

# GOOD AND EVIL

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THE TOTALITY OF GOD  
AND THE IZUNOME CROSS

Unlocking the Secret to the Riddle of the Ages

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*Author's Note: As a way of introducing my work, I've prepared a series of stand-alone articles spanning the gamut of topics explored within it, from Religion to Science. In general, these excerpts contain a single section of my book, either an essay from the *SCORE* or a portion of the main text. However, recurring themes often appeared, for which a single excerpt out of context would lack the depth required to explore it. And one topic in particular, more philosophically speculative than most, seemed particularly suited to having its appearances compiled – my thoughts on Good and Evil. Due to their textual disconnection and reformatting for this article, rather than place their corresponding page numbers in the header as usual, the pages where they can be found are noted after each excerpt. Pages for this article have been numbered in the footer. Also, all original footnotes have been retained, since my thoughts on the subject are often expanded therein. Finally, the above copyright date is for all excerpts but the last, which appeared in the Fourth Digital Edition, © 2005.*

As you know, I chose not to focus on the *Symbolic Attributes* of the *Physical Model* before because of their behaviorally limitational range of values. However, that doesn't mean they are any less important or less accountable for what has occurred or ever will occur within the Universe. In fact, it is they that are responsible for the great paradoxes some dualities embody, and which often befuddle us – such as how the Unity of God can encompass both Good and Evil, or how He could wish for our Joy but allow Sorrow. (77) As we learned from our previous discussion of tolerance, both are necessary. Just like Yang and Yin, you can't have one without the other.

However, what you can affect is how their range of values manifests in the physical world: i.e., how much Good vs. how much Evil. Societies create laws to try to prevent the committing of examples of extreme negative behavior. Unfortunately, though, laws designed to protect the innocent often better serve to protect the guilty. To minimize the possibility of convicting an innocent man, laws are constructed in a way that can allow for even a double-murderer to go free. Moreover, the bureaucracy of the politics that laws create and necessitate, can often hinder the advancement of what's normally considered morally righteous while adhering to the letter of what's legally correct, often hurting the very victims the laws are intended to protect.

Positive vs. Negative *Paradoxes* are the result of the Universe's physical nature. Its spiritual nature, reflected in the *Spiritual Model*, accounts for the *Spiritual vs. Physical Congruencies* in the Universe, where the two planes are merely associated energies without behavioral limitation. (In the *Physical Model*, those dualities in which both terms *are* limitational likewise maintain a balance of associated energies.) Some *Spiritual Model* congruencies can also apply to the *Physical Model*, as we will see. But when they do, they take on a different relationship based on a new meaning, where one now has a positive, or *good* value judgment attached to it, and the other has a negative, or *bad* connotation. (78) Therein occur the paradoxes.

This understanding is crucial if we are to use the information herein provided to create a better world. As the **Tree of Life** shows, the realization of choice doesn't enter into the equation until the Procreation of the Physical Realm. In the Spiritual Realm, no physical choice exists, only its possibility. Everything – Chaos as well as Order – is according to God's Plan or the natural laws of the Universe, depending on your view of the Truth. In other words, due to our connection to the Universe's spiritual nature, things happen that we have no control over, good or bad. But how we see them is a choice we have control of – and that can only occur in the physical world where all life acts through a series of choices and results. It is here where Man

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77 *(There is one Physical Model paradox concerning God that I find particularly fascinating: that of the root duality of Infinite and Finite. In general, those of us who believe in a personal God acknowledge His infinite, boundless, timeless nature; and yet, rarely do we realize that when we pray to Him, the very act of doing so implies we are assigning Him a finite, temporal nature. In other words we assume that in the specific place and time in which we pray, God is able to hear us – and respond. What is most remarkable is that in all of this somehow He does – and to millions of places all at the same time – bridging the gap not just between Spiritual and Physical, but their co-related Infinite and Finite as well!)*

78 *(Infinite and Finite from the previous footnote is an excellent example. In the Spiritual Model, they're referring to conditions that define being either Spiritual or Physical, as well as the process of Specialization from Energy to Matter; in the Physical Model, the negative connotation of the latter being a limitation can be a consideration.)*

achieves an awareness level capable of making a choice between a pair of positive and negative options.

Unless we do something for our reasons, actions lack conviction. Choices only have Power when we *own* them. Thus, choice is about personal freedom; and the freedom to act according to the previously quoted Thelemic Law is what truly separates the Master from the Slave. All human, non-random acts are free since they are acts of choice, including slavery – over which some would choose death. (We'll disregard the animal kingdom at large, since there is a different evolutionary stage of Will involved.) Even what one might consider deterministic action (beyond someone's apparent control) is still a matter of choice, because whenever we do something, even totally by instinct, the choice not to do it always exists. We may not realize it, but through the *Principle of Simultaneous Cause and Effect*, the very moment we react from instinct to a Sensation, the act of Perception begins. And we can observe what we're doing, decide if it is spiritually or physically driven, producing a positive or negative result, and adjust our next choice accordingly. Remember: as with Yang and Yin, inside every Yes there is always a little No. Only a Slave has to do something, or suffer the consequences. We may still have to experience the negative results of a particular choice, but at least we can claim those results as our own, as well as whatever benefit we may gain from the lessons they provide.

The hope for Humanity in the 21<sup>st</sup> century is to raise its collective awareness (which would actually reflect a more highly attuned state of consciousness) to the point where negative options are gradually eliminated. This would not be due to the use of legal restrictions, which may possibly deter but certainly not eliminate negative acts, but because as we become more spiritually evolved individuals, we simply no longer choose the extreme negative options. While these extreme negatives aren't being eliminated *in Potentiality* (which could never happen), they no longer achieve such a high level of *Actuality*. Thus, over time, the mean value between the positive and negative extremes slowly moves in the direction of Good, and away from Evil. Soon, laws are no longer needed because people just naturally choose the choice with the highest spiritual vibration, since that's the one that will produce the greatest happiness in their lives.

To accomplish this, we're talking about global change – a change in society on a planetary scale. But for this to happen, how many people who through their deeds have chosen Light over Darkness will it take? When you apply the *Hundred Monkey Theory* to the billions within the Race of Homo Sapiens covering this planet, does that mean 3 billion? 500 million? 200 million? How fortunate we'd be if it were less! Still, the magic number needed diminishes by ONE every time another person makes the choice to lead a God-directed life. Right now, before the *Hundred Monkey Theory* kicks in, it can only be done one person at a time, which means we better get going. Let's start with the life we've each been given responsibility for, and then reach out a hand to our Brother or Sister who is struggling to do the same.

As noted before, one of the most difficult skills to master in life is balancing the exercise of your own Will with its rightful exercise by others. At a meeting of a group of spiritually minded friends, the intelligence of dolphins was discussed. It was suggested that dolphins actually allow themselves to be caught so that they might be closer to us. It made me realize that such behavior would symbolically reflect the human condition. In a sense, we all allow ourselves to become captured in order to be closer to someone else. Even in the healthiest of relationships, we give up a little bit of ourselves for the necessary balancing of Wills such a relationship would require.

We can understand this better if we examine the East in Figure 2. Will is its *Spiritual Guide*, and Compassion, its *Spiritual Virtue*. Compassion allows you to empathize with another person's suffering. However, Compassion comes into conflict with the exercise of Free Will. After all, how do we remain compassionate to another's needs without relinquishing our own? The key is in realizing that willful submission does not automatically imply limitation. In fact, it can be an act of empowerment.

While the process of Choice actually occurs in the Mind, it is the Soul's Will that provides the Mind with its Options. Thus the Soul and Mind are intrinsically connected at the Spiritual level, as their assignment to the two Spiritual Paths would imply. Therefore, Choice can't be fittingly discussed without considering the Will's role in it. Once again, if we examine Figure 2 with the Wisdom that God can provide, we'll understand the Positive and Negative energetic implications of learning the proper exercise of Will. Criticism is *expressing* your Will to someone else's *Detriment*. Generosity is *suppressing* your Will for the *Betterment* of another. Therefore, the exercise of Will at another's expense actually weakens the Power of Will, while its suppression strengthens it.

Most of us are familiar with the adage: if you love someone, let them go. But, letting go of someone as an act of Love isn't just about physical separation. It's more about letting go of your need to feel in charge of deciding how things in that other person's life should transpire, physically and spiritually. When you release yourself from the need to be judgmental, then, "wills" no longer collide. They merely compassionately adjust and coexist.

In the balancing attributes for the *Physical Model*, you see the power of choice evident everywhere. Think of its relationship to Happiness vs. Sadness, for instance. Early in this book, I implied that either of those conditions is a choice, a statement you may have cared to challenge at the time. But, let's see how that works out.

