Immediately tempted



7. Miracles are everyone's right... because they are the right of a whole mind, ...but purification is necessary first. You have to do what? In your own body associations examine the defense mechanisms that you have used to establish your limited reality. Miracles will not work unless you forgive. They can't. If there is a sin or sickness outside of you, that you are not the cause of, the miracle obviously won't work because it is not under the control of your own mind. That is a fact.

8. Miracles are healing because they supply a lack; and you are lacking here. ... they are performed by those who temporarily have more for those who temporarily have less. That is a fact. This coming to peace and serenity that you are undergoing in your mind will be a great assistance to the thought forms that are in your chaotic association.

The peace that you are feeling in the miracle of your mind is literally communicative. The consciousnesses that will come around you will suddenly begin to feel real good because you have brought about in their mind a change in who they are through your non-resistance of your association with them in the falsity. You are establishing Godly or holy relationships with each other. Isn't that lovely?

9. Miracles are a kind of exchange. Why? They need to be acknowledged. The moment you would acknowledge your brother as a whole living Son of God, you will become that, because he is a reflection of your mind. Yes, that is so, I will have that wholly.

like all expressions of love, which are always miraculous in the true sense, the exchange reverses the physical laws. They bring more love both to the giver and the receiver. Physical laws demand that you keep separate from each other and identify yourself through the separation of each other. A miracle says, "No we are only as God created us wholly. I will not judge you in my own mind and you must change because I have changed my mind about myself and subsequently about you." It is impossible that that not be so.

later on it is going to ask if it is necessary that consciousness acknowledge you. No. That's why we need so many of these concepts, so that you can see that. What do they do? They bring more love both to the giver and the receiver. Actually they bring the acknowledgment that you can only give to yourself. The miracle, then, becomes nothing more than your total giving, which is your determination not to hold onto your own perceptual associations in defense of the things that are outside of you. That is the perfect miracle: God only gives. God only creates.

10. The use of miracles as spectacles to induce belief is a misunderstanding of their purpose. Obviously, that's the magic of it, isn't it? Can you do that? Sure. Can you authenticate the power of your mind? Yes. But not to the full power of it; that cannot be authenticated. You can do much more than you pretend to. You can do everything. Moving mountains is the least you can do. You are always being tempted by the devil, aren't you?

You undergo this enlightenment occasion, you are baptized by John, you have a little enlightenment and you are immediately tempted

by the devil to use that power in the limitation. This is Jesus in the desert for forty days, with

the devil saying, "Throw yourself off the pinnacle, let God save you." All of the things you are tempted to use this power of your mind for, and always have been.

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