



MY SIX WEEKS IN THE DESERT were a time of total inner cleansing of my human consciousness. Old attitudes, beliefs and prejudices were dissolved.

The time has come for me to share with receptive people all that I felt, 'saw', realized and understood. (To help people abandon the age-old imaginative pictures of a biblical 'deity' I will avoid referring to 'God' by that word and will use a terminology designed to stretch your minds to embrace what 'really is' beyond all earthly form, color, sound, emotion, and comprehension.

This terminology will become ever more meaningful as you persevere in meditation and prayer.)

WHAT I FELT WHEN IN THE DESERT

I was uplifted into inner radiant light and felt vibrant and wondrously alive with power. I was filled with ecstasy and joy and I knew beyond all doubt that **THIS POWER** was the true Creator out of which all created things had been given their being.

This glorious interior harmony, peace, and sense of perfect fulfillment, needing nothing more to be added to that beautiful moment, was the very nature of the Reality, the Creative Power, giving Life to creation and existence.

What I 'saw', realized, perceived when in the desert.

I was lifted into another dimension of conscious perception, which enabled me to see the **TRUTH** concerning life and existence. I saw, lucidly and clearly, what was real and what was false in man's thinking.

I realized that this 'Creative Power' I was experiencing was infinite, eternal, universal, filling all space beyond sky, oceans, earth, and all living things. I saw It was **MIND POWER**.

It was the **CREATIVE POWER** of **MIND**.

There was no point where this '**DIVINE CREATIVE POWER OF MIND**' was not.

I realized that human mind was drawn from **DIVINE CREATIVE MIND** but was only a candle lit by the sun.

At times, my human sight was so spiritually heightened, I could see through rocks, earth, sand. These now appeared to be only a 'shimmer of tiny `motes'.

I realized that nothing was really solid!

When I had moments of doubt that this could be so, the changes in the phenomena stopped taking place, and much later, I discovered that: my thoughts, if strongly imbued with CONVICTION could effect changes in the 'shimmer of motes' (what science presently calls electrically charged particles) and therefore produce changes in the appearance of the rock or whatever I was studying.

It was at this point, that I came to realize the powerful effect that CONVICTION or unwavering FAITH had on the environment when stating a command or even a belief.

What was even more startling was my mind-opening, 'cosmic consciousness' realization that all I had been witnessing was really the '**Creative Power**' of **Divine Mind Itself** made visible in the 'shimmer of tiny motes'.

Not only this, its **appearance** could be profoundly affected by the activity of human thought.

I realized there was nothing solid in the universe, everything visible was manifesting a differing 'state of consciousness' which determined the composition and form of the 'shimmer of motes'.

Therefore, all outer form was an expression of the inner consciousness.

LIFE and CONSCIOUSNESS, I realized, were one and the same thing.

It was impossible to say 'This is LIFE' and 'That is CONSCIOUSNESS'.

Consciousness was Life, and Life was Consciousness and was the '**Creative Power**' of both; **DIVINE**

UNIVERSAL MIND' beyond, within and behind the universe.

I realized that people placed highest importance on **individuality and form**. They could not imagine mind or intelligence operating in any effective way other than through the medium of individual form. Because of this, the Jews had created a mental image of a vast supreme being, having all the attributes, positive and negative, of a human being. Thus was it possible for prophets to believe in, and speak of, Jehovah's anger, threats of punishment, visitations of sickness and plagues in response to human waywardness. But these mental images, I realized were myths. They did not exist.

I perceived that, in any dimension of existence, it was the MIND, the intelligence exhibited, which was the all-important factor relating to creation and man, himself. Therefore, Genesis should be rewritten: Before creation, was **UNIVERSAL MIND, Creative Power behind and within creation itself.**

Having 'seen' so clearly, beyond all dispute, that the **Creative Power of UNIVERSAL MIND** was everywhere, within the infinity of the skies and active within earthly forms as well, I was inwardly directed to look around me and saw only gravel and rock. Then, suddenly I was presented with a picture of a beautiful land in which were growing every conceivable plant, shrub and tree, even birds flitted in the trees, and animals grazed the grass.