First of all, starting with the fundamental understanding that God reflects the Spiritual in the Universe and Man reflects the Physical, since Man is also a combination of Spiritual and Physical, then God and Man are co-creators in human existence. Plus, when you realize that each problem we face in life has a Spiritual and Physical aspect, the dual role of God and Man in Creation becomes even clearer. Quadratically speaking, God will take care of the Spiritual-Spiritual part for us, but He holds us responsible for fulfilling the Physical-Physical end of the bargain.

What are the repercussions of this co-created responsibility, i.e., what can we learn from it? If, at least for a moment, you can adhere to a Western theological viewpoint and see God as always faithful, always loving, always good, always holding up His end of the bargain, *then whatever goes right or wrong in our lives is our doing*. After all, in the equation between God and Man, *if God is always Fixed, then it is we who are keepers of the Variable. That's the power of choice*. Moreover, if you view God's participation (or non-participation) in our lives as a *supernal* consequence of **Karma**, or an *existential* effect of **Causality**, the conclusion is the same. *At the end of the day, the ultimate responsibility for one's life rests only with the person living it – according to our decision to live by the Truth within the Universe's Movement*.

This isn't meant to minimize the positive contributions that God *does* make in our lives; but only the object in the physical world has been given the opportunity for choice (including the choice to accept or refuse God's help). And, this also doesn't negate the possibility of the random nature of life dealing us Negative as well as Positive. It merely points to the question: in a physical world where misfortune is possible, how do some manage to find joy in life regardless, and others, sorrow?

Tony Robbins first made me aware of this paradox in the example he used of a party that many had attended. When two people were questioned afterwards, one had experienced a wonderful time and met a lot of friendly people, while the other left in disgust thinking the remaining guests to be a bore. Had they attended two different parties? Obviously not. So, what was the reason for their differing reactions? You'd be correct to say it was a difference in perception, but why did it really happen? Choice! Same party, but each chose to have a different experience of it.

Such divergent reactions can often be observed in the news coverage of natural disasters. When interviewed, some will feel that everything they had in life worth living for is gone – and then never recover from it; while others will be grateful that they're still alive and have the opportunity to begin again. The latter are those who have managed to see the gift in suffering, and have richer lives as a result of it. In fact, God knows that there *are* gifts in suffering, and even in death, which is *why* He doesn't interfere. One such gift comes in the form of Divine Retribution (or Karmic Consequence, if you prefer a non-divine metaphor). As God is Merciful, so is He Just; and He realizes that when we start to screw up, we have to learn our lessons. In fact, we should be grateful to God for the wake-up calls, especially since those we miss the first time could cause more serious consequences down the road. They're all part of His *Karmic Law*, and curiously enough contain lessons that are not just object specific, but subject general as well. As part of the same energetic system, we are all spiritually connected, like it or not, and what each of us does affects our neighbor. This conclusion might be physically obvious to most, but not so spiritually. However, an event that may provide someone else with such an opportunity for growth can in turn provide us with one as well (through, for instance, a lesson in compassion or a greater level of awareness). Therefore, when we may observe these things happening in someone else's life, it's not for us to question why. That is up to them to discover, as ours is for us. But there are indeed lessons meant for both. Hopefully, we will at least seek to find, and then take responsibility for, our own.

*Happiness comes from being grateful for all that you do get in life, good or bad, making the most of it and needing nothing more. Sadness comes from needing what's never given to you, and then failing to make use of the good that is.* Jesus taught that lesson in His parables. Other religions and philosophies have found analogous ways to do the same. This doesn't just apply to how we handle the major catastrophes in life, but even to the least trial or tribulation. For instance, you can see how this could affect the success of our closest personal relationships. One person may focus on what they're not getting from the other (such as a particularly high level of success, financial security or physical intimacy – all acceptable pursuits, but not necessary for true happiness), and thus derive Sadness from that. Another might concentrate instead on the good things they are getting (such as stability, love or emotional support), with Happiness the result. Thus, the ability to choose contains the power to determine whether a result produces either Happiness or Sadness. So, if your life's choices aren't bringing you Happiness, choose different courses of action to produce the results you need or change what you need! Failure to do this in business can lead to bankruptcy, in marriage, to divorce. While both can be irreconcilable, appropriate, or even beneficial given the circumstances, neither is necessary if you pay attention to this Law of the Universe. Throughout the ages, numerous ways have been found to express it. Buddha believed we have to release our attachment to the desires that cause us suffering. Mokichi Okada said "If we learn to yield in any given situation we will win in the end, provided we stand for what is right and true." (79)

He understood that while stress limits our inner power, relaxation allows it to flow unrestricted. The Bible explained that the development of the virtue of humility would help us to keep from feeling we deserve more than we receive. Modern philosophers suggest that letting go of outcome can actually increase our chances of it happening. Energetically, through the reduction of life's negative aspects – and resultant *Misery* – they are all trying to lead us to the same place – the positive state called *Bliss*.

Choice is powerful; and it is often misunderstood, especially God's role in it. If a person is struck with a serious misfortune, he or she may conclude that God had something to do with it, or could have stayed the disaster if He so desired. But this is totally contrary to the energetically positive nature of God. If God is Good, how could He ever want to see us harmed? My feeling is God isn't Evil in the sense that He is malicious or ill-willed, only in the sense that He allows for its existence as a necessary balance to Good. Since God is everything, He has to contain both Good and Evil; even the Bible teaches this (see p. 267). However, human mythologies have evolved around spiritual personifications of Evil in the *Tangible Spiritual Realm*, which occur there at the 2<sup>nd</sup> level of *Quadrality*. These, such as Satan, allow for a clear differentiation between them – so that when someone is referring to "God" they're generally implying His *good* part. Whether or not such mythologies are merely convenient representations for this paradox (a deistic view), or accurate descriptions of Spiritual Realm phenomena (a theistic view), is perhaps immaterial. While my personal feelings about the structure of the Spiritual Realm (which I'll get into shortly) allow for such things, my purpose is not to debate those who feel otherwise, because paradoxically, as I'll also explain at that time, they are correct as well. What is important is that both views afford us clues into the actual energetic nature of Good and Evil as something that potentially is either *beneficial* or *harmful*. After all, if Evil exists in the Physical Realm, as we certainly know it does, then there has to be a Spiritual Realm counterpart. (As we'll see, the behavioral concept of Good and Evil only exists in the Physical Realm. In the Spiritual Realm, since God realizes both are necessary, *in His eyes it's all good*. And at the 1<sup>st</sup> level of *Quadrality*, Evil, even as an ideology, doesn't exist until the *Intangible Physical Realm*.)

The truth is that when a harmful thing happens, it is not because a vengeful God caused it, or an uncaring God failed to prevent it. God can't contradict His own Laws, and that includes not interfering with the randomness of life. Sometimes things just happen, to which those living in a physical world would attach perceptions of positive and negative behavior. (80) Once you remove God from the equation when bad happens, then you truly open yourself up to the possibility of spiritual growth because you get to examine whether or not anything you may have done could have actually contributed to its occurrence. If people get in a plane that crashes, obviously a choice to get on that plane was made; but, while there may be an unknown spiritual reason for their choice or that event, in most cases the crash was out of their control. On the other hand, freedom from culpability becomes less clear if you choose to live in a known hurricane, earthquake or tornado area. I don't mean to trivialize the suffering experienced when such an event happens, and all of us make calculated risks to some extent daily in our lives. However, regardless of the validity of your reason for making such a choice, if disaster strikes you should be less surprised. Finally, as you get closer to the other end of the culpability spectrum – where perhaps

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79 Mokichi Okada, "Yield That You May Conquer," in *Fragments From The Teachings Of Meishu-sama* (Atami, Japan: Sekai Kyusei Kyo, 1965).

you are carelessly driving a car while under the influence of whatever and end up wrapped around a tree – realizing your culpability should be a no-brainer!

Examining any of your life's negative occurrences and admitting culpability is a very empowering process. (In [Figure 2](#) it's listed as *Disclosure*, the *Spiritual Issue* in the East.) People often revert to the use of "If" statements when dealing with their misfortunes, whether they be those that occurred that day, or twenty years ago; for instance, "If only I had a nicer boss," or, "If only I had been born to different parents." Aside from such rationalizations often being illogical or impossible, especially like the last one, all they serve to do is shift responsibility for where you are right now from something within your own control to something that's not. Even the circumstances of your birth, such as parents, race and origin, or the grievous wrong you may have suffered at the hands of another, can only continue to hurt you as long as you allow it. What that "If" statement is actually doing is putting you in the role of a victim, and as such you leave yourself vulnerable to more pain; but while the initial strike may come from *Without*, the follow-up is coming from *Within*. Rather than dwell on the past with "If only" statements, empower the present with "I am" affirmations, instead. Try, "I am worthy of happiness," or "I am doing something positive to change my life." They work!

