

## **GOD'S PLAN**

I know that to most of you this is very strange. You have been taught from the time you were very small, that when the time came for your soul to leave its physical body, either you came over here and would sleep until some day you called the judgment day, and someone blew a horn and woke you up, or else you thought when you left the physical body you immediately came before a judge and you were judged for what you had done on earth. The good was put on one side, and the bad was put on the other. If you did not meet the requirements, you went to a terrible place called hell. If the good weighed more than the bad, you were permitted, by God's grace, to enter a beautiful land called heaven. I can understand, since you have been taught these things for many years, this will be very strange to you and you will not be able to make it fit in with what you have been taught.

I am not here to lecture to take anything away from the truth of the Bible. I am not here to take anything away from the glory of Jesus and his teaching. I am here to give you a correct understanding of what Jesus taught and what God's plan is for man in the physical body, that he may live his life and come to this expression of life and enjoy it to the fullest, because he has understood and followed nature's laws.

I say to you, as you are alive now, so will you always live. You, at this time, are as much spirit as you ever will be. You are now spirit encased in flesh, but when you come through the open door from your expression of life into this expression of life, you lose the physical body. Your spiritual body remains the same as it was when you were in the former life. Your spiritual body is a body exactly like your physical body; therefore, it can not be seen by all people, because they have not developed their spiritual eyesight that they can raise their body to the same vibration and be able to see spirit.

I want you to know that, when your time in physical body is done, when it is time for you to leave your physical body, you step out of your body as you would step out of an old worn out suit, and you walk through this open door, I do not mean you go to a different country; it is around and about you right now. As I say, you have not all become developed enough to see the spirit people, but they are just as real to each other as you are to each other.

If people could only understand there is no death, that nothing ever dies! You are a part of God. The part of you that moves your body, that lets you

think, that permits you to do the things you wish to do, is the God part of you. When God created man, he sent out all souls. They found expression in physical bodies, but they are still that part of God, and God cannot be destroyed. How can you think that you, the God part of you, can ever be destroyed by fire? God cannot be destroyed. God is not going to put Himself into a burning fire, and that is all you have left when you leave the physical body behind – the God part.

God's plan was that these souls going out to be expressed in physical bodies, and given free wills of their own to make of their lives as they live them what they will, would gain experiences, would be individuals; but they would work onward and upward until they again came back to God – a perfect supreme being to be one with God. That is what life is for; and, I say to you, if you do not progress spiritually while in the body, you will have to progress spiritually after you leave the body; for no souls can ever be lost. They must all progress until they are one with God. It takes many centuries for most souls to reach this goal. Other souls have not strayed as far from God's plan, and they attain the higher realms much sooner.

Sometimes a soul will leave the body and come into this expression of life; and, after it has been here awhile, it looks back upon the people of the earth and sees how much help they need and asks that it be permitted to come back into a physical body, to live another earth life, to help people; for it is through helping others that you are able to help yourself, that you are able to advance spiritually. This is what man knows as reincarnation.

Some souls have been reincarnated in the body many times, have lived many earth lives. They have attained such a high degree of spiritual development, they have come back over here to go on far beyond what we can even reach. They are approaching God, to dwell with Him forever. That is God's plan.

Do not think that you are not punished for the things you do in the physical body that are not right. Hell, as you know hell, is not a place; it is a state of consciousness. As I say, God would not burn part of Himself, not torture Himself. How man can even make that sound reasonable, I cannot understand.

When you come into this expression of life, you do not meet God, not the God you think of. The God you meet is the God part within you. It is the

part of God's spirit that dwells within, and it keeps a perfect record of all you have done. When you come here you meet yourself face to face. You cannot say, "Oh, I did not do it like that." The God part of you has a true record of all your deeds and thoughts. You must see each deed exactly as it was done. You alone are the judge you will meet, but it will be a true judgement for you cannot judge in any other way.

Some people have spent their lives in the earth body for nothing but material gain, for nothing but the things of the world, and have neglected to even thank God for anything they have ever received, have been unkind to their fellowman, have felt no love for anyone but themselves. When they first come here, people of that kind are put in darkness. They dwell in darkness. I do not mean darkness such as you know when you have no light at night. It is as a heavy fog, and they dwell there without God's light to make it bright. When they become aware of what they have done and feel a desire to make right in every way they can the mistakes they have made, they are shown a light; and, as they progress toward that light, they grow until they come into the full glory of God's light. That is what you would refer to as heaven.

This darkness I am telling you about is the hell you will find. As I have told you before, when you come over here and you look back and you see a tear in the eye of someone you have wronged and you cannot reach back and wipe the tear away, that is hell. That is the kind of hell you will have.

