



Divine Love Newsletter

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FROM THE EDITORS

Happy New Year, dear brothers and sisters in Christ! We are pleased to bring you another newsletter that we hope will encourage and uplift you. In this issue, Tim Foley shares an article titled “The Soul’s Longings”. He writes that expressing soulful longings for God’s Divine Love is one of the most important aspects of prayer and yet one of the least understood. Tim refers to Padgett messages which explain that the mind is not involved in soulful longings except to start the soul’s longings and prayer. He suggests that if you feel your prayerful expressions emanating from your head, you might consider refocusing your prayers to come from your heart. Praying from the heart was also suggested in an article by Jimbeau Walsh, “Heart and Soul”, in our [January 2018 newsletter](#). Jimbeau wrote that “the heart is the gateway to the soul. Whenever anyone asks from their heart – their soul – to receive the gift of Divine Love, the doorway is opened, and the Holy Spirit of the Creator delivers this Love.”

Some say that the inflowing of the Divine Love can be felt as a burning or glowing sensation in the heart region. Eva Peck reminds us in her article, “Keeping Yourself in the Love of God – Manifesting Love in Our Lives”, that “people can and do have God’s Love in their souls without understanding it or formally praying for it. Their souls may be yearning for it without their conscious awareness.” She writes that there is little or no difference between Divine Love and natural love in regard to the outward manifestation of loving behavior. Specific expressions of love flow from people’s gifts, and Eva shares scriptures which provide examples of gifts and service.

The points made in Eva’s article are supported by the Book of Ruth of the Old Testament ([Sermon 12](#) of the 76 Sermons on the Old Testament of the Bible). This story is about a Hebrew woman, Naomi, who powerfully exemplified the natural love, given to all humans, which so impacted her pagan daughter-in-law Ruth that she chose to follow Naomi and give herself to the Hebrew God rather than follow her sister-in-law, Oprah, back to her people and the gods of the Moabites. Naomi was a kind, loving and good-hearted woman and Ruth concluded that these qualities could only exist if Naomi’s God possessed similar qualities of love and kindness with which He imbued His Creation. Naomi displayed the loving attributes of God in her life, even though Divine Love was not available at that time, which led Ruth to seek and come to know God herself.

Several of our Divine Love Community members have received messages regarding future events and earth changes. Catherine Kent shares a prophetic dream and provides her own interpretation of events in her dream as good news for positive changes in our world.

Lani Domaloy has written a beautiful reflection about “Sunset.” We are featuring Jimbeau Walsh’s poem, “God’s Dancer”, that he received from Hafiz.

In community news, Al Fike has published the third book of a trilogy containing spiritual lessons channeled through him by Jesus, “[Awakening to Soul Consciousness](#)”. Catherine Koch, of Love Is The Answer (LITA) in Uganda, has added to their [YouTube channel](#) short videos, one for each day in December up to Christmas, on the various happenings and experiences at LITA. Eva Peck updated the [Divine Love Resource Guide](#) containing links to Divine Love websites, You-Tube channels, forums, Facebook groups, authors, services, and translations to other languages. And the FCDT has updated their [website](#).

Past issues of the newsletter can be downloaded from the Divine Love Community portal or from the Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation website. Contributions can be emailed to the editors at editors@fcdt.org (Eva Peck and Michael Nedbal)

THE SOUL'S LONGINGS (TIM FOLEY)



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This is one of the least understood and most important of all aspects of true prayer. Although the idea of desire for God's Presence during prayer is often written about, little is known about these desires except to say that they are a key element in contemplative prayer. In fact, I consider the expressing of the longings of my soul to be more important during prayer than the receiving of Divine Love. For the Love will always come when the longings and earnest aspirations are there. So what exactly are the soul's longings and how do we learn to express them during our silent prayer? One of the best descriptions I have read is from Volume I, *True Gospel Revealed Anew*, pages 344-345, which I will quote here:

"You have been told that the only way to obtain that Kingdom is by Divine Love, which partakes of the very Essence of the Father Himself. Well, this is a correct explanation of the operation of this Love on the soul, but in order to get this Love there must be earnest supplication on the part of the seeker, and a mere mental desire for the inflowing of the Love will not suffice.