Once death has occurred, the opportunity to learn from our mistakes, at least in this lifetime, has ended. But prior to that point we can always learn and grow, and reflect that additional knowledge in the choices we make. That's where God interacts with us in the co-creative process. What the Bible teaches about temptation can be applied to any challenge we face in life:

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*80 (Among the greatest of God's paradoxes, along with how He could be both Good and Evil, is how there can be a randomness to life in which God doesn't interfere, and yet "no accidents in a perfect Universe," suggesting His participation in its grand design! The answer to either puzzle is only revealed when we expand our point of view. To see God as Good and Evil, we need to look to the top of the energetic pyramid. But to see God as non-interferer in the Chaos of Disaster yet participant in the Order of Triumph, we must examine the Big Picture. Just as the Universe requires both Order and Chaos, accidents are a part of its perfection; and randomness to you or I can be precision to God. The first key to resolving this paradox is realizing which is the dominant principle, and when and how the submissive may – and often should – apply. The second key is acknowledging that the use of human free will can be an act of interference in universal perfection for which there must be karmic consequences. This would all be seen within the Big Picture, but its beauty requires an enlightened vision. Thus, what might seem to "just happen," truly didn't.*

*For instance, a natural disaster, which we would perceive to be a negative accident, from the Earth's point of view is just the Earth going about the positive business of being itself. But, our culpability as a species in such an event actually does exist as a result of our karmic connection to it. Many philosophers, ancient and modern, have spoken on this. For instance, Mokichi Okada explained that Mankind's disregard for natural laws through thought, word and deed results in spiritual clouds, which require physical purification according to the great laws of the Universe. He said that the purposes of fire, wind and water are to act as natural purifiers of the Earth and Sky. In keeping with his philosophy, I believe that what we observe as the Earth's physical process of cleansing and renewal, reflects the need of its spiritual body to do so. That's why I feel so strongly that if a physical Paradise on Earth is ever to be achieved, we must elicit the Earth's participation in it through our own individual, and thus Humanity's collective, behavioral modification!)*

There hath no temptation taken you but such as man can bear: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation make also the way of escape, that ye may be able to endure it. (1 Corinthians 10:13)

As the Immortal Model for the mortal beings made in His image and likeness, God is both Spiritual and Physical. And although His spiritual nature prevents Him from interfering with life's *randomness*, His physical nature allows Him to contribute to its *order* by providing us with the energies we need to make those positive changes. How we handle our tragedies, with His help, is what determines our future happiness. Just recall Christopher Reeve. I pray to God that if serious misfortune came my way, I'd be able to deal with it as well as he did. And what is even more remarkable to me was his ability to turn such a potentially negative thing into so much positivity in the lives of others, including those who were closest. So, is it even correct to assume such an event is a tragedy when, as hard as it may seem to believe, in terms of the *Big Picture* it could be a blessing in disguise? As I said earlier, how can we possibly know – at least with the certainty of God's vision – why these things happen? All we can try to do is find the gift in them. Mr. Reeve obviously had. Every day he faced and met the challenge to choose Joy instead of Sorrow, Bliss over Misery.

(Pp. 210-216)

A large part of the process of finishing rewrites for the *First Digital Edition* had been filling in the gaps between the things I'd written with the things I'd yet to say, or even discover, till then. The need to expand on this particular subject came to me as a result of a discussion I'd had with my mother over lunch in those final months. During our meal, I first explained my thoughts on equal validity for belief in the *Holy Trinity* and the *Holy Quadrality*. (This was introduced in *Footnotes 85 and 86*, p. 226.) Eventually our conversation turned to the question of what separates human beings from animals. I'll share with you now my reply, adding some additional insights that further consideration on the subject has afforded me.

Remove the human soul from the body and all that's left is the animal within it. Human DNA is a reflection of Human Soul. The Essence of Soul precedes it, but it is through the study of one's DNA that the Personality of Soul can be determined. In other words, Tangible Soul manifested as DNA, which eventually manifested its personalized organic form. What separates a human soul from any other in tangibility is that it can exhibit within its own limits the range from Good to Evil – or Divine to Demonic – as does God's, but unlike God's, do so in the Tangible Physical Realm.

The entire Universe seeks symmetry around its Balancing Center. Any of the infinite ranges that can exist do so with that understanding: a Physical exists equal to its Spiritual, a Negative, to its Positive. The soul of a rock, or any inorganic form for that matter, would have a very small range, intrinsically capable of little good beyond its *purpose* for existence, but also little bad as a *result* of it. *It just is.*

Plant souls would have a slightly greater range, possessing a common bond with all higher organic forms, and serving a higher purpose in supporting life through the Positive Growth achieved as a result of photosynthesis – as well as the Negative Decay necessary for the regeneration of new life. Both are Good. Therefore, only the ideological negativity of Bad exists.

The animal soul has a range greater yet, since the potential for involvement in both Construction and Destruction is present. (Destruction in the inorganic world is completely impersonal, no matter how devastating an earthquake or tornado may be to organic life. Entire solar bodies destroy others and even themselves without caring. To the Universe, it's all Good!) However, the potential to reach the highest levels of Spiritual Consciousness is absent, as well as the aspect of Will that turns a destructive act from one inherent to its nature or its survival, to one of Evil.

It is only within the human soul that the range of Good to Evil in the Tangible Physical Realm completely manifests. And, it is only through human choice that Will aligns with the Positive force or the Negative – to become like God or like Satan. Of course, a form of choice exists in the entire animal kingdom, but it is one that is made without the understanding or consideration of moral consequences.

This range exists within God, as well. That is why even the Bible proclaims God is Source of all things, both Good and Evil. "Out of the mouth of the Most High cometh there not evil and good?" (Lamentations 3:38) "I form the light, and create darkness; I make peace, and create evil. I am Jehovah, that doeth all these things." (Isaiah 45:7) One might then infer Satan is the negative aspect of God – the personification of Evil born from within Him as balance to that of Good – and thus likewise containing the range from Good to Evil. However, the difference between God and Satan is that God always chooses Good, and Satan always chooses Evil. Were either to choose otherwise, they would be something other than what those terms imply, the positive and negative extremes of an infinite range of values. But within their range of values, all the variations of Good and Evil exist, as do they.

Since DNA mirrors its creating soul, DNA can reflect both tiny and quantum leaps in spiritual evolution, one in particular being the Intangibly Infinite Soul of God in manifestation as the tangibly finite soul of Man. Creationists may feel that the lack of irrefutable evidence for an unbroken evolutionary chain serves to affirm the Hand of God's involvement in the physical appearance of Adam and Eve. From their point of view, God just snapped His fingers and Man appeared. Evolutionists note that scientists until recently had assumed human DNA was substantially more complex than the DNA of simpler life forms. But now that the human genome has been mapped, they have found the differences are not that striking. Even so, the scientific odds of any DNA at all appearing as a random event are astronomical! Could that be how the Hand of God was present, in service to the infinite intelligence orchestrating its creation? (The *Quadralitic Grids* will later uphold that conclusion.)

With Science and Religion seen less and less in conflict, the quantum leap from what came before Humanity as we know it, to what it is now, is within evolutionary possibility – physically and spiritually. The moment of Adam's creation as referenced in the Bible could simply be a genetically complemented quantum spiritual leap – the point that the evolving soul of Homo Sapiens senses the moral differentiation between Good and Evil! Isn't that the essence of the story of Man's fall in the *Book of Genesis*? And as Science has now shown, with a Universe full of organic ingredients, the genetic variation complementing wouldn't have had to be as extreme as we once thought, or as impossible to believe. They have been occurring throughout its evolution without knowing eyes to witness or conscious minds to record. Minute genetic changes – often called *mutations* – have been recognized and studied. Yet, the Universe, in its effort to seek balance, must provide the other side to those and contain the extreme genetic *variations* that follow from its quantum spiritual leaps, as well.

We must be careful not to overlook *The Divine* in even this now explainable evolutionary process. The Hand of God must still have played its part, if not directly in the physical mechanics of it, most assuredly in its timing. That's why the **Law of Order** is a fundamental one in the Universe. The quantum leap in genetic evolution did not occur until the time and place were right in the context of the *Big Picture*. God is the only one privy to that. Say God wanted a creation that somehow managed the perfect balance between all the spiritual God is and all the physical the Universe is. To survive, it had to occur on exactly the right planet and at exactly the right time in that planet's own evolutionary journey to support it. (And I won't limit it to only one.)

