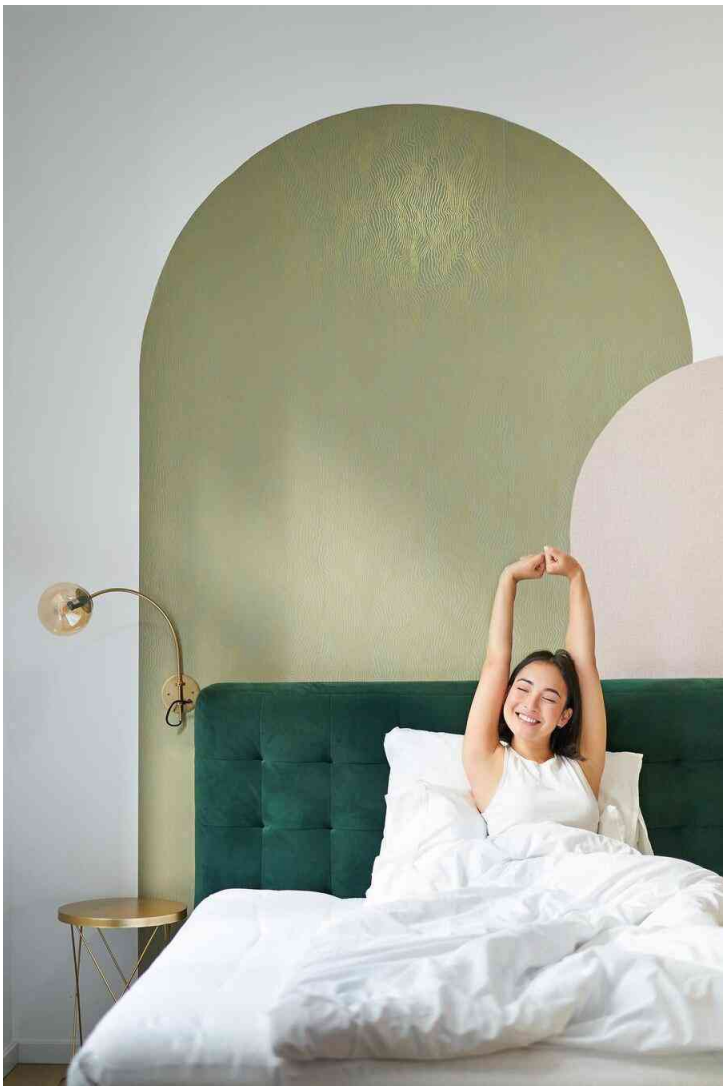
Jesus' announcement of the availability of God's divine love, is attested in John 3:5: '...no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.' The water is a reference

to the 'living waters' of God's divine love. The Spirit is the Holy Spirit that conveys this love into our souls. There are many references in the new testament to having the Holy Spirit within us (although this is not literally true, as the Holy Spirit is only a messenger of God). 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 were 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 figuring out what changes the new birth makes to us, and what it means for our relationship with God. 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 Emanuel 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, 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 the 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 by the material mind. 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.

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. The tramline of our daily thoughts is created largely through habit and, like any tramline, determines our destination. If we don't embrace love in a fundamental way then we won't end up in a fundamentally loving environment.

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 soul. The effects of this are semi-permanent in that the darkness stays with us indefinitely until remedial action of some kind is taken. The most effective way to counter this condition, which affects us all to some extent, is to pray frequently for divine love.

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 deeply, to actually materialise in our lives and we can pray for more faith if this is an issue. 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.

On our soul journey, our knowledge isn't limited to what's provided to us as an intrinsic part of divine love. The soul has access to a vast amount of information that is available in various forms and repositories in the spirit environment. A divine soul also develops many new senses. Each sense is a source of perceptions in the soul mind. The soul processes information from multiple sources in parallel and is aware on many levels at the same time. But divine souls don't know everything.

The fundamental nature of divine truth and how it is always faithfully recognised by the soul raises it beyond ever becoming an object of dispute between divine beings. But, like landscape painters who view the same scene and then express it on canvas in diverse ways, our unique personalities will cause us to embrace and express divine truth in differing, but harmonious, ways.

