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ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT MIDNIGHT / THE WORLD WILL
BECOME SLIGHTLY DERANGED FOR A FEW MINUTES, / AS
A NEW YEAR IDENTIFIED AS 1987 / - DAWNS FOR US. /
IT IS A STRANGE PHENOMENON. / PEOPLE WILL BE SING-
ING AND SHOUTING, / 'MAPPY NEW YEAR!' / THERE IS A
STRONG CONNOTATION OF DEALING WITH THE YEAR AS
AN ENTITY, / AND THE SALUTATION IS SAYING IN EFFECT,
'I HOPE YOU GET LUCKY AND GET A GOOD YEAR.' / AS
IF THERE IS A GIANT LOTTERY / AND WE REACH IN AND
TAKE A YEAR OUT OF A BAG.

WHAT IS A YEAR? WE KNOW ALL ABOUT THE EARTH'S
ROTATION AROUND THE SUN. / YET IN AN AGE OF SPACE
CONSCIOUSNESS, / IT IS NOT TOO MUCH TO IMAGINE /
BEING OUT IN SPACE, / AWAY FROM THE SOLAR SYSTEM, /
WITH NO SUN TO ROTATE AROUND, / NO SUNSET AND NO
SUNRISE. / NOW... WHAT IS A YEAR? / OBVIOUSLY A
YEAR IS MORE PSYCHOLOGICAL THAN ASTRONOMICAL. / IT

IS A CONVENIENT MEANS / OF KEEPING TRACK OF FOOT-
PRINTS IN THE SANDS ^{OF TIME} / - BUT THE WINDS OF CHANGE
SOON BLOW THEM AWAY, / LEAVING ONLY THE ALLNESS OF
ETERNITY.

A YEAR MAY BE AN IMPORTANT SLIDE-RULE FOR
FISCAL ACCOUNTING, / IT MAY ENCOMPASS A SEASON
FOR A SPORTS TEAM, / OR A UNIT OF WORK FOR A
STUDENT. / BUT IT HAS LITTLE RELEVANCE AS A MEA-
SUREMENT OF LIFE. / IT IS LIKE LABELING WAVES
OF THE OCEAN. / .. HERE COMES WAVE NUMBER 65279345
96231. / SILLY, ISN'T IT? / FOR A WAVE IS A WAVE
/ NO MATTER HOW MANY HAVE GONE BEFORE / OR HOW
MANY WILL COME AFTER.

WHEN THE YEAR IS THOUGHT OF AS AN ENTITY, / IT
GIVES RISE TO A CURIOSITY / ABOUT WHAT IS IN STORE.
EXPERTS IN THE FORM OF FORECASTERS, / SEERS, / AND
PROPHETS / SURFACE AT THIS TIME / TO GIVE THEIR USUAL
DRAMATICALLY LURID VIEW OF THE FUTURE. / .. OF

EARTHQUAKES, WARS, ASSASSINATIONS...AND NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LOVE-LIFE OF THE PRINCE OR PRINCESS OF CAMELOT. AS IF THE YEAR IS A FIXED ENTITY/REPLETE WITH ALL THE HAPPENINGS SEEN IN ADVANCE. NO ONE CAN SEE THE YEAR AHEAD. NO MATTER HOW GREAT THE PSYCHIC ABILITY. ALL SUCH GLIMPSES INTO THE FUTURE/ARE REALLY INTERPRETATIONS OF THE PRESENT, TELLING MORE ABOUT THE ATTITUDES OF THE FORECASTER THAN ABOUT THE TIMES FORECASTED.

NOTHING IS EVER PREDESTINED -/THOUGH THERE MAY BE A PREDISPOSITION IN CONSCIOUSNESS. THE PROPHET MAY SENSE TRENDS OF CONSCIOUSNESS, AND THUS PROJECT THEM FORWARD TO MAKE PREDICTIONS. /BUT EVEN IF HIS CALCULATIONS ARE GOOD,/THE EVENTS NEED NOT HAPPEN,/AND WILL NOT,/IF THERE IS A CHANGE IN CONSCIOUSNESS,/THUS ALTERING THE FLOW OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