(Pp. 267-268)

There have been many previous mentions of the balance between Good and Bad, as well as Good and Evil. But, when one considers the quadrality their synthesis would form according to *Rule #4*, a curiosity in the following equation appears:

Good/Good // Bad/Evil

How do we differentiate between Good and Good? That term seems to form an appropriate counterbalance to both Bad and Evil. The answer may be as simple as removing an "o" from the first Good! Is not God truly at the other extreme from Evil? (As noted on p. 214, our reference to God is implying His *good* part. We'll speak more on God being both Good and Evil in *Footnote 218*.) Thus:

God/Good // Bad/Evil

The behavioral nature of Evil, in this equation, is apparent. But, the spiritual relationship that God has to Evil will become clear if the dualities are combined according to *Rule #3*.

God/Evil // Good/Bad

Thus revised, this quadrality reveals a powerful truth in our quest to recapture the energy lost to Addiction. Spiritual precedes Physical. Face those addictions that take you in the direction of Spiritual Darkness (i.e., away from the Love within God and toward the Hatred within Evil) before Physical Darkness (away from the Pleasure within Good and toward the Pain within Bad). Physical Darkness may be instrumental in maintaining one's bonds to Pain; but with respect to our ability to connect with God, Spiritual Darkness is the more deadly villain. And without God, Physical Darkness will soon overtake us.

Early in this verse, I mentioned that the energetic balance between words can be approached tangentially. Since the **Four Pathways to Light and Truth** in the *Physical Realm* came from word formations in energetic alignment within the *Spiritual Realm*, tangential energy exists between all paths, beginning with the first two. One powerful example shines in the manifestation of Addiction, a Block to the energy that *guides* our Intuition. It reveals how we *prioritize our pleasures, and thus also our*

*pains*. Something that affects our ability to eliminate unwise Options will tangentially affect how we feel about the Consequences. If our Intuition is telling us that something we are about to do will cause us Suffering, then the ultimate responsibility for that happening lies within Love. After all, what or who do we love more – our addictions, or ourselves?

A practical approach to healing any personal weakness, including one of self-love, can be seen in the context of the triunity of Past/Present/Future. Spiritual leaders throughout the ages have encouraged us to live in the present moment by letting go of Guilt over past mistakes and Worry for future problems. Either of these can immobilize us in the present through Fear. Thus, Past/Present/Future, which exists in either *model* since no behavioral negativity is implied, suddenly becomes associated with a behaviorally negative triunity – Guilt/Fear/Worry.

Our challenge in life becomes the neutralization of any negative force with a positive one. Once the negative force has been neutralized, the continued application of the positive force can effect miracles in our lives. This is the essence of the formula for healing that I've been attempting to leave with you throughout my work.

The fundamental corresponding positive force for the triunity in question can be found hidden within [Figure 2](#). I say hidden, because, in a tangential approach the point is to remember that the terms provided are general guides to discovering the specific relationships you seek. *They're meant to act as Balancing Centers for many energetically compatible dualities, including the ones that contain your specific blocks.* For instance, I feel that Guilt would be covered within the range of values centered by Blame, in a dualistic pairing with Shame. Worry would be covered within the range centered by Anxiety, when paired with Dread. (206) Fear can be found as is.

Each of the general blocks has a neutralizing Virtue in its own path. Innocence neutralizes Blame, Courage neutralizes Fear, and Tranquility neutralizes Anxiety. (207) However, one can find energetic relief for a negative force outside of its path – or tangentially connected. As we've seen repeatedly, a given word has a multitude in balance with it. Begin with the Balancing Center for our triunity – Fear – found in the path of *Domain*. How might Love – a *Driving Force* in the path of *Love* – neutralize it?

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206 *(You may feel it would be more appropriate to pair Guilt and Worry with other synonymous words, but the difference would be one of specific degree, not general direction. If you allow yourself to be flexible, you'll have no problem fitting your query into [Figure 2](#).*

*Note: part of that flexibility is realizing many powerful issues bridge the Pathways, just as we do. Consider the "seven deadly sins": pride, avarice, lust, anger, gluttony, envy, and sloth. Pride and anger can be found as is, but the others touch several paths to varying degrees. For these one must seek their holistic energetic nature. Avarice strongly aligns with Selfishness in the East; yet, the implication of an Attachment to wealth would also cause a loss of energy in the South. Lust centers in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Energy Center, but a lack of Willpower – the 5<sup>th</sup> – must also be considered. Gluttony is likewise a Will issue; but as with Anorexia, its polar opposite, Self-esteem – the 3<sup>rd</sup> – is intimately connected. There is an aspect of Judgment in Envy; yet, Resentment resides in the Heart – the 4<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, Sloth is also a block in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Energy Center, a serious lack of Motivation; still, a feeling of Failure or Inability could certainly cause more than a little of the 1<sup>st</sup> to be included.)*

207 *(Innocence in this case is not referring to a legal condition, but the quality or virtue of self-absolution – an ability to detach from Blame for past transgressions. The ultimate achievement of it would be leading a life of Innocence – one where the occurrence of blame-producing occasions is eliminated.)*

You might at first question balancing Love with Fear, assuming Hate would be a more appropriate balance to Love. Actually, in the West, it would be. But Love can balance with many other Forces – Positive as well as Negative – such as Fear, Anger, Desire, Forgiveness, Attraction, Violence, Lust, etc. Of these, the balance of Love and Fear is perhaps the most tangentially powerful; and many spiritual teachers have understood the healing ability of their association – neutralizing a negative aspect of Mind with a positive aspect of Heart. (208)

Continuing to allow ourselves a bit of flexibility, let's see how the path of Love can provide additional neutralizing agents for our original blocks. Consider its Spiritual Key, Gratitude. Instead of feeling *guilty* about our past mistakes, how about feeling *grateful* for them! That would definitely put you into a more positive and productive state of mind. After all, once you know what doesn't work, you have a clearer realization as to what does. Now, also consider its Spiritual Lesson, Hope. Instead of being *worried* about the future, be *hopeful*, since the future holds the potential for success, not just for the failure we may have found in our past.

In each case, you have made a choice to neutralize a negative, disempowering state with a positive, empowering one. It may seem like you're just playing games with words; and in a sense, you are. But games can be fun, and when you enjoy

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208 *(Actually, Fear on its own isn't necessarily bad. Like everything in the Universe, it has both positive and negative aspects. Fear can function as a positive force when it becomes a heightened sense of cautious awareness in the advancement of an individual life, or our entire civilization. As exemplified by its use in the Christian Bible, at those times Fear has moved away from Terror and toward Respect. It only becomes a deterrent when it begins to turn in the negative direction and we allow fear to immobilize our progress. As President Franklin D. Roosevelt cautioned America during his First Inaugural Address, 3/4/33, "First of all, let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself – nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance." [http://www.quotationspage.com/quotes/Franklin\_D.\_Roosevelt.] It is in the entire quote that his use of the dualistic opposition appears – advance vs. retreat! (209)*

*Thus, it isn't Fear, but the Fear of Fear that can paralyze us. As soon as we become aware that such a condition is occurring, we should initiate a proactive response. In other words, nip it in the bud! One thing you can do to negate it is simply to do the thing you fear. This is the only way to let go of an addiction or attachment. Our fear lies in our inability to believe we can live without it. There is only one solution. Eventually you have to prove to yourself that you can, and that you want to. [Remember: Desire is the Physical Cornerstone for Willpower.] There is no easy road around this. Another way to regain clarity is to begin by questioning if it is actually fear you are experiencing. As previously noted, it has been observed that Fear and Excitement produce the same physiological conditions. The difference is in belief, not reaction. We can use this phenomenon to our advantage. Thus, even if a particular Stimulus produced what could be interpreted negatively as Fear, a change in our perception to a positive one will result in an energetically aligned Response.)*

209 *(Interestingly, in a speech given to Congress in 1941, President Roosevelt said he looked forward to a world founded upon four essential human freedoms: freedom of speech, freedom to worship, freedom from want, and freedom from fear! How about that. Among all the other things that Franklin D. Roosevelt left behind as his legacy was the Quadrality of Human Freedoms!)*

something you'll continue to do it. And in the process, you'll be transforming your life by finding a more positive, affirming, and purposeful way of looking at it.