This is a matter that pertains to the soul alone and the mind is not involved except, as you might say, to start the soul's longings and prayer. When you think that you are longing for this Love and have a mere mental desire for its inflowing, the Love will not come, because it never responds to the mere mind and must always be sought for by the soul's longings. Many men have the intellectual desire for the Love of God, and upon that desire rest, and believe that they have the Love and that there is nothing further for them to do; but they will find themselves mistaken, and that instead of possessing this Love they have awakened only the natural love, and in a way, started it towards its goal of the purified soul, like the first parents before the fall, and will not experience the transformation that comes with the possession of the Divine Love. It is no easy matter to have these longings possess the soul, and men should not remain satisfied with these mere mental desires for they will not be benefitted by such desires, except, as I say, in the way of having their natural love purified. The longings of the soul come only from a realization that this Love is waiting to be bestowed, and that the soul must become active and earnest in its endeavor to have this Love come into it, and then transformation takes place.

From this you will see how utterly impossible it is for devotees of the church to experience this Love or to have the longings of the soul which are not aroused by the observance of the church's sacraments, and the duties which it imposes upon them. ... So you will see that a man may be apparently devout and full of zeal for his church and the teachings of his creed, and yet will not be benefitted so far as the progress of the soul is concerned.

Let not your desires be only of the intellect, but try to bring into activity the longings of the soul, and do not rest satisfied until a response shall come, and it will certainly come and you will know that the love is present working its transforming power upon the soul."

It should be noted that the intellect does have a secondary role in prayer, at least in our discursive prayer for the inflowing of God’s Great Love. That is by way of influencing the soul, priming it, if you will, to begin the exercise of the soul’s longings. First you discover it intellectually, then the soul becomes aware of it and is drawn to the idea that the soul through these longings can commune with our Creator – soul to Soul. I might add that if, during our contemplative prayer, you are experiencing or expressing the longings with only your mind and experiencing these expressions in the head region of your body, then you need to re-focus these longings. Try gently experiencing your desires in the region of your chest. Feel the longings emanating from your heart, for this is approximately where the human soul is. Keep attempting this until it becomes comfortable for you, and the feeling in the area of your head will seem unfamiliar and uncomfortable.

It may take some time to develop these longings in the heart region, and here I might say that the intellect is somewhat involved again in this process of developing the longings in the soul by influencing or directing the soul to take over the expressing of such longings. After a time determined by Father, you will automatically go to the region of the heart. You will feel your desires -- your heartfelt desires – more and more and you will know that your soul is involved at the deepest level. An advantage to our benefit is the fact that our breathing also takes place in this region of the heart and soul and can be used as a focal point, if you will, to remind us that our longings are seated here, not in the mind.

The soul’s longings are mentioned several times in the book (*True Gospel Revealed Anew*). The subject is of such importance, it bears reading and re-reading. The following passages come from Vol. 1, p. 130-135 (emphasis by author).

“It must be understood the Divine Love of the Father is an entirely distinct kind of love from the love which the Father bestowed upon man at the time of his creation, and which man has possessed in a more or less condition of purity ever since that time ... This Divine Love was never conferred upon man as a perfect and completed gift, either at the time of his creation ... but *as a gift which is waiting for man’s own efforts and aspirations to obtain, and without which it can never become his, although it is always close to him, waiting to answer his call.*”

This article is a chapter from Tim’s book, [Making it Personal – Your Guide to a More Profound and Rewarding Prayer Life](#).

“KEEPING YOURSELF IN THE LOVE OF GOD” – MANIFESTING LOVE IN OUR LIVES (EVA PECK)

Jude exhorted fellow believers: “Keep yourselves in God’s love.” (v.21). How is love manifested in our lives?

Not long ago, someone mentioned the example of Father Damien. I hadn’t heard of him before, so I looked him up and for those who wish to know more, here is a [Wikipedia link](#). He certainly was one of many inspiring Christian/Catholic missionaries that were true servants of God and those who they served, laying down their lives in the literal sense of the word. Mother Teresa, of course, was another one, and she had many equally dedicated assistants and successors, who still carry on her work under to Order of Missionaries of Charity. Sisters of Mercy is another such group and there are countless others.



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Based on my reading and own experience, people can and do have God’s love in their souls without understanding it or formally praying for it. Their souls may be yearning for it without their conscious awareness. I would venture to say that many if not most of these dedicated servants of God and humanity are on the Divine Love path, which involves being transformed at the heart level by God's Essence. It is the New Heart, New Birth, becoming a new creation/creature which is a necessary process to enter the Celestial Kingdom. The actual transformation is more important than the intellectual understanding thereof, because it is happening at the soul level.