Watching this vision with amazement, I 'saw' that plants and trees, every one of them, and yes, even birds and animals, in reality, were composed of hundreds of communities of infinitely tiny entities (your modern scientists call them 'cells') working continuously, in an entirely harmonious spirit of cooperation, to produce the substance and various organs of the inner system and the outer appearance

of the completed living entity.

I contemplated this wonderful activity for a long time, although time was no longer of any importance to me. As I gazed and gazed, I thought, 'Who would have guessed that within the outer covering of fur, feather, skin, there was such intense activity within tiny communities of entities, working together to give life, form, nutrition, healing, protection, endurance to the bodies of so many different species.

It was the intelligently performed WORK which attracted my attention.

Therefore, **WORK**, I realized was an integral part of the **Creative Power Activity** from the very least 'entity' (cell) within living systems to the most advanced entity in the universe, man himself. In the systems of all living things, all the labor was under the direction, ultimately, of the **Divine Creative Power**, in whom were the plans and designs of creation. I saw that these plans and designs were, in reality, 'consciousness forms' and could be termed **WORDS**, since each **WORD** *signifies a very special 'consciousness' form.*

Hence the original **WORD** in '**Creative Power Consciousness**' becomes manifested in the visible world. The **WORD**, and therefore the '**Consciousness Pattern**' remains within the **DIVINE CREATIVE MIND** continually bringing forth its own.

I could 'see' then, that everything in the universe, did 'live, move and have its being' in the **Creative Power** of **UNIVERSAL MIND** which was infinite and eternal and was the only true *Reality* behind all manifestations of individualized form.

I was filled with praise that everything in the world was out of, and yet within this superlative **Creative Power of Divine Mind**. I marveled at all this secret activity forever taking place in all living things, including human bodies, and wondered how it was that such infinitely small units worked intelligently according to specified plans to produce, unerringly, the proposed form, tree trunk, leaf, flower, fruit, insects, birds, animals and human bodies.

I then realized, even more clearly, that the '**Creative Power**' was the very **Source** of all '**intelligent activity**' in the universe.

If mankind possessed intelligence, it was only because he had drawn it from the '**Universal Source of All Being**'.

Furthermore, I was shown that the **Divine Creative Power** always worked according to certain fundamental and exact principles of construction.

I was shown that:

Just as men have clear characteristics and a well-defined 'nature' in their self-presentation to the world at large, so did the **CREATIVE POWER** possess a clearly defined 'Nature', distinct characteristics, which could be clearly recognized in the manner that all living things, plants, animals, birds, men, were constructed and maintained.

I 'saw' that these 'principles' and 'characteristics', clearly observable in the process of creation, were set, invariable **LAWS** governing all of existence.

These **LAWS** are so much part of life that they are never questioned. They are undeviating and consistent, but there would be no such laws if there were no **Creative Intelligent Power** manifesting Itself through the universe. These 'principles' of creation, the characteristics of the **Creative Power** Itself, are as follows:

(I am translating them into your present tense because these 'principles' are eternal.)

1. The 'Nature' of the 'Creative Power' is GROWTH. Everything living always grows.

GROWTH is a universal characteristic, an undeviating principle of existence.

2. The 'Nature' of the 'Creative Power' is NUTRITION and NOURISHMENT. Nutrition and Nourishment are a normal and marvelously organized process within bodies which is evident to all who take the trouble to consider them. Nutrition is provided for all living things according to individual preferences and the food is digested to promote health and well-being. When little creatures are born, milk is already supplied within the mother, ready and waiting for the newborn. This too is a mystifying principle of existence none can deny.

No science can explain why such a fortuitous function within the system ensuring survival of the species, should have originally come into being. The actual function itself may be understood but not the 'why' and the mainspring of the function.

3. The 'Nature' of the 'Creative Power' is HEALING. **Healing** is a natural characteristic of existence and can be said to be a natural 'Perfecting Process', which takes place to ensure individual comfort but none can explain what prompts the activity of healing.