The triunity of Past, Present and Future has thus provided us with a general template for two specific examples – one negative and one positive – the balancing of which we can apply for personal healing. However, the effectiveness of that process increases when we consider what our template spiritually reflects. After all, Past, Present and Future are physical, temporal conditions. But, look beyond their physical nature and the spiritual symbolism you reveal seems better to invoke the wondrous power of the Universe itself:

What has been / What is / What will be

*What has been*, is that which has gone before, seeking not to judge, but only to serve as our guide. *What is*, is the choice made in the moment based on what has been, with no restrictions except for those that are self-imposed. And, *What will be*, is whatever we ourselves manifest from the Realm of Infinite Possibility!

While searching for ways to positively affect the "what will be" in my own life, my thoughts turned to a biblical teaching whose meaning had often puzzled me. In Matthew 16, Jesus enjoins His followers to deny themselves, take up their crosses and follow Him. Then in Matthew 19, He tells them that if they want to be perfect, go sell their worldly possessions so that they may have treasures in Heaven. Now, wouldn't the logical interpretation of this pair of teachings be that achieving perfection exists in asceticism, and the things that provide comfort in this life will keep you from having it in the next? And to do this, it is not enough to merely let go of our pleasures. We must somehow hold on to the things that have caused us suffering – our "crosses" – if we want to follow Jesus into Heaven!

But, it is in matters of faith where logic often fails. For, such logic would seem like a rather strange prescription for happiness. It also seems contradictory to the energetic nature of the Universe, and to Mokichi Okada's teaching that Humanity is meant to live in a *Paradise on Earth*. And could any but the most devout relate to receiving intangible treasures in Heaven once dead, at the expense of tangible riches on Earth while we're still alive? Wouldn't God want us to enjoy the bounty He Himself provided? Still, even if such a place as Heaven exists, and Christ's teaching draws upon the *Spiritual Truth* He Himself came to reveal, where in these passages has Jesus left behind the key to happiness for those who harmonically align with Science, not just Religion? For it to apply to only one would seem to make it merely half-truth.

A modern philosophical approach to the second part of Christ's invocation could lead to the interpretation that to follow the righteous path we have to let go of all those things that have tied us down – not necessarily the possessions themselves but our pursuit of them as our life's purpose. In a broader sense, these possessions can become more than material things, but our addictions, attachments, ill feelings and limiting beliefs. In either case, whether you want the eternal peace found in the *Kingdom of Heaven* or the temporal peace of *Paradise on Earth*, our possessions can prevent us from achieving it. And *the self* is certainly one of these. Makes sense to let go of that. And philosophically speaking, Heaven can be a state of mind. So, heavenly thoughts will lead to a paradise-like life experience.

All of this is in line with teachings held in common by the world's great, timeless spiritual leaders. But what did Jesus mean by taking up the cross? A devout Christian might suggest it means accepting Jesus as your personal Savior, since, through the

sacrifice of His own blood, His death on the Cross freed you from the consequences of your sinful nature. Another could say the cross itself refers to the sinful nature that we can overcome only by acknowledging it – or, taking it up – and following Him.

But, couldn't Jesus have also wanted to share a message that even those without such theological reverence could appreciate and learn from? Moreover, a lesson taught through a reference to perhaps the most powerful symbol of fear and intimidation ever devised would not have the same impact today as it would when millions lived daily in the shadow of its horror. Jesus professed to be the Son of God. His condemners said he was either a heretic or dangerously delusional, and deserved to be crucified. You can't get two more contradictory points of view than those. Chances are that contemporary debunkers claiming delusion have stopped reading this book long ago. Devout Christians are already deep into Jesus, and celebrate His Gospel as the written Word of the Living God. It is the ones in between who can use help seeing what Jesus also has to offer to them.

Regardless of whether Jesus was the Son of God, a holy man, or a misguided fanatic, the truth remains that He died for what He believed in. The parables Christ left behind are filled with His reminders to live by the Cornerstones of Truth, Faith, and Belief. But even He couldn't just tell us about the importance of Commitment. He had to show us. For a moment, overlook any theological significance associated with His Crucifixion. The cross He was nailed to was the *Cross of His Commitment*. I believe what Jesus is telling us is that to follow Him we must live by *our truth* with that level of strength! In other words, actions speak louder than words. *You have to live your teachings!* And that means taking responsibility for and letting go of all those things you've held on to that are false truths – and seeking God's help to do so.

But, following Him also means we need to understand where His Truth was coming from. While others may try to crucify us for our commitment to our truth, the punishment for giving in will be far more insidious. When we transgress the Will of God, God isn't our executioner. We ourselves are the ones driving the nails into our own cross. Perhaps Jesus, through that invocation to carry the cross, was trying to help remind us of our fate if we let God's Truth get lost.

Your beliefs are who you are. When Jesus asks us to keep our eyes on Him, He is warning us of the potential danger of allowing our thoughts to focus on the Darkness rather than the Light. It is unfortunate that still today men and women sacrifice their lives for convictions that aren't directed toward God's, or Humanity's, higher purpose. Is it truly in the name of their God that terrorists willingly kill and die – no matter how just the cause may appear – or for the political or financial gain of their leaders? This is the crux of the difference between Absolute and Relative Truth: Wisdom that comes direct from the Soul of God before it gets filtered through the feelings within the Heart of Man or interpreted by the thoughts within the Mind. Feelings can help reveal the Truth, but they can also conceal it. Thoughts that may serve to clarify the Truth can just as easily confuse it.

It is crucial for us to understand that now, at this point in Humanity's history. Less than half a century ago, as I was awkwardly growing up, my only concern at school was whether or not I might inadvertently cross some bully from the next grade in the parking lot. Of course, an act of intimidation or harassment can still be a hurtful experience to a young child. It was to me, then. But today, children have to go to school every day worrying about whether or not they are going to be raped, assaulted, shot at, or blown to pieces!

Something is definitely wrong with this picture, and we don't have a moment to lose in correcting it. That same fifty years ago, Mokichi Okada was explaining to his followers that God was beginning to release more Divine Light to make possible the creation of *Paradise on Earth* – Mankind's destiny. But we can see now that the Laws of the Universe demand equal positive to be balanced by equal negative. Can there be any question in anyone's mind as to what, then, is actually happening, and why?

To make possible the greater Spiritual Light, Spiritual Darkness has also increased. Much earlier in this book I said that the dawn of this New Millennium was Humanity's wake-up call to accepting its own adulthood. Being an adult in this macrocosmic sense means learning how to remain in the Light no matter how enticing the Darkness that beckons us may seem. And it is with us that the physical manifestation of Spiritual Light or Darkness becomes a choice. For, just because the potential for Darkness is increasing doesn't mean it has to be released into actuality.

But, the Evil is not going to go away on its own. In fact, it will get worse. There are forces in place to allow for a level of inhumanity that would make Hitler blush. (210) You don't need a great imagination to see it occurring. Is the Good in Humanity just going to stand by and watch this happen?

You may say: "What can I do? Vote for bigger laws? Harsher punishments?" It is obvious that such deterrents don't work. There isn't a teenager who can't get alcohol, drugs, or even a gun if they choose to – all three of which they are beginning to use at an alarming rate.

Some problems can be dealt with on the physical level. But in this case the world's sense of moral integrity seems to be disappearing. Thus, the answer can truly lie only in a *spiritual solution*. This book is dedicated to passing along to you the ones that have helped me. I hope that I get to see *Paradise on Earth*, and find billions of others with me. I also hope we don't have to live through Armageddon to get there!

The essence of any moral issue is one of faith. Mokichi Okada taught the East that "the ultimate purpose of faith is to help each human being daily become closer to the perfect image and likeness of God." (211) Many a Westerner when seeking a course of action will query "W. W. J. D. – what would Jesus do?" From the East, from the West, from the North or the South, it is through faith that one feels connected to *the Source* of all good. Thus, when people face great hardship, it challenges their faith in God. After all, how could a loving God let it occur? When such disheartening thoughts and bitter feelings are left unresolved, their ability to connect to an existent Supreme Power becomes lost, as well as any choice in life rooted in that connection.

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*210 (This isn't in the Extremes. Hitler didn't invent slavery, or genocide. "Hitlers" and their acts of inhumanity have existed since before recorded history. However, the frequency of unkind acts within the population as a whole is seriously affecting the Means! This is where we need to place our focus because it represents a reflection of the spiritual health of society, much in the same way that global stock exchange averages reflect the fiscal health of the world market. You may question how I can say this about the Means when our present "enlightened" civilization is compared to its barbaric beginnings. The key is in realizing our increase in enlightenment brings a commensurate increase in the Karmic Responsibility to live by it or suffer the more serious Karmic Response, as we'll next learn.)*

211 Mokichi Okada, "True Religion," in *Daily Inspirations: Teachings of Meishu-sama* (New York: Izunome Association, 2002), p. 24.