As to the expression/manifestation of love, outwardly there is little or no difference between Divine Love (imparted by the Holy Spirit – Rom. 5:5) and natural love (that we cultivate naturally since birth), and in most instances, we, while on earth, can't distinguish those who are on either path. However, in all cases, love is manifested through care, service, outgoing concern, kindness, helpfulness, compassion, and similar qualities. The specific expression of love flows from people's gifts. Some are called and gifted to be missionaries and serve the sick or underprivileged. Others are gifted in different ways. The book of First Corinthians, Chapter 12:4-11, is instructive in this way, giving some examples of gifts and service:

“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines.”

The purpose of different gifts is to complement and serve each other as the different parts of a body do. The chapter continues (v. 12-20): “The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with [those who are in] Christ. For we were all baptized [immersed] by one Spirit into one body – whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free – and we were all given the one Spirit [the Holy Spirit imparting Divine Love] to drink. Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body.”

So we are all called to express the love in us, whether natural or divine, in serving one another. This service will depend on our gifts which vary from person to person. We should use our own unique gifts to the best of our ability and not compare ourselves unwisely with others and want their gifts to the point of feeling jealous or dissatisfied, as these are not emotions of love. We should however, desire and long for and pray for more and more Divine Love to better express our present gifts and even be given new ones according to God's will.

Paul's conclusion in the famous 13th chapter of 1 Corinthians is beautiful and puts everything in perspective. Starting at the end of Ch. 12, v. 27-31: “Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But eagerly desire the greater gifts. And now I will show you the most excellent way.”

Continuing in chapter 13, verses 1-13: “If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass

away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. ... Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But *the greatest of these is love.*

So service, even self-sacrifice, as well as all-encompassing knowledge and great gifts and talents, amount to little if not accompanied and motivated by love.

PROPHETIC DREAM (CATHERINE KENT)

Recently, I had a dream that felt prophetic. Viewed from a loving, trusting perspective, it bears very good news!

First, I'll relay the dream, then my interpretation...which (keep in mind) will not be as literal as the dream.

The Dream

It was a special day, and large gatherings of people were congregating to celebrate at outdoor festivals. As such, they were somewhat prepared, with clothing meant for the weather conditions, and small parcels of lightweight provisions. There was great excitement in the air, due to the festivities and so many people coming together; and everyone was in a good mood. But there was also a special atmospheric "something" that caused people to be more reflective and pensive than usual. It wasn't fear. It was more like the sense of a deeper meaning that provoked important memories to arise and had souls focusing on what truly matters, rather than surface appearances.

As people mingled, they ran into old acquaintances, and had opportunities to reconnect and to share brief but important messages between them. In my case, I ran into someone with whom I had decades ago shared a treasured friendship, that ended badly. Our chance meeting was an opportunity to heal past hurts. I extended an olive branch of love and enthusiasm to rekindle our friendship but was harshly shut down. She was not prepared to forgive and move forward in a space of love. Her rejection stung. I departed with my shoulders sagged and my head bowed. A few moments later, however, in the sea of moving faces, I spotted a woman whom I had once known; in this case, as far back as elementary school, and not seen since. I was delighted! "Susie!" I called out. She turned at the sound of her name, with her signature sweet smile, but was swept away in the bustle of bodies. I called out, "I love you!" as she disappeared from view, my soul disappointed at our imperfect reconnection, too fleeting, and incomplete. Releasing a sigh, I shrugged my shoulders and hurried to my staked-out spot outside.

Once settled on my blanket on the ground, I felt energized by the crowd. The mood was convivial, and it was natural to join the conversation of a handful of collegiate males on the blanket behind me. One of them was telling his friends about a scientific exploration performed by a professor with whom he was acquainted. It was of a huge conical boring into the earth for information, and it revealed a prophecy: major earthquakes on a grand scale, that would happen all around the globe, and would change everything worldwide, very quickly. "Yes," I concurred. "We have received similar warnings." He looked up at me, from where he lounged casually on his backside, propped up lazily on his elbows, his feet crossed loosely at the ankles. "It's the 16th," he said, staring meaningfully into my eyes, "That's today." I felt the impact of his words.

At that moment, we, along with the crowd, instantly became aware of a sudden and ominous change in the weather. We'd been feeling the electric current of it coming for some time. It had enlivened us and caused our reflective moods, but now



Supplied by Catherine Kent

it had swiftly turned into a very clear and present warning. The sky had grown dark, it loomed above us, the sinister gray of a giant storm. Clouds encircled us in a tight band that meant business. Haunting thunder rumbled in the not-so-distance, and lightning flashed across the heavens. At once, people were up on their feet, collecting belongings and moving to shelter. I did the same. Rapidly scanning my box of stuff, I chose only what I sensed was most important and could be easily carried – an avocado, pear, and water bottle. Then I went inside to meet up with my loved ones, who were in an apartment upstairs. Onsite with me, but as yet unaware ... it was okay. I was there to warn them, and we would be together.