4. The 'Nature' of the 'Creative Power' is PROTECTION. **Protection** is an integral characteristic of Creative Power and all of Its seeming 'miraculous' activity in the world is geared towards protection. (Today, your medical text books describe the various protective systems in your body but when I was in the desert I 'saw' the characteristic of Protection inherent in the Intelligent Creative Power in the following way.)

As plants, birds and animals were presented to me for inspired observation, I could see how every 'need of protection' in bodies has been lovingly supplied, with the greatest attention to detail.

5. This characteristic of 'Protection' is combined with the other dynamic characteristic of FULFILMENT OF NEED.

This was made clearly apparent in the provision of hair, fur and feathers to protect the skin of living creatures and to provide warmth in the cold and shelter in the heat. I saw that the tender endings of important and sensitive fingers and toes were all provided with appropriate protection of hoof and nail.

Eyebrows protected eyes from sweat, eyelids and lashes protected eyes from dust and damage. I realized that those animals which attracted flies were equipped with the kind of tails which would most speedily get rid of them.

What a happy, joyous kind of love and caring were expressed in these small physical attributes which seemed so small and inconsequential and yet had such a profound bearing on the comfort of all living things. These physical luxuries, added to the basic physical design, were clearly the product of an Intelligence which intended creation to be comfortable and happy, free of the stress which would have been experienced by man and beast if these 'luxury items' had not been given them!

Even the natural functions were so intelligently and comfortably designed as to call forth thanksgiving. Everything tucked so neatly out of sight. How blest, how fortunate was mankind to be born into a life so wonderfully provided for! Again my praises soared and I was lifted on an inner golden light of rapturous wonder, for I now 'saw' that, in addition to freedom from stress, living creatures were also meant to express the exuberant loving **NATURE** of the **Creative Power**. For this reason, they were equipped with limbs: arms, hands, legs and feet, fingers and toes, to enable them to move about, run, leap and dance, to be able to express their inmost thoughts and feelings. I even felt

that if mankind longed to fly and grow wings and believed with all their hearts they could do so; eventually they would begin growing something additional to enable them to fly.

It was at this point of understanding of the **NATURE** of the '**Creative Power**' that I came into the full consciousness of the **LOVE** directing the **WORKS** of the **Universal Intelligent Creative Power**.

As I pondered this **LOVE**, I realized that the 'mother' in creation, nourishes, protects, fulfills the needs and tries to promote healing of offspring; this is the activity of **LOVE**.

6. The innate characteristic of the LOVING INTELLIGENT CREATIVE POWER which has given creation its individual form and 'being' is WORK. It works for us, in us, and through us. Its 'work' is always, always, always, prompted by LOVE.

This cosmic revelation filled me with joy and astonishment. What a wonderful world we lived in! It was the culminating point in my enlightenment and my overall view of the **TRUTH** concerning the **SOURCE of ALL BEING**.

I had already 'seen' the reality of the physical bodies composed of various communities of identical 'infinitely tiny entities' working in a spirit of co-operation and harmony to produce the various components of the body, flesh, bone, blood to eyes and hair.

The only difference between these communities **lay in the type of work** demanded by their common goals. Surely the **DIVINE IMPULSE** behind all this intelligent, purposeful activity in the body, was both the inspiration and foundation of man's own conduct when people worked in unison to produce a planned objective? They drew intelligence and purpose from the **Creative Power** yet how very different was man's behavior when engaged in earthly construction or any other communal project for it was inevitably characterized by arguments and dissension.

I was brought to a realization of the **INFINITE POWER** of the '**Intelligent Creativity**' ever active within creation, maintaining order, co-operation, harmony, daily productivity, unequalled by man anywhere, at any time.

7. SURVIVAL was a natural characteristic of the '**Creative Power**'. In every case, the most wonderful provision had been made for all living things to grow, be healed of illnesses and injury, nourished in order to keep the body healthy, and to produce its own kind in order to ensure survival on this earth. This was the only reality mankind could be absolutely sure of and **Its** activity was consistent, year in and year out. The sun, moon, stars, all remained in their places for millennia and it was recognized that they all possessed their own paths of movement, this phenomena was all part of the grand scheme for survival in creation.