But we need to realize that He is the God of Order *and* Chaos, and it *is* all good. Indeed, when painful things occur, they may have been God's most loving response to our true spiritual need. For, even pain can have a purpose. Everything contains the seed of something good if we choose to let it – and turn to the Light that's always on.

Remember: there are no accidents in a perfect Universe. From God's point of view, it happened, so, it was meant to. Otherwise, call it accident or not, the thing that occurred would've been something else! Since love is at the core of the Universe, from love it must have been directed. We may not see how in the midst of suffering. Then, peace is found only in the eyes of the One who has a view of the *Big Picture*.

Happiness is a co-creation between God and Man. Every day, as the artist of your own life, you get to paint another picture. With a blank canvas in front of you, and a palette full of choices, into which colors will you dip your brush? Will they be the sorrowful ones you're familiar with, like Worry, or Guilt, or Anger, or Resentment? Or will they be instead, new, joyful ones, like Hope, Gratitude, Love, and Serenity.

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The balance between Good and Evil has existed and always will exist throughout the Universe. You can't eliminate the energetic potential for Evil. All an enlightened society can do is diminish its physical manifestation. Those acts that one would normally associate with the concept of Evil are willful transgressions of God's Laws. When you look out at the natural phenomenon of the world, everything is in perfect order. Just sit in a park on a peaceful, clear day and see the animals, insects, flowers, birds, and trees, all in perfect harmony. All are in accord with God's Laws.

The willful manifestation of Evil by human beings has been occurring ever since the first time one was able to make that distinction. As horrific and barbaric an act as the bombing of the World Trade Center was, is it any more so than, for instance, the slaughter of millions of Chinese throughout their long history; or the genocide of 6 million German Jews at the hands of Hitler; the more recent tragedies in Cambodia or Rwanda; or the countless wars waged by practically every country – born witness by the bloody records Mankind has left behind? We Americans may consider the bombing of the WTC an evil act. And in God's eyes, I feel it was. But, there are others who would say the same of the relentless bombing of Iraq during the Gulf War. Would God not say the same of that? Is there any reason adequate for such mass human destruction? For that matter, think of the Native tribes that were decimated in the "white man's" effort to populate their land. Could God call that justice? Then, consider the hundreds of thousands of lives lost in Japan in seconds as a result of two strategically placed atomic bombs. Of course, the quick resolution of that horrible war may be considered justification by many, citing the millions more that could have died if the war had continued. And justification can likewise be found for Korea, Vietnam, or Desert Storm. But what will seem like justification to one, may appear as Evil to another; and the terrorists who committed suicide in the name of their God and their cause felt justified for destroying our symbols of freedom and democracy, and political and financial power. (In fact, suicide bombers are idolized in their county as heroes, and seen as role models children wish to emulate!) Now, you might say the hijacking of a plane full of innocent passengers and its use as a tool of mass destruction in times of peace, is a much more heinous form of evil than that associated with a declared war against public officials who have been prepared for the consequences of

their continued crimes against Humanity. And I would have to admit that as being an energetic truth in the Universe, since all things exist within a range of values. But, it is also God's Truth that none of these actions, or their justifications, will have a place in *Paradise on Earth*.

The disasters of September 11, 2001 are a heavy price to pay for an apparent lesson in humanity. Yet, it is Humanity that must learn the lesson, for, what we don't learn we are forced to repeat. And the lessons get harder, not easier. It is God's way of bringing balance to the Universe. In the context of the *Big Picture*, all of these actions are tools God uses to purify the planet so *Paradise on Earth* can be achieved. It is in this sense that Evil serves God's purpose. As hard as this may be to come to terms with, we as a country have to accept karmic responsibility for the destruction of the World Trade Center, a portion of the Pentagon, and the thousands of lives lost as a result. And karmic responsibility is accrued for acts of omission, as well as commission. How many times have countries, and the individuals within them, just stood back and watched everything from an attack on the street to the genocide of millions and done nothing?

The *Laws of Karmic Response and Responsibility* aren't something you can turn on and off when it's convenient. They're part of the fundamental energetic nature of the Universe. So are Good and Evil. And Evil isn't an act only the other guy commits.

Everything in the Universe has its balance, including Evil. In its negative aspect can be found the violence, suffering, and senseless destruction thus manifested, regardless of who commits it or for what reason. But, Evil has a positive aspect in the lesson we are suddenly forced to learn. For, Evil exists because all of us have allowed it, fostered it, and in most cases, within its range of values, perpetrated it. Thus, we can say God has used Evil to make us realize our own role in its proliferation (218), not just in Mankind's overt acts of war and violence, but in the fictionalized and dramatized forms that society has become so used to relying on for entertainment. Unfortunately, what we had failed to realize is how desensitized we'd become to the reality of mass destruction, through an assortment of media whose focus has been on its commercial exploitation. Yet, when we come face to face with its personal realization, there is nothing entertaining in the outcome.

As hideous as our recent tragedy was, in its aftermath we can find hope. Daily we have seen it in the heroic actions of those whose hearts suddenly opened up in response to the crisis. Therein lies the core of *Good* within Humanity. It is also there that the ultimate lesson resides. While *Evil* is an energetic potentiality that can never be erased, its physical manifestation is a choice; and it is a choice that Humanity must work collectively to eliminate if we are ever to have a *Paradise on Earth*. Jesus believed we could achieve it. So did Meishu-sama, and so do I. And so do you, or this book would have long ago been tossed aside.

As the Light increases on this planet, as we know it must for Christ to return, the Darkness must also increase. This is a Law of the Universe. The Darkness, or at least its physical manifestation as Evil, has to be purified from this planet at all levels. And, *that* Darkness has to be brought out into the Light in order for us to see it for what it is and make the aware choice as a society to eliminate it or face the karmic consequences (as pointed out in *Footnote 210*). Such purification begins with our leaders and the choices they've made, both personally and professionally.

Mokichi Okada taught that *Paradise on Earth* will be a crystal-clear world. In such a world, no Evil can find a place a hide. We can already see how the tools of Mankind, from the increasing use of industrial surveillance to the average citizen with

a camcorder, are beginning to serve God's purpose. Even these acts of terrorism serve the same: the eventual elimination of the Evil that caused its occurrence. Can the free world experience a more horrific example of the price we pay for perpetrating and glorifying our own transgressions of God's Laws?

In times of crisis, we pray. We connect to a God that perhaps we've forgotten, or overlooked, or even disavowed, to help us deal with the misfortune. Could this not also be a reason in God's Plan for such horrific acts? Allegorically speaking, God has been trying to make us realize the error of our ways. Is this what it takes for Him to get our attention? I pray we don't need a sterner warning!

And there is another, more practical lesson that crime, disaster, or tragedy can teach us. It is the need to be vigilant. Vigilance is a word that has almost become trendy in the days following 9/11. But it is a lesson that I began to speak of for some time, since I had begun to feel the effects of my own laxity in the matter. We must never drop our guard, collectively and individually; for, we never know what action, or lack of one, may provide the *Forces of Darkness* with the opportunity to strike.

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*218 (In a way, herein lies the answer to the question that arises whenever misfortune strikes. How could God let that happen? While God is always there to get us through such times, I truly believe that God doesn't interfere in the affairs of Man, as I'll soon explain. God is the all-pervading conscious energy that knows no matter what happens, there is good to be found in it, and it all has a purpose! Despite the horrific nature of the events of 9/11, can anyone deny the remarkable good that has come from them? What about the myriad acts of courage and compassion on a global scale, or the sudden reawakening in all Humanity of the desire to turn to a Higher Power for comfort, help and healing? Is it not then possible that such an event was called for to get Humanity's train back on track, one that if left derailed could have resulted in the loss of millions of lives, rather than thousands? Now, did all the souls that were on those planes and in those buildings make a pact in some pre-life to participate in that event just so Humanity could learn those lessons and come together the way it has? To answer that would be to take a peek behind the Veil. Nonetheless, through Humanity's collective choice, the immensity of Evil in the act itself found a balance in the immensity of Good in those that followed.*

*While God doesn't interfere in our affairs, I feel, however, that He does participate. This is a paradox we may never fully resolve. To interfere would mean the element of choice has been removed from our lives. But participation allows for some grand design, all in accordance with His Laws – in the context of which we make our choices. And it includes the co-creative aid found in His ever-present Light. Our ability to access it again rests with us through the Faith associated with prayer, as well as the Karma and Aura associated with good works. Nonetheless, God's Decision is faithful and totally impartial, in keeping with the laws that no one, especially the One who created them, can transgress. They are always designed to seek the greatest good of the Eternal before the Temporal, Collective before the Self. Thus, every prayer has always been answered, even though it is rarely possible for us to see it through our own biased and limited vision.*

*And now that we have a sense of the true nature of energy, you can see why I said on p. 214 that a reference to God is implying His good part. At the apex of the pyramid, prior to any separation, is the Unity of GOD. But the act of the Universe's creation requires Unity to descend into a Duality that must forever maintain oppositions in balance. God and Satan are the polar extremes of the Unity of GOD; and, constantly accessible is the energy of each, through the willful choice to align with one or the other. But, just as Order ruled Chaos to create the Universe, God's Light always will overcome Satan's Darkness.)*

Does this mean we have to live in fear of it, to allow the potentiality of its presence to paralyze us? Absolutely not. But to believe we can live oblivious to it is to walk in a Fool's Parade!