When people who have lived in the body come through this open door, that have tried to reach for the better things of life, tried to deal honestly with their fellowmen, have been conscious of God in the world, they come into such a beautiful, glorious land that man cannot even imagine. It is not a land of golden streets with people wearing wings and playing harps all day. If you look for that, you will be disappointed. It is very much like the land you are leaving; but it is so much richer, so much cleaner, so much sweeter. All through this heavenly land, we do not have suns like yours to light it; we have God's light – the glorious light that flows from God's countenance and radiates all over this heavenly land until you feel so picked up, you feel as if you were wrapped in God's love, and you are. There is heavenly music and you have the opportunity to learn, to advance in any way that you wish in anything that appeals to you. You are free to follow whatever path you would like.

If you should come here after a long sickness, you would be cared for until your spirit was completely rested. You would not work until you, yourself, had a desire to do the things you wish to do. If I could only give you a glimpse of this glorious land we dwell in, I am afraid all you people, right now, would want to walk through the open door.

Man has nothing to fear from what he calls death; for he does not die. When each and every one of you people are ready to make the transition, before you even leave your body, your loved ones that are over here will gather around you and will take your hand and you will not even know you have left your physical body until you look back and see it lying there.

If we could take fear out of the hearts of people, that would be the greatest gift we could give. I know very well what your Bible says about all these things. We are taught the Bible here. We study the Bible, but we have a greater understanding, for the human part of us is gone and we are completely spirit. We understand the things you cannot see. As your Bible says, “Now you see through a glass darkly, but then you shall see face to face.” That is what you are doing. You are looking through a glass darkly, but we are looking face to face with the truth. We see it as it is.

As I have told you many times, the Bible was written by people in the flesh even as you. They were just ordinary people like you. Spirit impressed them and helped them to write the Bible, but anything that comes through the flesh cannot be completely pure. Man, without that being his intention, left a touch of the human in it. It cannot be pure spirit. Back in your Bible, in what you call the Old Testament, Moses went to the top of Mt. Sinai and there he met God. God gave him the laws, the spiritual laws, for the people of that time to live by. For many years, they were the laws that people were shown, that people were encouraged to try to live by. They made them examples – ideals for people to follow.

Then came Jesus. When he came upon the earth, he was a very highly developed spirit. He had been reincarnated many times in the physical body, and he had attained an almost complete spiritual advancement. He felt such a great love and compassion for the people of the world, he was willing to come back into a body and live a life here to try to teach people and show them the way.

When he came, he said the laws of Moses were not wrong, but he said, “I give you a new law. They told you in the Mosaic law an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, but that was because of the hardness of your hearts. You could not understand a higher teaching. Man had advanced and now, I say to you, if a man smites you on one cheek, turn to him the other; if he asks your coat, give him your cloak; if he asks you to go one mile, go with him two.”

Jesus gave different laws than those you will find in your Old Testaments, but they were not wrong just because they did not match what the Bible up to that time had said. It was because people were ready for a new understanding. Many things that Jesus taught were taught because people were not ready for a greater understanding. They had to be controlled by fear, for they did not have the desire strong enough within themselves to live a spiritual life for the good of spirit. They had to believe in a hell that burned, in a life that had to be lived so strict that there was very little chance for anyone to enter the kingdom of heaven. They were so dense in their spiritual understanding that, if they had been given any leeway, they would not have begun to follow God’s plan. That is why you will find hell pictured as it is pictured in your Bible.

Man has advanced since that time. Man has learned many things. As man has grown in understanding, it was a new time. Man was ready for a new understanding to be given to him – a new revelation. But a few years ago, spirit was able to come back and make themselves known to the people of the earth and prove to them they were the people they had known, that they were not dead, that they were alive, as much alive as the people they were touching back to.

Man has been very slow to accept this understanding even as, at the time of Jesus, they were very slow to accept Jesus’ teachings. Lots of people talk about the teachings we are trying to give from the spirit side of life to your side. They say it is not true, it cannot be, it is the work of the devil. Do you realize that, when Jesus came back to earth to give a new understanding to the people, at that time those very things were said of Jesus? The religious people were responsible for Jesus being put to death because he taught a new way of life and it did not match the way they had been teaching.

As we try to give this new dispensation to man, as we come through and try to give man this new understanding, there will be very many narrow people

that cannot see, that will not even listen, that do not want it proved to them. It can be proved to them beyond doubt. If any soul, living in the physical body at this time will have an open mind and listen, study, and pray, he will know these words I have given you, the things that we talk of, are true and cannot be destroyed regardless of how many people say it is not possible. Truth is God and truth will live.

I have wanted to give you people this lecture. I want you to understand these matters, for I know you have not the understanding that is necessary for you to know what laws govern the working of spirit. I have but very briefly touched on these things. Even though you spend the rest of your life in the physical body, you will not have a complete spiritual understanding because it is such a great, large idea that is beyond man's complete understanding.

I want you people to carry these truths in your heart for, if you have once opened the door, if you once have listened, even though at that time you may not accept these teachings, the door has been opened, and it can never be closed. You cannot erase from your consciousness these things I have told you; and, if you do nothing more about living them, when you come through the open door, you will have an understanding and you will not feel lost. You will immediately think, "Why it is just as they said," and you will feel at home. It will not be something strange that will be a great shock to you so that you will not be able to realize where you are for a long period of time. You have opened the door for this understanding and it will never be closed.