My Dream Interpretation

1. This prophecy is not literal; the date of “the 16th” is likely meaningless. The avocado, pear, and water loosely represent any and all resources. While something like this scenario could happen, so could countless other scenarios that might have a similar outcome. It’s a story with meaning – a parable.
2. It illustrates how easily and naturally God can orchestrate a life-changing event in ways that will maximize the well-being of His beloved children. What do I mean by that?
3. People were gathered – their resources pooled – in a way that prepared them for what was coming, with gladness and happy anticipation, not fear.
4. The coming together facilitated fortuitous connections; opportunities to share and confirm knowledge and information, as well as to make amends.
5. Earthquakes, destined in this dream to cause the bulk of the global shift, cannot be seen approaching without the benefit of seismic equipment. But thunderstorms can! They can take hours to grow, hover, rumble and warn in multiple and precise places simultaneously, large and small. They can even dissipate and move on when their message is no longer needed, without so much as a drop of rain. In this dream, the impending storm acted as a perfect warning. It galvanized the ready masses into appropriate action, before a single raindrop fell. There are laws, and God Himself obeys them...but He retains dominion. Energy is transformable, and God can easily control such things as weather...and even earthquakes...sending His Divine Love to calm or ignite, according to His perfect purpose.

To put all of this colloquially, change is constant. In fact, it might be argued that change is the only constant. And for major shifts, we get warnings and signs. We have opportunity to prepare. In our world today, we can see considerable upheaval in our societies, as people everywhere grapple to address pressing concerns, about which there are myriad and often opposing views. While this is happening, humanity is adjusting. Some are becoming more expansive. Others are becoming more protective. These multitudinous, concurrent shifts are blending together to create something new and fresh.

This is how humanity has always evolved. Over time. In localized spurts. Here’s a pertinent example: approximately 400 years ago, the world began to shift from the feudal-lord societies to that which supported the communal well-being of large groups of people. Cities grew with their supportive structures, and suburbs followed. Our tribes slowly morphed into modern nations, instituting new laws and policies intended to foster the common good.

Astrologists tell us that in 2027, another such shift shall occur, right on schedule. We can already sense it coming. We are breaking away from large governments that have become bloated, outliving their purpose. We are gradually moving toward more sustainable ways of being that will eventually have us living in harmony, not only with one another, but also with our planet. The impending shifts are arising from the creative impulses of individuals, rather than the collective consciousness of tribes. In accordance with God’s Plan, we are casting aside societal (group) strictures, and embracing our unique, authentic, God-given gifts and personalities. Each soul was lovingly designed, created, and imbued with gifts and blessings for the whole. As we learn to align with our true natures – and those who choose, to align with God’s Divine Love – much beauty, grace, and goodness will be born of the new shifts.

The complete version of the article can be read [here](#) or listened to [here](#) and on YouTube. For Catherine’s other outreaches, go to her [link tree](#).

SUNSET (LANI DOMALOY)

Sunset, where everything ends.

Plucked out of my day, almost emotionally exhausted, I followed your lead. On a rock by a cliff, you offered life unfolding. Seagulls misbehaving, paddlers moved in rhythm, a seaplane escaping, the sky remained blue, the clouds float across, you hid behind them, and yet your presence made known, slowly fading, you left an ever-changing canvas of oranges, and golds. You were magnificently majestic!

A productive day behind me, I came out to greet you. I sit still in quiet surrender. Admiring, appreciating, celebrating what you now offer. I tell myself, this is the moment where I

am at the perfect place at the perfect time. Disconnected from everything around me, I feel so connected to you. Like my soul is being sucked into your gift. I watched you by as you drift slowly consumed by the evening sky.

Another day, another chance to say thanks to life...



Supplied by Lani Domaloy

COMMUNITY NEWS

- **Al Fike** has published the third book of a trilogy containing spiritual lessons channeled through him by Jesus. Its title is *Awakening to Soul Consciousness*, and in it Jesus shares his wisdom in the form of inspiring revelations designed to awaken readers' hearts to God's Love. The book is available on Amazon in [paperback](#) and [Kindle](#) versions.
- **Catherine Koch** of Love Is The Answer (LITA) in Uganda has added to their [You-Tube channel](#) a series of short videos, one for each day in December, on the various happenings and experiences at LITA.
- **Eva Peck** updated the *Divine Love Resource Guide* containing several pages of links to Divine Love websites, You-Tube channels, forums, Facebook groups, authors, services, and translations to other languages. It can be accessed from [Eva's website](#) or directly downloaded from [here](#).
- **FCDT** have upgraded their website, which can be accessed [here](#).