DON'T BE LURED AWAY/FROM THE CENTER OF YOUR OWN
BEING, /THE CONTROLLING POINT OF YOUR OWN DESTINY/
YOUR FUTURE IS IN YOUR HANDS. / ~~CONSIDER WELL~~
~~PAUL'S WORDS...~~

'DON'T LET THE WORLD AROUND YOU SQUEEZE YOU
INTO ITS OWN MOLD, BUT LET GOD REMOVE YOUR MIND
FROM WITHIN, SO THAT YOU PROVE IN PRACTICE ~~THAT~~
THAT THE PLAN FOR YOU IS GOOD, MEETS ALL HIS
DEMANDS, AND MOVES TOWARD THE GOALS OF MATURITY'

IN OTHER WORDS, /TIME IS NOT A PASSING PHENOMENON/
BUT THE UNFOLDMENT OF AN INFINITE POTENTIAL. / ONE
OF MY FAVORITE LITERARY OBSERVATIONS IS CARLYLE'
CLASSIC COMMENT --

'EVERY DAY THAT IS BORN INTO THE WORLD COMES
LIKE A BURST OF MUSIC, / AND RINGS ITSELF ALL
THE DAY THROUGH, / AND THOU SHALT MAKE OF IT
A DANCE, A DIRGE, OR A LIFE-MARCH, AS THOU
WILT.'

READING THROUGH VARIOUS COMMENTARIES AND EDITO-
RIALS RECENTLY / I BECAME AWARE OF THE EVIDENCE

OF A GREAT YEARNING FOR PEACE / A GROWING CONSENSUS / THAT TERRORISM / AND VIOLENCE / AND WAR / MUST BE BANISHED FROM THE EARTH FOREVER.. / THIS YEARNING IS ACTUALLY WHAT A NEW YEAR IS ABOUT. / WE ARE TOLD THAT 'HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL IN THE HUMAN BREAST.' / THE DESIRE FOR BETTER TÖMES, / THE LONGING FOR NEW ACHIEVEMENTS, / YES THE VERY HUNGER AND THIRST FOR PERSONAL UNFOLDMENTS, / AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE THEM, / THIS IS WHAT 1987 IS ABOUT. / FOR THIS REASON, / AN EXCELLENT SALUTATION FOR NEW YEAR'S EVEN~~ING~~ IS 'HAPPY NEW YEARNING' /- THE AWAKENING WITH^W YOU OF NEW GOALS / AND THE PERSISTENT DESIRE TO REACH THEM. /

▶ I LOVE WILLIAM HERBERT CARRUTH'S POEM, 'EACH IN HIS OWN TONGUE' --

'LIKE TIDES ON A CRESCENT SEA-BEACH
WHEN ~~THE~~ MOON IS NEW AND THIN,
INTO OUR HEARTS HIGH YEARNINGS
COME WELLING AND SURGING IN, -
COME FROM THE MYSTIC OCEAN,
WHOSE RIM NO FOOT HAS TROD, -

//SOME OF US CALL IT LONGING,
//AND OTHERS CALL IT GOD.'

THIS IS A FANTASTIC CONCEPT/-- THAT THESE
DESIRES OF THE HEART/WHICH HE CALLS 'HIGH YEARN-
INGS'/COME FROM GOD. /THIS IS A REVELATION...
ESPECIALLY TO/THOSE/WHO HAVE BEEN CONDITIONED TO
BELIEVE/THAT THEY ARE THE WORK OF THE DEVIL.

▶HAVEN'T YOU EVER WONDERED WHY YOU THINK THE
THINGS YOU DO?/WHY YOU HAVE THE DESIRES THAT
CONSTANTLY RUN THROUGH YOUR MIND? / PERHAPS THE
DESIRE FOR A BETTER JOB,/ FOR MORE CONFIDENCE,/
FOR MORE MONEY,/FOR HEALTH.