If this was so, how could there not be survival of the eternal flame of: Loving Intelligent Creative Power hidden within the created entities of every kind in the universe? Therefore, this world was but a shadow and image of the hidden worlds of Loving Intelligent Creative Power beyond this dimension. The Reality of the entirety of creation lay beyond this visible world.

8. The inherent characteristic of Loving Intelligent Creative Power was RHYTHM. I saw that there was a RHYTHM in operation in the world.

Everything was subject to seasons which gave a blossoming and burgeoning of life, a growing season coming up to the ripening and harvest, and the production of seeds which ensured the survival of plant life. Then there was the gradual dying away and rest period of winter. But nothing created and living was allowed to become extinct. The sun and moon expressed these characteristics within the universe. This rhythm could even be seen in the females of living things.

Therefore, everything in creation had its due time for appearance and harvest. It followed that man himself was subject to tides of growth and success and tides of dormancy.

9. The inherent characteristic of the Loving Intelligent Creative Power was LAW AND ORDER.

The undeviating order and reliability apparent in creation, even governing the tiny entities ('cells') within the body, were astonishing and far transcended any human endeavor. Therefore, the entire universe was operating under a system of perfect LAW & ORDER.

I realized on ever higher and higher levels of spiritual exaltation that the 'creative power' exhibited intelligent purposefulness and loving concern for all living things. I realized that life was not something nebulous or amorphous but an intelligent loving creative power which I could actually feel within myself as a tremendously heightened state of being, perception, radiance, ecstasy, joy, love. I knew myself to be one with it, filled with it, and I was one with everything around me and one with the sky and stars.

And, most wonderful and glorious of all, the very '**Nature**' and '**Function**' of this '**Father, Creative Power**' was to work in order *to* create joy, beauty, and comfort to ensure mankind's well-being, to work within mankind to provide interior joy, health and comfort, and to work through mankind, inspiring him with new realization and understanding.

Wonderful vistas of glorious creativity came to mind. Once we became truly 'at one', purified channels and instruments of the '**Intelligent Creative Power**', we could gradually ascend in consciousness until we truly expressed through our minds and hearts the very '**NATURE**' of the '**Universal Creative Power**'.

Then 'life on earth' would indeed become a 'state of heaven' at all times and we would enter into a state of eternal life!

This must surely be the true goal behind creation, I thought. And it came to me with a surge of elation and loving joy, that this was the purpose for which man had been evolved and developed!

But, even at this present time, although mankind was so very imperfect in his behavior, absolutely nothing was impossible to him in the future, since, despite his wrongdoing, he was one with the "Creative Power' and the 'Creative Power' was within him, giving him life, limb, and everything else he needed.

All of this realization lifted me to the heights of rapture, elation and sublime ecstasy, so that I was scarcely able to bear it. I felt my body must dissolve with the expansion of Power within me. I was irradiated with **LIGHT** and could see **It** all around me illuminating the desert scene.

My heart sang in praises. How wonderful and beautiful was the Loving Creative Power which worked in, through and for us, unceasingly!

What a MIRACLE was creation!

I cried out loud:

'**YOU** are the **SOURCE** of all **BEING**, both creator and also manifested within and through the created: there is nothing in the entire universe which is apart or separate from the limitless, eternal infinity of **DIVINE LIFE, Creative Power Consciousness**, that you are, how then is it possible that mankind is so sinful, and why do people suffer disease, misery and poverty? Tell me, o loving **loving Father Creative Power**, because I have been heavily burdened with the pain of their miserable lives.'

Then I was shown the reality of the 'earthly condition' of all living things.

I felt immense excitement because, at last, I would be able to understand how it was that such a loving **Divine 'Creative Power'** could allow Its creation to endure such misery.

I was shown that every living thing in creation should be radiantly healthy, cared for, nourished, protected, healed, maintained in peace and plenty, prospered within an orderly society of 'beings' extending only love to each other.

(However, at the moment of creation, two BASIC IMPULSES came into being, ensuring individuality, and it was these which controlled mankind's consciousness.

End of Part I