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Our Master's Answer to the Question

"In What Manner is Man Created in God's Image?"

"The whole being, physical and spiritual, is created in God's image. In the spirit-world, the form or image of God is not visible. But the entire spirit-world appears like a human form.

"Some people belong to the part which represents the eye, some people belong to the part which represents the feet, etc. The huge cosmos is in human form. The entire universe appears in the form of a man; yet each individual according to his inclinations or specific mission or personality belongs to some part of the whole - some to the Eye, some to the Heart, some to the Feet, the Lung, or Brain, or Hands; those who are active with their hands may belong to the part of the universe which appears as hands; those who like to think more than other people may belong to the brain, and so on. Agricultural or industrial people may belong to hands or feet. The characteristics of individual men make up the total macrocosm.

"Also, the earth spiritually appears in the form of a man. Each nation and each society may appear as the form of a man. Each family as well as each individual appears in the form of a man.

"Judging from this, the individual God is still in the form of a man, and vice versa. Each cell of your body is in the image of you yourself. It is different from any other cell.

"What makes man different from animals? It is the functions of thinking and feeling - thought and love. Man has got these capacities for truth and love from God. What makes one individual different from another is his thinking and his feeling. An evil man thinks evil and loves evil. A good man thinks truth and feels good.

"What makes the essence of your soul after your death? It is what you have been thinking, feeling and loving while you were on this earth. To think and love are beyond space and time. We can think about the philosophy of 2,000 years ago. We can love people across oceans just as we can love those who are with us. Because these capacities of thinking and loving transcend time and space, we are inclined to live for eternity. We do not want to cease to think or to love. These two functions are in the image of God. These two functions make man different from everything else in creation. Those two functions make your outward appearance different from others. Your inner self is formed by these two functions, and is reflected in your outer characteristics."

THE PRINCIPLES

By Linda Carroll, age 13

The Principles belong to all mankind,
To accept them isn't my choice but thine.

There may be question or doubt,
But our teachers are here to hear them out.

There are books in which you can look,
Some have accepted and some forsook.

The Divine Principle encompasses all,
From the very great to the very small.

God began to restore at the time of the fall,
It depends on man so that is all.

Svetlana Stalina Disenchanted with Communism and Finds Her Religious Freedom in the United States

Red-haired, forty-two year old Svetlana Stalina, only daughter of the late Russian dictator, arrived in the United States on April 21, 1967 in quest of a final haven and a new life of freedom. In a deeply moving statement she said she defected from her Soviet homeland because of her disenchantment with communism and because she found that it was impossible to exist without God in her heart.

"I fully expected to return to Russia within one months time. However, during my stay in India I decided I could not return to Moscow. It was my own decision, based on my own feelings and experiences, without anyone's advice for help or instruction. The strongest struggle was going on in my heart all that time because I would have to leave my children and not see them for quite a long time.

"I did everything to force myself to return home. But all was in vain. I felt it impossible to go back and went instead to the United States.... Despite the strong motives and deep desires which have led me to the United States, I can not forget that my children are in Moscow. But I know they will understand me and what I have done. They also belong to the new generation in our country, which does not want to be fooled by old ideas. They also want to make their own conclusion about life.

"Why did I leave Russia and come here to ask for your hospitality? There are many reasons. Since my childhood I have been taught Communism, and I did believe in it, as we all did, my generation. But slowly with age and experience I began to think differently.

"In recent years we in Russia have begun to think, to discuss, to argue and we are not so much automatically devoted anymore to the ideas which we were taught.

"Also, religion has done a lot to change me. I was brought up in a family where there was never any talk about God, but when I became a grown-up person, I found that it was impossible to exist without God in one's heart.

"I came to that conclusion myself, without anybody's help or preaching. But that was a great change because since that moment the main dogmas of Communism lost their significance for me....."

(Source: Salt Lake Tribune, April, 1967)

The Radical Revolutionary Roman Catholic Church of the Netherlands

The Second Vatican Council unleashed a passion for change in the Roman Catholic Church that has no signs of subsiding. And nowhere has the urge to question and challenge the past taken deeper roots than in The Netherlands, where a branch of the church once noted for its stodgy conservatism has suddenly become the acknowledged center of avant-garde thinking within Catholicism.