// WHEN YOU SAY, 'I JUST HAD AN IDEA?'/ WHAT DO
YOU MEAN? / WHERE DID THE IDEA COME FROM? / DID
YOUR MIND CREATE/IT OUT OF NOTHING? EX NIHILO

UP UNTIL ABOUT 50 YEARS AGO/IT WAS GENERALLY BE-
LIEVED IN SCIENCE THAT THE MIND,/AND CONSCIOUS-
NESS ITSELF,/WERE THE RESULT OF ELECTRIC PROCESS-
ES

IN THE BRAIN. / NOW WE KNOW THAT THE ELECTRICAL
ACTIVITIES IN THE BRAIN / ARE THE RESULT / AND NOT
THE CAUSE / OF OUR MENTAL ACTIVITIES. /.. WHICH DO
NOT BELONG TO THE WORLD OF PHYSICS, / BUT TO THE
REALM OF MIND AND SPIRIT.

SOME SCIENTISTS NOW BELIEVE / THAT ONE OF THE
FUNCTIONS OF THE BRAIN / IS TO ACT AS A RECEIVING
SET / FOR IDEAS EMANATING FROM THE COSMIC MIND,
WHICH IS THE MIND OF THE INFINITE. / THIS MAY
BE WHERE SCIENCE AND RELIGION MEET.

▶ 'CAN'T YOU EVER BE SATISFIED?' / WHAT PARENT HAS
NOT ASKED THIS OF HIS DEMANDING CHILD? / WHAT
STUDENT OF TRUTH HAS NOT ASKED IT OF HIMSELF / IN
QUESTIONING HIS CEASELESS APPETITE FOR THINGS,
PLEASURES, AND FOR GROWTH AND PROGRESS. *'CAN'T YOU
EVER...'*

AND THE ANSWER IS 'NO!' / IN THE CONTEXT OF HIS
WHOLE BEING, / IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR MAN TO BE
SATISFIED, SIMPLY BECAUSE / 'IT IS NOT YET

MANIFEST WHAT MAN SHALL BE."/ EVERYONE HAS A
RELENTLESS INNER URGE TO BE MORE,/ TO DO MORE,/ TO
HAVE MORE.

NOW, AS WE SAID,/ THE 'OLD TIME RELIGION'/ IN-
SISTED THAT THIS RESTLESS HUNGER TO PROGRESS/
WAS THE 'WORK OF THE DEVIL',/ LEADING YOU TO
HELL BY WAY OF SENSUALITY AND MATERIALITY./
SO THE IDEA WAS TO KILL OUT ALL DESIRE./ SOME
OF THE STOICS OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY WOULD
TORTURE THEIR BODIES/ AND SUFFER UNBELIEVABLE
PERSONALLY-INFLICTED INDIGNITIES,/ CRYING OUT,
"OH, TO BE NOTHING, NOTHING!!"

OF COURSE,/ WITH THE NORMAL PERSON,/ THIS LED TO
GREAT INNER CONFLICTS./ AND AN OVERWHELMING
SENSE OF GUILT /-- BECAUSE MAN IS SO CONSTRUCTED
THAT HE SIMPLY CANNOT KILL OUT ALL DESIRE./ HE
MAY INHIBIT IT,/ BUT IT ^{IS} THERE/ AND, KNOWING IT
WAS THERE/ LEFT HIM ~~WITH~~ ^{WITH} A DEEP FEELING OF SIN./

THERE ARE SCHOOLS OF ORIENTAL THOUGHT/THAT ARE ENTIRELY BASED ON THIS PRINCIPLE OF ANNIHILATING ALL DESIRE./ THEY SAY, 'REACH THE POINT WHERE YOU HAVE NO DESIRES FOR ANYTHING/AND YOU ARE FREE' BUT IT IS A DANGEROUS TRAP...FOR IF YOU KILL OUT ALL DESIRE/THERE IS NOTHING LEFT BUT THE WITHERED HUSK/OF WHAT WAS ONCE A LIVING PERSON./ DESIRE IS THE ROOT OF LIFE./.WITHOUT THIS HUNGER FOR GROWTH,/LIFE CAN NOT BE.'

CERTAINLY THE YEARNING MAY BE XXXX MISUNDERSTOOD, BUT THE FAULT IS NOT IN THE SENSE OF CRAVING,/ BUT X IN OUR MISTAKEN NOTION OF WHAT IT IS THAT IS NEEDED FOR SATISFACTION.

AS THE POET SAYS, 'INTO OUR XXXXX HEARTS HIGH YEARNINGS COME WELLING AND SURGING IN..'