POETRY CORNER (HAFIZ – THROUGH JIMBEAU WALSH)

God's Dancer



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*God in His infinite patience awaits your arrival
In His grand ballroom with all its magnificence
And yet you and your partner, dressed to the nines,
Have chosen the Poverty of Spirit at the Paupers' ball.
No, not that poverty where you feed the hungry
With the bread of life
With the wine of Divine Love in The Eternal Dance,
But that impoverished ball of endless distractions
succumbing to all those things
You believed you couldn't do without.
And yet when you arrive at the Creator's dance,
you will wonder and be amazed
And say "why did it take me so long to get here?"
And as you step out on the floor to dance with the Beloved,
You will merge with every dancing planet,
Spinning in joy like the whirling Dervish.
You are God's Dancer.*

PRAYING AND SHARING ACROSS THE MILES

DLSF / FCDT Circles of Light and Other Opportunities for Prayer, Sharing and Learning

See the [DLSF website](#) for general Circles of Light information. If you would like to receive weekly information about new and upcoming programs as well as regular online prayer circles, please [sign up for the weekly calendar](#) which is sent out on Sunday morning via Mailchimp. For any questions, please contact [Jeanne](#).

Information on additional activities, including Divine Love healing or learning, as well as gift or leadership development can be found on the [LightBringers Calendar](#) administered by [Bill Frase](#).

Other Groups and Circles

For information about their respective outreaches, time and Zoom link, contact [Greg Boster](#) (Sunday Awakening the Soul and Healing Body - Mind and Soul); and [Tim Foley](#) (daily at 6 pm Pacific Time offline prayer for Divine Love / silent contemplative prayer). [Artto Aunap](#) is hosting a group in Estonian.

DIVINE LOVE RESOURCES

For details on how to receive a free box of FCDT books for distribution; where to find foreign language translations of the Padgett messages; and a listing and accessing messages of all our contemporary mediums, go to the [FCDT website](#). This website also has a comprehensive Resource Guide of Divine Love websites, forums, you-tube and audio ministries, book authors, Facebook groups, and more. If you would like to request a flash drive of all scanned Padgett messages, please contact [Elizabeth Morana](#).

PADGETT MESSAGE (EXCERPT)

ARDT, Vol. 1, p. 187

How All Mankind Can Become Divine Angels, and How Erroneous Beliefs Prevent This Consummation.

(ANN ROLLINS)

(May 28th, 1916 | Received by James Padgett)

At the coming of Jesus, men again had bestowed upon them this great privilege and a possibility of obtaining the knowledge of the Way in which this privilege could be exercised. This was not declared to all men, for the territory in which Jesus taught and proclaimed this important Truth was very limited. Thus, the great majority of men died without knowing that this Gift had been re-bestowed. But, in His Goodness and Love, God did not restrict the bestowal of this Love to those who might be fortunate enough to learn of It from Jesus and his apostles, but rather sent His Holy Spirit to implant It in the souls of all men who might be in such condition of soul aspiration and longing as to permit this Love to enter their souls.

When spirits became possessed of this knowledge, they commenced the work of trying to influence men in such a way that there arose in them a longing for a closer unity with God and an opening up of the soul perceptions. As a result, many men received this Love in their souls in various parts of the world without knowing that It was this Divine Love, but It was. And when these men entered the spirit world in their spirit forms, they soon found that they were possessed of this Love to some extent. It was not difficult them to listen to the explanations and teachings of those spirits who had received It as to the Truth of Its existence.

Now, all this may not appear to be of much importance to present man, and hardly worth attention, but my great object in writing in this manner is to show that God had no special or peculiar people, and that it was not even necessary that all peoples should learn from Jesus the fact of this Gift. For, in such a case, the great majority of mankind could not possibly have heard of this Love while they were yet mortals. No, this was not a necessity. But the knowledge which came to mortals through Jesus enabled those who possessed and believed it to more rapidly pursue the Way to obtaining this Love.

Many spirits had received the benefit of the re-bestowal of this Love, or rather the privilege of seeking for and obtaining It, before Jesus came to the spirit world. Yet, they understood that the greater extent of the possession of this Love was in Jesus, and no spirit now possesses It to the degree that he does.

But whether the souls of mortals or spirits received the knowledge of this Truth from Jesus or from the workings of the Holy Spirit in Its ministrations, they all know that the seeking for and getting this Divine Love is the only means by which the soul may become an inhabitant of the Celestial Heavens.