The Rev. Joos Arts, the priest-editor of a Catholic weekly called De Nieuwe Linie, says:

"Orthodoxy is the tragedy of Christianity. What we need is a re-thinking of all the basics of Christianity. We must break away from the formal dogma of the Catholic Church."

"Methodically, Dutch theologians are doing just that. Among the first to attack the church's traditional teaching on contraception and clerical celibacy, priests and laymen are now questioning everything from the virginity of Mary to the traditional view that premarital relationship is sinful.

Dutch theologians also reject original sin as an inherited spiritual stigma on the soul, instead regard the doctrine as a symbolic way of expressing the truth that man exists in a sinful, imperfect world. For that reason, some thinkers question the need for infant baptism.

Birth control, for the Dutch, is another closed question. Surveys indicate that 60% of the Catholic women in The Netherlands practice contraception, most of them with the tacit approval of their parish priests.

Once as hostile as warring African tribes, the Protestant and Catholic churches of The Netherlands have reached a remarkable degree of accord. Mixed marriages are often celebrated jointly by priests and ministers, and non-Catholics are no longer required to promise that they will raise their children in the church. Interfaith Eucharists, although forbidden by Rome, are common.

Disdainful of the Vatican's foreboding, Dutch theologians insist that they are not on the verge of creating a schism.

"We can not become isolated from Rome, but we can tell Rome what we think," says Schillebeeck.

(Source: Time Magazine, March 31, 1967)

Love Never Ends

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful;

It is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;

It does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices in the right.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends; as for prophecy, it will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.

For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect;

But when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away.

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways.

For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall understand fully, even as I have been fully understood.

So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is LOVE. I Cor. 13:1-13

Clearfield, Utah Chapel Dedication

Following is the statement of dedication of the Clearfield, Utah Chapel which was read simultaneously on May 1, 1967 at Clearfield, Utah, Berkeley, California and Portland, Oregon:

Statement on the Establishment of the United
Chapel of Utah - May 1, 1967

On this meaningful day of May 1, 1967 we are privileged to announce the establishment of the United Chapel of Clearfield, Utah to Heaven and Earth.

In the past our Heavenly Family has spent so much time, energy, prayer, and finance to restore the souls of the State of Utah to our faith. Even though all families in this area left this faith Our Master's work must go on by any means.

Taking advantage of Mr. David Kim's work in the Clearfield Job Corps, a new foundation to re-start our work was possible. We are happy to announce the establishment of the Clearfield Chapel on this special day, the thirteenth anniversary of our Master's work in Seoul, Korea. May God help the work in this religious State of Utah from this day.

This announcement is read simultaneously at Utah, California, and Oregon.

Proclaimed on May 1, 1967 by:

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Marie Laux, Berkeley, California
John Schmidli, Portland, Oregon

Portland, Oregon

Esther Carroll

I think it is time I gave a detailed report on the work in the Portland area.

Judy Cox is really struggling. She has so much indemnity to pay. She quit coming for a while, but then called recently and said all is not lost, so as long as she doesn't give up there is hope for victory.

Lothar Blankenberg is doing so beautifully. He is a great inspiration and blessing to us all. He is studying avidly and is most anxious to meet Our Master.

He already has become active in bringing someone and giving us names of other interested people. He plans to write his testimony for the bulletin.

One man (Episcopal) I've been talking to quite a bit was at the stage to give him the conclusion concerning Master. He admitted he could not agree or disagree as he was not a student of religion. I now leave the next step to him.

Another Episcopalian man has begun to attend the meetings and is quite interested and perceptive. He has a lady friend who visited a spiritualist meeting and he plans to bring her to the meetings. He likes our objective approach of understanding spiritual phenomena without personal and emotional involvement.

He also knows a minister who holds some interesting meetings in his home and he thought I might be interested in checking into this further.