I can look around at this group of people listening to White Lily, and I know there are none who would not like to have a perfect understanding of the spiritual. I say to you, it is not wrapped up in creeds, dogmas, in certain churches. It is in all churches. It is in all people. It is as simple as, "Love ye one another." If you, in your physical body, never do anything that would hurt another, or never do anything that would hurt yourself, you would be living a perfect life. It is that simple.

I realize that when you try to live that kind of life, it is not as simple as it would seem by just the few words it takes to tell you, but it is the path that Jesus trod, and it is the path all people can tread. It is the path that leads to

the most successful, the most satisfying life in the body and perfect life in the spirit.

I have told you people many times, but it is something you need to hear many times, that you are part of God, each and everyone of you. There is a part of God within you, and there is a part of God within all people. You are a part of each other. Every other fellow-being is your brother. I do not mean that you must just have a feeling of kindness towards him; I mean he is part of you as much as if he were part of your body. The same God dwells within both of you. It makes no difference what his color is, what country he is from, if he is rich or poor, clean or dirty, he is part of you. As you deal with him, so you will be forced to deal with yourself when you meet yourself face to face.

“Love one another,” were the words Jesus expressed on so many occasions when he was in the body, for he realized if we loved everybody we could not do any wrong. It is as simple as that. You have been told there are many things you must not do, that straight and narrow is the path and few there be that find it. I say to you, wide and broad is the path, and it has many paths off to the side. If you do not leave your little narrow path and go to help your brother that has taken the paths to the side, you will not advance very far. There are many paths and they all lead to God.

I would not have you people fill your mouths with vulgar words. I do not tell you it is sin, for there is no sin as man has grown to understand sin. There is disobeying the laws, but that is not sin. I would rather you had good in your mouths. There is so much good to talk about. Doesn't it seem foolish to waste your time with something undesirable?

There are many things people do that you have been taught are wrong. Unless it harms someone, unless it harms you, it is not wrong; it cannot be. If you disregard taking care of your body, it is wrong; for you are harming yourself and those that love you, for they would worry about you. If you have said an unkind thing to any living soul, that is wrong; for you are hurting them and, when you hurt them, you are hurting yourself.

If you can learn to live in peace and accord with all people, if you can learn to put the wishes of your fellowman above your own selfish interests, if you can learn to reach out a helping hand to those that are not as fortunate in worldly goods as you are, you will be following the path that Jesus trod.

As I say, it is very simple. It is not complex. Man has made it complex, but that was not God's plan. That was not Jesus' teachings. You will find that, as you try to live the way that will bring you the most spiritual advancement, it will be the easiest, the most satisfying life you can live. It is the only way you can have peace within yourself. When you come over here, you will find you will walk through the open door into such a glorious realm of spirit that you cannot conceive of it in the body.

People talk about the devil; but, I say to you, the only devil there is, the only one that you will ever meet, is the one that dwells within you. It is the part of you that is human, the part of you that is tied to worldly things, that does not wish to follow God's plan, that wants to live for the things of the body alone. That is the devil and that is the only devil.

If you people will look up, ask God for help, pray for understanding, and try to live to the best of your ability, you will have a wonderful life. As you make the attempt, the path ahead will be made easier, the way will be shown to you. You will find as you live day by day, the way will be made easy, and you will be carried in the hollow of God's Hand. You will be taken care of in a way you did not dream possible.

You need have no fears. You need have no fear of the future or of the present time. Jesus has promised you, through God, that you will be taken care of. He said, "Ask and you will receive." He did not say, "If you do this and do that, He may help you." That is not what he said. There were no strings attached. He said, "Ask and you will receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you." He said, "Take no thought of tomorrow, neither what ye shall eat, what ye shall drink, or what you shall put on, for your Heavenly Father knows ye have need of all these things. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added unto you." That was the only string he put on. He said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness." Whenever you earnestly desire to live a better life, to look up, and try to reach for higher things, you are seeking the kingdom of God and you will be taken care of. That is God's promise to man in the physical body.

All of these people that have been with White Lily since she first started to talk were told this almost immediately and they have tried White Lily's way. They will all tell you they have been taken care of far beyond their greatest

needs, far beyond what they thought was possible, and the worry has all been taken away. They know they are in the hallow of God's Hand. Nothing can harm them, not even death, for there is no death. They know if their soul was to leave their body they would not be harmed. There is nothing to harm them.

I wish the peace, the contentment of a spiritual life for all of you people. I want you to understand you do not have to be long-faced, sad, burdened down with the world's cares. God does not intend for man to live in this manner. He intended man to be a happy, contented person; and, if you will try to live according to God's plan, you will find a happiness, a peace, a contentment, you did not even know existed.

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