ESSENTIALLY IT IS THE MIND/SEEKING TO MANIFEST ITSELF/IN SOME FORM THAT EXISTS AS YET ONLY IN THOUGHT./ X IT IS THE PRINCIPLE OF CREATION

...WHETHER THE THING CREATED/BE A WORLD OR A
WOODEN SPOON./..BOTH HAVE THEIR ORIGIN IN THE
YEARNING/TO BRING SOMETHING INTO EXISTENCE THAT
DOES NOT YET EX\$ST.

▶ EACH OF US IS ENDUED WITH A SON-OF-GOD POTENTIAL/ THAT IS EVER-SEEKING FOR EXPRESSION./ AND OUR
DESIRE FOR HELP AND HEALING/IS AN INTUITIVE
PERCEPTION OF ~~THE~~ COSMIC TRUTH/THAT WE ARE BET-
TER THAN WE THINK./ ACTUALLY OUR/DESIRES ARE
RELATED TO THE WHOLE OF ~~US~~. /OUR DESIRE FOR
HEALING INDICATES /THAT WE ARE ALREADY WHOLE IN
SPIRIT../.AND WHEN WE LONG FOR SUCCESS,/ ~~THE~~
SUCCESS POTENTIAL IS/ ALREADY/PRESSING ITSELF
OUT INTO VISIBILITY THROUGH US.

ACTUALLY, IN A COLLECTIVE SENSE,/ IT IS THE EVER-
BURNING FLAME OF DESIRE/THAT HAS CHARTED HUMAN
PROGRESS ACROSS THE FIELD OF TIME./ IT IS DESIRE
THAT HAS GIVEN THE RACE OF MAN ITS UNLIMITED

POSSIBILITIES./IT WAS THIS URGE THAT LIFTED THE
RACE/FROM THE MIRE OF DARKNESS./ THE SPARK OF
DESIRE FOR SOMETHING BETTER/BURNED IN THE SOUL
OF PRIMITIVE MAN -/AND IT BURNS IN THE SOUL OF
MAN TODAY/PRIMITIVE MAN FASHIONED CRUDE BOATS
TO CROSS OCEANS,/RECENTLY SOME COURAGEOUS PILOTS
/FLEW AN AIRCRAFT 26,000 MILES AROUND THE WORLD/
WITHOUT REFUELING./..BOTH BY MEANS OF THE HIGH
YEARNINGS /THAT CAME WELLING AND SURGING IN./
SPACE RESEARCH HAS PROVEN THAT THERE WILL ALWAYS
BE HIGHER MOUNTAINS TO CLIMB./..AND THE BURNING
ITCH TO CLIMB THEM.

CHARLES FILLMORE WRITES... 'MAN HAS NEVER HAD A
DESIRE/THAT COULD NOT SOMEWHERE IN THE PROVI-
DENCE OF GOD/BE FULFILLED./ IF THIS WERE NOT
TRUE, THE UNIVERSE WOULD BE WEAK AT ITS MOST
VITAL POINT./ DESIRE/IS THE ^{OUTWARD} ~~OUTWARD~~ IMPULSE OF THE
EVER-EVOLVING SOUL./ IT BUILDS FROM WITHIN-

OUTWARD /AND CARRIES ITS FULFILLMENT WITH IT /AS
A NECESSARY COROLLARY.'

GOETHE -- 'OUR DESIRES ARE THE PRESENTIMENTS
OF OUR INNER ABILITIES, /AND THE FORERUNNERS
OF OUR ULTIMATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS.'

▶ YOU ARE A SPIRITUAL BEING. /..NOT JUST THE CREATION
OF GOD, /BUT THE SELF-LINGNESS OF GOD. / THERE
IS A CONTINUITY OF GOD'S CREATIVITY /WITHIN YOU, /
AND YOU ARE FOREVER BEING GUIDED AND URGED /TOWARD
EXPERIENCES AND UNFOLDMENTS /BY WHICH THE DIVINE
PLAN FOR YOU MAY BE FULFILLED.