I can remember a meeting I had earlier that year (around February, 2001) with the same spiritually-minded group I'd spoken of before. The discussion, being moderated by my close friend and founder of the group, Diane Lynn Hyman, turned to the increase in God's Light being sent to our planet. Everyone seemed to be focusing on the good it would bring without considering the more serious ramifications of that occurrence in the context of the *Big Picture*. I was suddenly moved to tell them that according to the Laws of Energetic Balance, equal Light must be balanced by equal Darkness; and as the Light was increasing, so, therefore, had to be the Darkness. (219) I then mentioned that there existed on this planet forces of Evil beyond anything we could possibly imagine. (You'll probably recall my recent reference to Hitler blushing!)

This immediately upset the people who had gathered and greatly affected the mood and direction of the event. In fact, one guest pulled out a dowser's pendulum and quickly informed the group that his spirit guide was telling him what I said was wrong. The thought that later came to me in response was, not all the spirits in that room were benevolent; and there may have been some that didn't want us to know the truth, since, the truth would have put their very reason for existence in jeopardy. Needless to say, we didn't have to wait even a year for evidence to back up the message that had been sent through me. I'm not mentioning this to brag, any more than I wanted to burst the happiness bubble that night. But, look at what happened on September 11. Those of us who want to affect the future of this planet have better get serious about it!

To ease the fears of the members attending the meeting who were upset by what I said, I shared with them the understanding of how important it is for all of us who have been awakened to the potentiality of a life focused on love, to do our utmost, in whatever way we can, on behalf of the *Vibrations of Light*. A united effort is called for. And I say now, to you, that unless we do that, the World Trade Center tragedy will have been the beginning of the devastation and suffering, not the end!

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219 *(The whole idea of God's Light increasing, assuming you accept this concept, as I do, presents us with some really interesting questions at both the philosophical and scientific level. Let's examine two. How does the occurrence fit into the **Spiritual Blueprint** for which the **Quadralitic Cube** is its paradigm? And, why should it be occurring now? Let's approach the first question purely from the perspective of energy. After all, I've bypassed the entire question of how things work out in the **Tangible Spiritual Realm**, where entities like angels and demons, or even God and Satan as **Spiritual Personifications**, exist. I was very careful to explain the **Theory of Harmonic Creation** without relying on things that take us behind the Veil. In doing so, I claimed proof of God's existence by examining the three systems within which harmonics are found, and then deriving spiritual conclusions from the understanding that **Spiritual precedes Physical**. Those harmonic systems enabled us to see how there was an energetic boundary created between the **Realms of the Intangible and Tangible**, permeable only from the **Intangible Realm** by an energy with frequencies high enough to make the passage through it. To say, then, that **God's Light** is increasing means the boundary has shifted toward the **Realm of the Intangible**. The increase is not in quantity, but quality! From God's perspective, these frequencies always existed. But now, on this side there are frequencies present that haven't been available before. These are the*

frequencies that can take us into a higher realm of spiritual consciousness. To then say they're balanced by an increase in **Satan's Darkness** means the same thing. That boundary has been shifted in the other direction as well. Whatever enters on one side of the equation has to enter on the other. We showed that on p. 569 when we joined a 1<sup>st</sup> level quadrality to a second, inverted quadrality to reflect the energetic opposition of Root Realms. It is similar to the **Tree of Life** I've heard some cabalists recognize as extending below the other in the opposite direction. Now, have more evil spirits suddenly arrived on this planet to wage an intangible battle with the good ones? Seeing that would require eyes not in my possession. But when we realize that all behaviors have a vibration attached to them, and that the harmonics and frequencies we align with in so behaving are already present, we can then understand why evil behavior appears to be increasing. Its frequencies are.

For us to grow consciously, the key is in realizing that these frequencies do not demand to be manifested in physical tangibility. That solely happens as a matter of free will. But the fact that **Dark vibrations** are increasing actually points to the answer for the second question. The increase in the **Light vibrations** is occurring as an inevitable part of the process of growth. The Physical Universe is expanding. By the Law of Order, the Spiritual Universe has to be expanding as well. Not the intangibly conscious part of it; Spiritual infinity has no limit to expand beyond. The expansion I'm referring to is in **tangible consciousness**. It is now occurring within the Human Race, and will require us to make more spiritually discerning choices in the harmonics with which we'll align. That's why the **Dark vibrations** must increase. God is raising the bar! For Jesus to return to Earth to lead us in the manner He is destined to, we have to meet this challenge. This is the reason I said a few moments ago that the Darkness has to be brought out into the Light. To evolve to a level of consciousness where the creation of a **Paradise on Earth** is possible, we have to make the aware choice as a society to eliminate Darkness's Evil manifestation.

And this is not the first time the Light has increased on this planet. It had to happen any time a conscious life form was getting ready to make the next leap in its own spiritual evolution. Can you imagine the amount of Light that had to appear to move a pre-human life form to a human one? And of course, that brought with it an increase in the Darkness. For, suddenly there was a being that was capable of willfully non-Godlike behavior. When you realize how long it's been since that happened, you begin to understand what patience and forgiveness mean in the context of Divinity. God's waited a long time, and forgiven more transgressions than we could ever fathom. This realization then implies that the entire process, from Spiritual Moment One, must have been orchestrated according to some grand design – what Mokichi Okada called **God's Great Plan**. And this would likewise imply a force of will and magnanimity of love beyond comprehension. And the Earth is only one planet in the vastness of the Universe, some fifteen billion years and only God could know how many miles from the metaphorical place where it all began!)

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The summary at the end of the last essay gave me the opportunity to review the key logical points in my philosophy so as to make my final case for the *System of Quadrality*. These closing comments, on the other hand, have allowed me to return to some major moral issues I've hoped to address, to impress upon all the importance of effecting change on that level for the future betterment of our planet and each of its inhabitants. Before bidding adieu, I wish to return to the two fundamental forms of spiritual and physical consequence for our moral transgressions – sin and karma.

Though covered before, the point can't, I feel, be made strongly enough; since, the failure to change our present course will only lead to one cataclysmic destination.

I noted before how "good works" is often an issue of contention among those faithful to Jesus' words. But theological considerations aside, the difference in the two positions can be understood in terms of the above fundamental forms of consequence. Sin is unlike karma. When you do something that transgresses universal truth, there is a sin and a karma involved. Karma is a record of physical transgressions kept in Intangible Mind and Body, and it can be ameliorated through good works. But, sin is a record of spiritual transgressions kept in the realm of Tangible Soul and Heart, and once an act has been committed, the fact that it was committed can never be erased. The transgression of both spiritual and physical laws enacts a "punishment." In the physical realm, ethical laws decide the appropriate price, and when that price is paid the transgression is absolved. But in the spiritual realm, there is no way to pay the price demanded by moral laws except through God's forgiveness. And on that journey our heart will only carry with it what it already has. If it didn't come with forgiveness, how can it ask for it? Still, only through the blood of Jesus can the slate be washed clean, a statement I make irrespective of any theological acceptance of this or Him, merely an affirmation of energetic truth offered courtesy of the *System of Quadrality*. Otherwise, just as in the physical realm when someone found guilty seeks forgiveness from a judge, you may get leniency but likely not a pardon.

And the ability to be spiritually cleansed and restored through Jesus' sacrifice is something we can call upon and benefit from every day. Each day we have another chance to seek God's forgiveness and receive His Grace. Again, my personal feeling is that you don't have to be a Christian to receive this. It happens whenever anyone goes through the process in whichever way for him or her best recognizes this truth. Jesus Christ purified the heart of all Humanity. And the access to His *Holy Spirit*, made possible through the shedding of His blood, affords us healing and protection whenever we seek it. Just know that while you may be protected, you're not immune. The ramifications of sin and karma will still apply. Though God's forgiveness would never be withheld, a disregard for these laws will steer you from the *path of Light* and weaken your resolve to fight the *Forces of Darkness*. And in that battle the *Holy Spirit* and *Johrei*, as I discussed in an earlier essay, both serve a purpose. The *Forces of Darkness* are not just those conflicts inside us between Faith and Fear that provide their own path to personal destruction, but evil entities in the Spiritual Realm who tempt us to live contrary to God's Truth. And if you think such demons don't exist, or the angels in balance to them who help us on our journey, consider this. If God could populate a Physical Realm with creatures appropriate to its laws, wouldn't He also have been able to do that in the Spiritual Realm with beings befitting its laws?