Like us, divine beings are required to exercise judgement to decide on responses and courses of action in relation to events in their lives and environments. And like us, they have their own experience and resources to fall back on, and can seek external guidance when required.

Deep soul knowledge comes with a fundamental sense of authenticity and dependability. When it emerges fully into our consciousness, this unspoken influence causes us to know beyond all doubt that it is the truth and comes from the soul. This leads us to utter conviction in its validity, even when in conflict with deeply held, existing mindful beliefs. The process is so natural and gradual that some have reported that they weren't even aware of when their old, fiercely held beliefs left them. With soul awakening, our own soul, developed by God's divine love, is the only arbiter of truth that we need.

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 freewill choices can indeed be far reaching. Because God respects our right not to seek this awakening, then the day will inevitably come when the predicted biblical separation of the sheep and the goats will occur. This is the second death. The opportunity for the rebirth of our souls in God's love will pass. Those who live in the celestial kingdom will progress in God's love for all eternity. Those who inhabit the spirit heavens will continue to enjoy considerable happiness but will realise too late the opportunity they've squandered.

The closing of the celestial kingdom fulfills another biblical prediction: when Jesus said, 'Work while it is day, for the night comes when no man can work', he meant that while the kingdom is still open to new entrants we should encourage others to embrace divine love. And when its doors close, the work of the angels must come to an end, with those outside left to face their future in the spirit spheres. 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.

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. That as a result of our intransigence, earth changes will escalate and bring an end to the damage caused by thoughtless materialism. 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. The fundamental cause of the world's problems is a lack of love. We're intellectually very clever but spiritually not very wise. 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. The love we emanate from deep inside us influences others far more than anything we can say. We should seek to live in our soul consciousness and be a visible example of the love the world needs.

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.

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 God-centric values. We can help in this process by shining a divine light into whatever dark conditions surround us and doing God's will each day, knowing that the world will change as we change. 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 our societies 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 happened already, 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, soul consciousness and daily 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!

One final thought. Everything about the divine rebirth of the soul seems like a fairytale. That's why Jesus said we need to become like little children to enter the kingdom of heaven.

May God's love fill your soul.

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- My book, **'Personal Reflections on Divine Love'**, presents a series of commentaries on divine love that I was inspired to write by my celestial guides.
- **'A Gospel of Truth and Light to Mankind - The Padgett Messages'**. Received by James E. Padgett. Compiled by Geoff Cutler. This is a compilation of all the messages in chronological order in one book. Various other compilations are available that present selected messages over multiple volumes. Some of the messages in Geoff's version do not appear in the original volumes, making this an essential resource for Padgett enthusiasts.
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Appendix: The Prayer

In 1916, a special prayer was dictated to James Padgett from the spirit world. It was described as the only prayer that anyone would need to become fully redeemed in God's divine love. To our modern sensibilities, the original style of writing may present an obstacle to using it in the way intended. This is therefore my modern, somewhat liberal, re-interpretation of the prayer.

Holy, loving and merciful Heavenly Father, we recognise that we're truly your precious children and not the lowly, unworthy beings some would have us believe. And that as beings who have a soul, we're the highest of all your creations, with each of us being the object of your great soul's love and tender care.

We acknowledge your deepest desire that we become as one with you through receiving the special gift of divine love that, mercifully, you've made available so we can become bound together with you in love for all eternity.

We pray you open our souls to the inflowing of your divine love and that your Comforter brings this love into our souls in great abundance, transforming us into your holy essence. And that such faith will then come to us as to make us realise that we are truly your children, transformed from your image to your very substance.

Give us such faith as will cause us to know that you are our Heavenly Father, the bestower of every good and perfect gift. As mortal beings, let us see clearly that only we ourselves can prevent your love from making us immortal.

Let us never cease to realise that your love is waiting for us and that when we come to you in faith and earnest aspiration, your love will never be withheld from us.

Keep us in the sunshine of your love every moment of our lives and protect us from succumbing to wrongdoing and the dark powers that constantly try to turn us away from you.

We thank you for your love and the privilege of receiving it. We know you smile upon us in our weakness and are always ready to help us and embrace us in your love.

We earnestly and sincerely pray with all the longings of our souls for all your blessings to manifest in our lives. We trust in your love and give you all the glory, honour and love that our finite souls can give.

Amen.