▶ THE HIGH YEARNINGS OF YOUR HEART /ARE ACTUALLY
THE WORKING OF GOD'S WILL IN YOU. / YOU MAY HAVE
HAD A LIMITED CONCEPT OF GOD'S WILL. / YOU MAY
HAVE FEARED IT. /..AND RESISTED IT. /YOU MAY HAVE
THOUGHT OF IT AS A WILL /COMPLETELY SEPARATE
FROM YOUR OWN. /BUT GOD'S WILL AND YOUR WILL /IN
THE HIGHEST SENSE /ARE ONE AND ~~THE~~^{THE} SAME THING.

KAHLIL GIBRAN SUGGEST THIS IN HIS CLASSIC WORK
'THE PROPHET.'

'O GOD, / WHO ART OUR WINGED SELF, / IT IS THY
WILL IN US THAT WILLETH. / IT IS THY DESIRE
IN US THAT DESIRETH. / IT IS THY URGE IN US
THAT WOULD TURN OUR NIGHTS WHICH ARE THINE,
INTO DAYS WHICH ARE THINE ALSO. / WE CANNOT
ASK THEE FOR AUGHT, / FOR THOU KNOWEST OUR
NEEDS BEFORE THEY ARE BORN IN US; THOU ART
OUR NEED; AND IN GIVING US MORE OF THYSELF
THOU BIVEST US ALL.'

INTO YOUR HEART COME HIGH YEARNINGS, / YOUR DESIRE
FOR BETTERMENT, / YOUR LONGING FOR SUCCESS, / YOUR
URGE FOR NEW CREATIVE IDEAS, / ~~THEY~~ THEY COME FROM THE
'MYSTIC OCEAN'. / ...SOME CALL IT LONGING, / OTHERS
CALL IT GOD. / ~~THEY~~ THEY ARE GOD IN YOU SEEKING TO
BETTER FULFIL HIMSELF THROUGH YOU / AND TO
PERFECT HIMSELF IN YOU AND AS YOU.

'BEFORE THEY CALL I WILL ANSWER.' ~~BEFORE~~ THE HIGH
YEARNINGS YOU FEEL / ARE GOD'S ANSWER EVEN BEFORE
WE HAVE FORMULATED ~~THEM~~ THEM / INTO A ~~PRAYER~~ PRAYER OR WORKING
PLAN. / ~~IT IS A KIND OF PRECOGNITION OR AN~~

~~PLAN~~ IT IS A KIND OF PRECOGNITION OF AN
INNER READINESS.

NOW OBVIOUSLY THERE ARE MANY YEARNINGS AND
DESIRES IN HUMAN CONSCIOUSNESS/ THAT ARE NOT
DIVINE IN EXPRESSION/-- BUT THEY ARE ALL DIVINE
IN ORIGIN./ IT IS SIMPLY THAT WE DO NOT ALWAYS
GET A CLEAR CONCEPTION OF ~~THE~~ TRUE DESIRE/ - WE
MISINTERPRET IT/ AND PERVERT ITS PURPOSE./ ~~XXXX~~

SO WE TRY TO SATISFY THE YEARNING FOR SPIRITUAL
GROWTH,/ THE HUNGER/ AND/ THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS/
BY EATING OR DRINKING/ OR BY THE ACCUMULATION
OF MATERIAL POSSESSIONS.

BUT THE TRUE DESIRE IS FOR MORE OF GOD./ THAT
DOES NOT SUGGEST MORE PIETY,/ BUT A GREATER AWARE-
NESS OF OUR WHOLENESS IN INFINITE MIND./

YOU MAY RECALL THE STORY/ OF JESUS' ENCOUNTER
WITH THE WOMAN AT THE WELL./ HE ASKED HER FOR A

DRINK./ HE THEN SAID, / 'EVERYONE WHO DRINKS THIS
WATER / SHALL THIRST AGAIN, / BUT WHO SHALL DRINK OF
THE WATER I SHALL GIVE HIM / SHALL NEVER THIRST
AGAIN, / FOR IT SHALL BECOME IN HIM A WELL OF
WATER / SPRINGING UP UNTO ETERNAL LIFE.'

WE MISINTERPRET THE INNER URGE / AND THUS WE SEEK
SATISFACTION / IN FOOD AND DRINK AND THINGS. / ..AND
WE FIND ONLY / SURFEIT AND DISSATISFACTION. / IT IS
CLASSICALLY SYMBOLIZED BY THE ALCOHOLIC / WHO
REACHES THE POINT WHERE / HE IS CERTAIN HE WILL DIE
IF HE HAS ANOTHER DRINK. / ..AND ALSO IF HE DOESN'T.

