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PART I

LESSON 76. I am under no laws but God's.

W-76.1. We have observed before how many senseless things have seemed to you to be salvation. 2 Each has imprisoned you with laws as senseless as itself. 3 You are not bound by them. 4 Yet to understand that this is so, you must first realize salvation lies not there. 5 While you would seek for it in things that have no meaning, you bind yourself to laws that make no sense. 6 Thus do you seek to prove salvation is where it is not.

W-76.2. Today we will be glad you cannot prove it. 2 For if you could, you would forever seek salvation where it is not, and never find it. 3 The idea for today tells you once again how simple is salvation. 4 Look for it where it waits for you, and there it will

be found. 5 Look nowhere else, for it is nowhere else.

W-76.3. Think of the freedom in the recognition that you are not bound by all the strange and twisted laws you have set up to save you. 2 You really think that you would starve unless you have stacks of green paper strips and piles of metal discs. 3 You really think a small round pellet or some fluid pushed into your veins through a sharpened needle will ward off disease and death. 4 You really think you are alone unless another body is with you.

W-76.4. It is insanity that thinks these things. 2 You call them laws, and put them under different names in a long catalogue of rituals that have no use and serve no purpose. 3 You think you must obey the "laws" of medicine, of economics and of health. 4 Protect the body, and you will be saved.

W-76.5. These are not laws, but madness. 2 The body is endangered by the mind that hurts itself. 3 The body suffers just in order that the mind will fail to see it is the victim of itself. 4 The body's suffering is a mask the mind holds up to hide what really suffers. 5 It would not understand it is its own enemy; that it attacks itself and wants to die. 6 It is from this your "laws" would save the body. 7 It is for this you think you are a body.

W-76.6. There are no laws except the laws of God. 2 This needs repeating, over and over, until you realize it applies to everything that you have made in opposition to God's Will. 3 Your magic has no meaning. 4 What it is meant to save does not exist. 5 Only what it is meant to hide will save you.

W-76.7. The laws of God can never be replaced. 2 We will devote today to rejoicing that this is so. 3 It is no longer a truth that we would hide. 4 We realize instead it is a truth that keeps us free forever. 5 Magic imprisons, but the laws of God make free. 6 The light has come because there are no laws but His.

W-76.8. We will begin the longer practice periods today with a short review of the different kinds of "laws" we have believed we must obey. 2 These would include, for example, the "laws" of nutrition, of immunization, of medication, and of the body's protection in innumerable ways. 3 Think further; you believe in the "laws" of friendship, of "good" relationships and reciprocity. 4 Perhaps you even think that there are laws which set forth what is God's and what is yours. 5 Many "religions" have been based on this. 6 They would not save but damn in Heaven's name. 7 Yet they are no more strange than other "laws" you hold must be obeyed to make you safe.

W-76.9. There are no laws but God's. 2 Dismiss all foolish magical beliefs today, and hold your mind in silent readiness to hear the Voice that speaks the truth to you. 3 You will be listening to One Who says there is no loss under the laws of God. 4 Payment is neither given nor received. 5 Exchange cannot be made; there are no substitutes; and nothing is replaced by something else. 6 God's laws forever give and never take.

W-76.10. Hear Him Who tells you this, and realize how foolish are the "laws" you thought upheld the world you thought you saw. 2 Then listen further. 3 He will tell you more. 4 About the Love your Father has for you. 5 About the endless joy He offers you. 6

About His yearning for His only Son, created as His channel for creation; denied to Him by his belief in hell.

W-76.11. Let us today open God's channels to Him, and let His Will extend through us to Him. 2 Thus is creation endlessly increased. 3 His Voice will speak of this to us, as well as of the joys of Heaven which His laws keep limitless forever. 4 We will repeat today's idea until we have listened and understood there are no laws but God's. 5 Then we will tell ourselves, as a dedication with which the practice period concludes:

6 I am under no laws but God's.

W-76.12. We will repeat this dedication as often as possible today; at least four or five times an hour, as well as in response to any temptation to experience ourselves as subject to other laws throughout the day. 2 It is our statement of freedom from all danger and all tyranny. 3 It is our acknowledgment that God is our Father, and that His Son is saved.

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