I recently visited a spiritualist church and walked in with two other women who were visiting. They are both also Episcopal and knew nothing about what was going on. This gave me a good opportunity to explain what was taking place. After the meeting, we three had coffee and talked. The one woman, Janet Walker, said she had been strongly impressed to go there that night. She said it was to meet just one person, me. Janet, especially, is very receptive and eager to learn more. She and I got together Saturday and discussed in more detail. She took a manuscript home to study and plans to bring two other women to the Wednesday meeting. Then after that we plan to set up an additional study in her home. This was her idea as she has other women wanting a study. This sounds like an open door so I am expecting big things. I feel quite impressed with the way this has mushroomed so quickly. Here's hoping!

There is a man I've been trying to talk to the very few times I've run into him. He, at one time, studied to be a Methodist minister and has lately visited a few spiritualist meetings. I invited him to my meeting. I feel if I can ever get a "foot in the door" he will be interested.

I was quite surprised Saturday night when I attended a meeting. A young man was also attending for the first time. The name was so familiar, then I remembered why. I met his sister one evening at a meeting about three years ago. She said her brother was more interested then she so I got his name and telephone number.

Paul Shockley and I talked many times by phone but always obstacles kept him from coming. He moved and I lost track of him about a year ago. I was so surprised to finally meet him at a most unexpected time. And to make the situation more convenient, he had left his car at a station with a flat tire. It was on my way home so I

took him to get his car. We had a good talk. He will try to come to the meetings, and he wants to buy a book.

There is a minister of a small group who wants me to lecture soon in his church. He is somewhat of a new age minister. He combines methods and teachings of both spiritualism and full gospel.

He knows I do not involve in spiritualism as a teaching, but he feels there is a common base. In some conversations with him away from his church he has said he feels strongly that Christ is alive on earth.

These are the main areas where I am working. Others are not advanced enough to even mention yet.

I'm hopeful that out of these there will be some new people come to the Principles.

BRIEF NEWS REELS

Berkeley, California

Mr. David Kim of Utah, Marie Laux and Terre Hall of Berkeley, California and John Schmidli of St. Helens, Oregon made a trip to Clearfield, Utah with a small trailer of furniture for the new chapel in Clearfield. They stayed one night in Elko, Nevada and safely arrived in Clearfield on Wednesday April 19th. They came back after a week stay, arriving in Berkeley on April 28th. On the way back one night was spent in Reno, Nevada where some new contacts were made at the University of Nevada.

Seattle, Washington

Warren Martin, Lowell Martin's brother was in Seattle during the first weekend of April. Dianne spent quite a bit of time with him. They had a chance to talk about the depth of the Principles beyond the group orientation.

Los Angeles, California

The Schuhart's will move into a new and larger center on May 1st. The new center has seven bedrooms, a large living room and basement, and a two car garage. Thus the work is expanding in Los Angeles both spiritually and physically.

Clearfield, Utah

The Clearfield Chapel will be dedicated to Our Master May 1, 1967, the day of the thirteenth anniversary of this work by Our Master in Seoul, Korea. A new house was obtained by Mr. David Kim and three members of the family from California and Oregon decorated the new house for the official dedication. The house has three bedrooms, a living room and

a half-basement. It also has large lawns in both the front and back. After a long struggle in Utah, the work in this state will begin to march forward from this opening day of the new chapel in Utah.

On April 26, all the family went to Salt Lake City to visit Sacred Ground. It was a nice spring day. They saw a beautiful panorama of the entire Salt Lake valley. After that they all went to the Mormon Temple Grounds and they had lunch in Salt Lake City before returning to the new chapel.

Thought and Circumstances

You will be what you will to be;
Let failure find its false content
In that poor word, "environment,"
But spirit scorns it, and is free.

It masters time, it conquers space;
It cows that boastful trickster, Chance,
And bids the tyrant Circumstance
Uncrown, and fill a servant's place.

The human Will, that force unseen,
The offspring of a deathless Soul,
Can hew a way to any goal,
Though walls of granite intervene.

Be not impatient in delay,
But wait as one who understands;
When spirit rises and commands,
The gods are ready to obey.

(Source: "As A Man Thinketh", by James Allen)