THERE IS A GREAT NEED TO UNDERSTAND OUR TRUE
DESIRES, / AND FIND THE DISCIPLINE TO GUIDE THEM
TO THEIR TRUE OBJECTS OF SATISFACTION. / FOR IN
EVERY CASE. / ..IN BACK OF THE SENSUAL OR MATERIAL-
ISTIC INTERPRETATION / THERE IS A SPIRITUAL PRO-
CESS SEEKING TO UNFOLD. / AND WHEN IT IS RIGHTLY
DIRECTED IT LEADS TO GREATER FULFILLMENT ^{HAD SENSE} THAN WE

/THE TRUE DESIRES WE FEEL, /THE 'HIGH YEARNINGS'
THAT COME WELLING AND SURGING IN, /..CAN NEVER BE
FOR STIMULANTS, /NOR FOR THE SENSUAL THRILLS OF
INGESTING SOMETHING BY THE MOUTH. / IT IS PROBABLY
TRUE THAT THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF WEIGHT PROB-
LEMS /OR COMPULSIVE USE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, / IS
A 'SOUL THIRST' NOT RIGHTLY UNDERSTOOD. / AND...
IT IS ~~TH~~ROUGH A MISUNDERSTANDING OF THEIR DEEP
LONGINGS /THAT PEOPLE /ROB, /CHEAT, /AND DESTROY ONE
ANOTHER. / THE QUESTION IS.. /..HOW CAN WE DISCERN
// WHICH ARE DIVINE URGES AND WHICH ARE HUMAN
CRAVINGS?

// IT IS NOT A MATTER OF SEPARATING THE SHEEP
FROM ~~THE~~ GOATS, / ~~THE~~ GOOD FROM THE BAD, /FOR
THIS LEADS TO A DUALISM. /..GOD AND ~~THE~~ DEVIL.
THE IMPORTANT THING IS TO 'NAME IT GOOD', / NO
MATTER WHAT THE DESIRE OR URGE. / BUT THEN PAUSE
AND SAY, / 'THIS YEARNING IS THE SPIRIT WITHIN ME /
OR THE WHOLENESS OF ME / TRYING TO COMMUNICATE TO

ME INFORMATION/ABOUT A BASIC NEED IN MY LIFE/...
AND OF ITS CORRESPONDING SUPPLY ~~TH~~AT IS READY TO
FLOW FORTH!

ON OUR PART THE NEED IS TO LISTEN./ BEFORE WE
PUSH FORWARD IMPETUOUSLY IN OUR QUEST TO
SATISFY THE CRAVING./ 'WAIT, I SAY ON THE LORI

THIS WORD 'WA~~IT~~' IS FROM THE HEBREW QAVAH,
WHICH MEANS 'BIND TOGETHER' - IN OTHER WORDS

TAKE TIME TO GET PLUGGED IN./ IN A QUIET
MOMENT OF LISTENING TO GET OURSELVES ON
A HIGHER LEVEL OF CONSCIOUSNESSE./ WE WILL
EXPERIENCE THE MENTAL PERCEPTION TO TRANS-
LATE THE DESIRES/INTO MORE ETERNAL VALUES.

▶ A SIMPLE ILLUSTRATION OF/THIS...IN HUMAN CONSCIOUS-
NESS/WE MAY FEEL A DESPERATE NEED TO HURRY,
WHICH LEADS TO MISTAKES AND ACCIDENTS/AND THE
WORST POSSIBLE PERFORMANCE./...LEADING TO MORE
DESPERATION AND MORE RUSHING.

BUT IF WE WOULD GET STILL AND GET IN TUNE,
WE WOULD FEEL ~~THE~~ LEADING TO 'LETGO'/AND LET

THE CREATIVE PROCESS WORK./ SUDDENLY THERE IS NO TENSION,/ A FEELING OF TIMELESSNESS,/ AND THE NEEDED WORK IS ACCOMPLISHED 'IN NO TIME AT ALL.'

