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PART I

LESSON 123.

I thank my Father for His gifts to me.

W-123.1. Today let us be thankful. 2 We have come to gentler pathways and to smoother roads. 3 There is no thought of turning back, and no implacable resistance to the truth. 4 A bit of wavering remains, some small objections and a little hesitance, but you can well be grateful for your gains, which are far greater than you realize.

W-123.2. A day devoted now to gratitude will add the benefit of some insight into the real extent of all the gains which you have made; the gifts you have received. 2 Be glad today, in loving thankfulness, your Father has not left you to yourself, nor let you wander

in the dark alone. 3 Be grateful He has saved you from the self you thought you made to take the place of Him and His creation. 4 Give Him thanks today.

W-123.3. Give thanks that He has not abandoned you, and that His Love forever will remain shining on you, forever without change. 2 Give thanks as well that you are changeless, for the Son He loves is changeless as Himself. 3 Be grateful you are saved. 4 Be glad you have a function in salvation to fulfill. 5 Be thankful that your value far transcends your meager gifts and petty judgments of the one whom God established as His Son.

W-123.4. Today in gratitude we lift our hearts above despair, and raise our thankful eyes, no longer looking downward to the dust. 2 We sing the song of thankfulness today, in honor of the Self that God has willed to be our true Identity in Him. 3 Today we smile on everyone we see, and walk with lightened footsteps as we go to do what is appointed us to do.

W-123.5. We do not go alone. 2 And we give thanks that in our solitude a Friend has come to speak the saving Word of God to us. 3 And thanks to you for listening to Him. 4 His Word is soundless if it be not heard. 5 In thanking Him the thanks are yours as well. 6 An unheard message will not save the world, however mighty be the Voice that speaks, however loving may the message be.

W-123.6. Thanks be to you who heard, for you become the messenger who brings His Voice with you, and lets It echo round and round the world. 2 Receive the thanks of God today, as you give thanks to Him. 3 For He would offer you the thanks you give, since He receives your gifts in loving gratitude, and gives them back a thousand and a hundred thousand more than they were given. 4 He will bless your gifts by sharing them with you. 5 And so they grow in power and in strength, until they fill the world with gladness and with gratitude.

W-123.7. Receive His thanks and offer yours to Him for fifteen minutes twice today. 2 And you will realize to Whom you offer thanks, and Whom He thanks as you are thanking Him. 3 This holy half an hour given Him will be returned to you in terms of years for every second; power to save the world eons more quickly for your thanks to Him.

W-123.8. Receive His thanks, and you will understand how lovingly He holds you in His Mind, how deep and limitless His care for you, how perfect is His gratitude to you. 2 Remember hourly to think of Him, and give Him thanks for everything He gave His Son, that he might rise above the world, remembering his Father and his Self.

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