So, does God forgive someone who has perpetrated a horrible crime, say, a Hitler? Would God forgive Hitler? Of course. As I just said, God forgives anyone who asks for it. But only God and Hitler know what his heart was carrying when spiritual judgment came. God could forgive Hitler since evil serves a purpose. It is here to make us realize we've allowed it, and it will continue until the collective of Humanity gives notice for it to end. Thus, *it is* all good. I've heard some spiritually minded folk say it's time to take Jesus down from the cross. What they may mean by this aside, there is only one way to do that. Stop doing what put Him there to begin with.

Numerous times in this work I have let Hitler serve as the example of the human embodiment of evil. I hope you realize why he was used to represent all those who throughout human history have had such disregard for human life and liberty,

have had the means and ability to act in accord with those inclinations, and then have chosen to follow through on them. I picked Hitler because he, I feel, is the most universally recognized figure in recent memory that could serve in this capacity. But I'm sure there are those who would call me in error, say I've done him a disservice and that he actually did much good for Germany. Some still idolize him to this day.

There are three truths to bear in mind. First, there is no way to justify the slaughter of millions of innocent people – or the standing by as it happens. And both have gone on since the birth of Mankind and continue to this day. History is littered with accounts of human tragedies that could have been stopped or averted completely if human beings just cared enough about each other to step in. This is how we adjust the karmic filter. And while it is easy to comment on the grand-scale transgressions of compassion or pass judgment on those involved, how many of us are truly willing to risk our own life to help a person, say, assaulted on a street? 9/11 showed to the whole world not just what it meant to be a hero, but to live as a true child of God.

Second, just because you claim your motive is righteous doesn't mean you've not offended God – so my own government must bear its share of Humanity's spiritual debt for the means it chose to end WWII. Certain assumptions were made at the time – that it would hasten Japan's surrender and result in a considerable reduction in casualties. Those assumptions may have been correct, though we can never know. Regardless, I feel God would say the end did not justify the means. Murder is murder no matter which side is counting the casualties. Did that country's innocent citizens deserve to pay for the crimes of its leaders? More importantly, have any of the governments of the world yet learned that lesson? Clearly, assumptions are still being made and lost lives on both sides are still the consequence. Now, I would be among those that say the citizens of the free world who took action were correct in not standing by while Hitler pursued his plan for global domination. We live in a vastly different world today than it would have been if they hadn't. My own father was among those who risked their lives for our freedom, and if he hadn't survived the Anzio invasion I wouldn't be here today. But such decisions must be based on truth, and not just one country's, or leader's, version of truth, or motive for the resultant action. Individually, and collectively as nations, people are presented with challenges that force them to confront and overcome the *Forces of Darkness* in their lives. In all cases we must be careful that we are not doing for others what God wants them to do for themselves. Rather than refer to the thoughts of someone else, I'd like to recall my own made in *A SPIRITUAL APPENDIX*, pp. 80-81:

Thus, while Morals and Ethics can support one another with similar Values and Principles, often they're meant to remain separate. But, that doesn't mitigate one's spiritual accountability for a physical choice made. Therefore, I also believe that while God is allowing us the ability to make our own choice, He is expecting us to learn how to make spiritually correct and responsible ones. It is one of Humanity's most important collective missions, and one that I trust will have a great impact on the future of all life on this planet. God expects this, not for His benefit, but for our own – because He loves us and knows that we are the ones who must live with the spiritual and physical ramifications of our individual and group choices. I also feel He realizes that when Choice is removed, the Empowerment we would receive from making the right one is never possible:

*The potential for Evil must exist or there is no choice for Good.*

If Good then comes, it isn't because we chose it, and our Soul never got the chance to build its Spiritual Muscle – Discipline. Think about it. We would not have an adult immune system capable of warding off disease if it had never been built up encountering sickness as an infant. Our Soul deserves no less an opportunity. Spiritual infancy can occur at any moment in one's life when it is faced with a new opportunity, or reason, to choose Evil. The choice for Good turns that infant within us into a spiritual adult, stronger for the encounter, and better able to withstand the next assault on our Morality or Integrity.

As the effort to purify the darkness in our lives moves from the individual to the collective, an equal assessment of the truth involved must occur. I am not advocating a global government, just a respect for the global consensus. The United Nations isn't absent of its own impurities, and recent events showed how the opposition of foreign leaders doesn't always come from the purest of motives. So, there must be balance in discernment. With the *Izunome Principle* in mind should all choices be made: *The perfect balance of two sides is the point where they meet, from which either side can be favored – at the time and to the degree needed – depending on circumstances.*

Third, you don't have to murder masses of people to be a friend of the same evil force. Millions upon millions of "little Hitlers" have violated the laws of God and energies of our planet through their violence, anger, hatred, or greed. At the conclusion of the brilliant movie ***The Green Mile***, John Coffey, an innocent miracle of God wrongfully condemned to death, says how every day all over the world people kill each other with their love. He can feel their pain, since they can't hide what's in their heart – a burden so great that it makes him anxious for his own death. If he could have shaken your hand, first ask, what is it that you love, and is it worth dying for? Death is a metaphor for any desire that brings to us suffering. Then ask, who might want to use your love against you to gain what they love? As Jesus said, forgive them, for they know not what they do. Finally, search your heart to see if the demon's shoe has ever been on your own foot. Remove it if you seek to enter the House of God. You won't be able to conceal what's in your heart from Him.

Mokichi Okada prophesied that *Paradise on Earth* would be a crystal clear world in which no error could hide. The Light would increase to purify out the Darkness. We've begun to see world purifications on a grand scale. Some of these are a result of Man's transgression of the Laws of God, and must occur through human actions. The disasters of 9/11 are again a great example. Such acts bring to view the evil of organizations and individuals carrying them out, but also the evil of the injustices that may have instigated those actions. It's the latter that are least easy to see and take responsibility for, since it is simple to point a finger at the perpetrators and say the evil is terrorism and therefore we must wage a war on terror. But how many new innocent lives are lost in the process and in which direction does the finger point then? And the other side must likewise realize that it has a hand pointing with its own set of fingers. Terrorism is unconscionable, and the karmic clocks of the governments that foster it are also ticking.

Other disasters reveal no evil entity at which to point a finger. In these it is most difficult to see our karmic connection. While it may be for many people a hard thing to accept, they're in part the result of Man's transgression of the laws of Nature: earthquakes, floods, fires, tornadoes, and so on. Because, within these disasters is a truly important lesson for Humanity to learn. Our planet and we are out of balance. Can we not see there is a planetary impact to destroying rain forests, to polluting our

waters, to poking holes in our atmosphere? If you think terrorists or their victims have reasons to be angry, what about the Earth? Actually, these natural phenomena are not born from anger but merely from the Earth doing what it needs to for survival in keeping with *The Law of Dynamic Stability*. Great floods, fires, ice ages and cosmic collisions are known to have taken place throughout the ages – events that have had enormous impact on life here. Did the dinosaurs have “bad karma”? But examine the many natural disasters happening in our own lifetime. If you look close you will see great numbers of inequities and iniquities being brought to light as a result, from government failures, political and corporate corruption, neglect or misuse of natural and manmade resources, criminal profiteering, and a general disregard for our fellow children of God. Of these, too, we must be cleansed. In that sense, all these disasters likewise serve God’s purpose. An ideal world cannot be realized until we elicit Nature’s participation through God-centered intentions and actions.

And getting right with God and the planet we live on has to begin within the individual. As the Light increases, the Darkness must be purified from each and every one of us. All our “great medicines” haven’t stopped the suffering we see daily from diseases, and these treatments themselves leave toxins that must later be purified or new ailments that must eventually be treated. The bulk of the human race has yet to admit the spiritual connection to the increase in its own suffering. And the Light is only beginning to intensify. Imagine what awaits us! Each person must go through God’s purification process for becoming worthy citizens of a New Civilization. Dr. Emoto’s water teaches what is required. “No matter how natural or pure the water you drink, without a pure soul it will not taste good.” \*

\* Masaru Emoto, *The Hidden Messages in Water*, translated by David A. Thayne (Hillsboro, Oregon: Beyond Words Publishing, Inc., 2004), p. 83.

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