IN HUMAN CONSCIOUSNESS WE BECOME TOO INVOLVED IN TRYING TO SPECIFY THE OUTWORKING OF THE ETERNAL FLOW/ IN TERMS OF 'THIS JOB' /OR 'THAT CAR' /OR 'THAT RELATIONSHIP.' / AND WE MAY BE BACK IN THE TENSION OF WORLDLINESS.

WE NEEDED TO BEGIN/ WITH THE QUIET REMEMBRANCE/ THAT WHAT WE WANT TO BE WE ALREADY ARE, AND WHAT WE WANT TO DO AND HAVE / ARE ALREADY DONE WITHIN AS GOD-POSSIBILITIES. SO THEN WE CAN GET OUR HUMAN THOUGHTS OUT OF THE WAY/ AND GIVE WAY TO THE HIGH YEARNING./ NOW WE CAN 'CLAIM OUR INHERITANCE' / BUT WITH THE FREEDOM TO LET IT UNFOLD IN THE WAY THAT IS RIGHT AND GOOD FOR US.

IT IS PROBABLY TRUE THAT FEW PERSONS REALLY KNOW
WHAT THEY WANT,/. WHICH IS ^{SOMETIMES} WHY WE DO NOT FIND
ANSWERS TO OUR PRAYERS./ FOR OFTEN OUR DESIRES,
THOUGH ORIGINATING IN THE 'HIGH YEARNINGS' FOR
GROWTH,/TAKE EXPRESSION IN EXTREMELY TEMPORARY
GOALS.

IN OTHER WORDS./..WHEN WE FEEL A SENSE OF
LIMITATION WE WANT IT REMOVED./..TO WHAT
PURPOSE WE DO NOT ALWAYS STOP TO THINK./ IF
YOU ARE IN DARKNESS YOU WANT LIGHT,/ IF YOU ARE
IN PRISON YOU WANT TO GET OUT,/ IF YOU ARE BED-
RIDDEN YOU WANT TO GET UP,/ IF YOU ARE DELAYED
IN YOUR CAR YOU WANT TO GET AHEAD OF THE
TRAFFIC./ BUT WHAT YOU WILL DO WITH THE LIGHT,
THE FREEDOM,/THE HEALTH,/THE TIME SAVED,/ ~~HE~~ YOU
DOES NOT USUALLY KNOW OR EVEN PREVIOUSLY INQUIRE
ABOUT.

OFTEN A YOUNG PERSON STARTING OUT IN HIS WORK--
LIFE/HAS THE YEARNING TO 'GET AHEAD'/- BUT...GET
AHEAD OF WHAT?/ HE WANTS TO BE SOMEONE,/ BUT UN
IN WHAT FIELD./OR DOING WHAT GOOD SERVICE?

THERE IS MUCH THAT IS MISLEADING/IN THE ~~XXXXX~~
TEACHING OF METAPHYSICS/ON THE SUBJECT OF DEMON-
STRATING ~~OR~~ PROSPERITY./ IN A MATERIALISTIC AGE/
WE ARE BOMBARDED BY MEDIA INFLUENCES/THAT INCITE
OUR ACQUISITIVE INSTINCTS/AND WHET OUR COVETOUS
URGES. ^{IN TRUTH}/WE MAY BE DIRECTED TO PRAY AND TREAT
FOR CADILLACS/AND BANK ACCOUNTS/AND FUR COATS/
AND CRUISES./ THE TRUTH TEACHER MIGHT EVEN USE
PHRASES SUCH AS/ "MONEY LOVES ME" AND "GOD WANTS
ME TO DRIVE CADILLACS". BUT...GOD KNOWS NOTHING
OF MONEY/OR CARS/OR FURS/OR VACATION TRIPS, GOD
IS SUBSTANCE/WHICH CAN FLOW FORTH ACCORDING TO
YOUR DIRECTION,/ AND IN KEEPING WITH YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS
//~~AND~~ YOU MAY PRODE YOURSELF IN YOUR REPEATED
DEMONSTRATIONS/^{Per}~~AND~~ CURIOUSLY YOU ARE NEVER ABLE
TO FIND INNER FULFILLMENT.

JESUS SAID, 'SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD./..AND
THESE THINGS SHALL ~~B~~^E ADDED UNTO YOU.'/ SEEK
FIRST TO KNOW/WHAT GOD IS SEEKING TO UNFOLD IN

YOU, / TO GET YOURSELF IN TUNE WITH YOUR OWN DIVINE
FLOW. / THE THINGS WILL COME TOO, / PERHAPS BETTER
THAN ANY OTHER WAY, BUT OUT OF ~~THE~~ FREE FLOW OF
AFFLUENCE, / NOT OUT OF PRESSURES AND INDEBTEDNES
/ AND THE DISSIPATION OF SUBSTANCE.

TAKE AN INVENTORY OF YOUR DESIRES. / INCLUDE THEM
ALL, / NO MATTER HOW SELFISH OR MATERIALISTIC THEY
MAY SEEM. / SOME OF THEM YOU WILL SCRATCH OUT FOR
OBVIOUS REASONS / WHEN YOU SEE THEM ON PAPER. / FOR
YOU WILL REMEMBER / THAT THE NEED IS NOT JUST TO
'GET THERE', / BUT TO EARN THE RIGHT TO BE THERE,
NOT JUST TO HAVE THE THING / BUT TO DEVELOP THE
CONSCIOUSNESS / OUT OF WHICH THE THINGS / COME FORTH
EASILY AND WITHOUT PRESSURE.

BUT WITH THE REMAINING⁴ ITEMS... ONE BY ONE REDUCE
THEM TO THE ABSOLUTE ROOTS.

FOR INSTANCE... YOU MAY YEARN FOR A BETTER PAYING
JOB. / BUT THE BASIC DESIRE IS FOR SECURITY, / AN
OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE CREATIVITY. / 'IT IS THE
FATHER'S GOOD PLEASURE TO GIVE IT TO YOU.' / SO.

YOU ~~XSM~~ CAN PUT IT INTO AN AFFIRMATIVE REALIZATION... 'I AM SECURE... I AM IN ~~THE~~ THE FLOW OF CREATIVITY AND SERVICE.'

OR YOU MAY DESIRE THE COMPANIONSHIP OF A PARTICULAR PERSON. / GOD'S DESIRE FOR YOU IS FOR LOVE AND FULFILLMENT. / SO, WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO THE PERSON, / AFFIRM, 'I AM IN THE FLOW OF FULFILLING LOVE. / I DRAW TO ME THE RELATIONSHIPS IN WHICH I CAN GIVE AND RECEIVE LOVE. / AND I HAVE FAITH IN THE DIVINE PLAN / IN WHICH MY PERFECT COMPANIONSHIP COMES FORTH IN ~~MY~~ MY LIFE.'

REMEMBER THE POET SAYS, / 'INTO YOUR HEART HIGH YEARNINGS / COME WELLING AND SURGING IN. / NOT SENSUAL DESIRES / OR COVETOUS URGES. / WHEN YOU ~~DEAL~~ DEAL WITH LIFE ON THE LEVEL OF THE TRANSCENDENCE OF YOU, / THERE WILL BE A PROGRESSIVE EXPANSION OF CONSCIOUSNESS, / WHICH WILL LEAD EASILY AND EFFORTLESSLY / TO THE MANIFESTATION OF YOUR GOOD. / BUT

IT WILL COME OUT OF THE EXPANSE OF YOUR NATURE,
NOT AT ITS EXPENSE.

TODAY WE ARE GOING TO PUT INTO YOUR HAND/ 'A
COVENANT OF HIGH YEARNING FOR TE NEW YEAR 1987%.
I AM GOING TO READ IT FOR YOU RIGHT NOW/...SO
THAT WE CAN CREATE THE COSMIC ENVIRONMENT IN
WHICH YOU WILL START THE PROCESS IN YOUR LIFE/.

JUST GET VERY STILL AND IDENTIFY WITH THESE
WORDS AS COMING FROM YOU./..AS I READ THEM. *1st person*

Substitute your name

AND NOW...REALIZING THAT ^{THESE} ~~YOUR~~ HIGH YEARNINGS
THAT COME WELLING AND SURGING IN...SOME CALL THEM
LONGING, ~~OTHERS~~ CALL THEM GOD. AND IN THIS
CONSCIOUSNESS...HAPPY NEW YEARNINGS...