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© JoelGoldsmithBooks.com © Acropolis Books, Inc. All rights reserved. In Chapter 10 of *The Contemplative Life*, Joel recommended eight specific chapters in the writings that all serious students of the Infinite Way should study intently and know well. He says: "In order to build a consciousness of truth, all Infinite Way students should know the following passages as well as they know their own names." Later he said that these chapters are of paramount importance to the serious student because they contain the answers to almost every individual problem that can be brought to the student, including family relations, illness, and supply.

This guide features one of these eight important chapters. Please note: the key passages we have selected are simply cues to inspire your own study, which may take you deeper, and in new directions.

Joel's Eight Important Chapters

- *The Infinite Way*, Chapter 11 "The New Horizon"
- The Heart of Mysticism: Vol. V, Chapter 10 "Break the Fetters that Bind You"
- *The Heart of Mysticism: Vol. II*, Chapter 3 "Protection"
- *The Contemplative Life*, Chapter 8 "Contemplation Develops the Beholder"
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- Practicing the Presence, Chapter 5 "Love Thy Neighbor"
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"THE RELATIONSHIP OF ONENESS"

THE ART OF SPIRITUAL HEALING CHAPTER ELEVEN

Chapter Highlights*

...Your world and mine is an outpicturing of our consciousness: When that consciousness is imbued with truth, our universe expresses harmony, orderliness, prosperity, joy, peace, power, and dominion; when there is an absence of truth in our consciousness—an acceptance of world values and world beliefs—then our world takes on the complexion of the chance, change, and luck characteristic of world belief.

...there is no law of darkness because you know that darkness can be dispelled by the presence of light. Yet in the absence of light, darkness would claim presence; and just so in the absence of truth in your consciousness, ignorance, lies, appearances, discords, and inharmony claim to be present.

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...Suppose that you find yourself in a situation where you are faced with a roomful of people with whom you must work in some capacity or other—talk to them, instruct them, or serve them...How can you establish a sense of oneness with all these people?

*This Selected Study Guide highlights selected passages from one of the eight important chapters followed by related excerpts from Joel's books and transcripts.

... God is the animating principle of every individual; God is the mind of every person here, the intelligence expressing as person. God is the only love, and God being infinite, God is all love; therefore, God is the love of individual being, and being filled with the love which is God, no individual can be used as an instrument for hate, envy, jealousy, or malice.

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...when you look out at this world and see persons or circumstances claiming to have power over you for good or evil, you again must acknowledge that your being is in Christ and only the Christ-inspired can have any influence in your affairs.

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...Several years ago in a period of distress it came to me that I must love those who hate me, I must give love for ingratitude; and my answer was, "Father, I just can't do it. I don't know how to do it....If there is to be any loving, I am perfectly willing to be the avenue through which You, God, can love them through me. If that can be arranged, let's have it that way; but don't ask me to love them because that is beyond my capacity." It was less than a minute after that that I settled down into a beautiful peace, went to sleep, and awakened completely healed.

...What was required for the demonstration that I had to make? Was it not the ability to "nothingize" myself, even to the extent of not trying to be self-righteous about loving my enemy? When you say that you are loving your enemy, that is self-righteousness. We have to learn to let God do the loving and be willing to be an instrument through which God's love flows to our friends and to our enemies.

...In the world there are good people and bad people, just and unjust people, but when you climb up into that circle of God you find that God is the principle of all people ...Your home is a composite of your consciousness of home.

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...You are the doorkeeper of your household and you should stand guard at the door to see that nothing gets past that door which does not have the right to be there. This door, however, is not a material door. The only door there is, is the door of consciousness, and the only door for which you are responsible is that door. What do you allow to get past your door, your consciousness?

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...Everything that comes within range of your consciousness will take on the nature and character of that consciousness.....Friends, relatives, and even acquaintances who find their way to your home ostensibly seeking companionship, supply, or any form of material good, even though from their point of view that may be their purpose, are in reality longing and craving for the true substance of life, the "meat that perisheth not."

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...God is the substance and the activity of my home; God is the consciousness of every individual who enters my home, whether it is family or friends. Nothing enters my home to contaminate or violate its sanctity, because God is my only home.....Since God is my consciousness, nothing can enter that consciousness that "defileth or maketh a lie," and even if I, in my ignorance or human softness, permit something to enter which has no place there, it will not long remain. The consciousness of Truth and Life which I am will heal it or remove it.

...Each one must rely upon inner guidance to determine when to let go of human ties and when not to let go.

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...In dealing with a marital problem, you would realize that since God is one, the only relationship that exists is a relationship of oneness, and there can be no division or separation in that oneness—no inharmony or discord in one. The moment there are two, there can be any kind of discord and inharmony, but that is impossible in oneness.

...this realization of oneness might bring about a separation or divorce much more quickly than would otherwise be the case, freeing both husband and wife from the yoke of inharmony and discord and enabling both to find their oneness elsewhere.

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...No one has the right to outline how a demonstration is to take place because everything must unfold in accordance with spiritual good, not in accordance with some human being's idea of what constitutes good.

...It is unwise to attempt to protect loved ones from discords and inharmonies which, knowingly or unknowingly, they have brought and are bringing upon themselves. It is better to give up anxious concern, loose them, and let them live with some of their discords, because the overprotection which would keep them from the results of their own conduct is often the stumbling block which prevents them from awakening to the truth of being.

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...no one need despair if those in his family, his church group, in his nation, or in the world at large are not responding at this moment to the spiritual impulse. In their own time they will.

... Each one is responsible for his own spiritual demonstration, and it is useless to blame the other fellow for a lack of spiritual courage.

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...Why not face the fact that most people are not yet ready to leave those who they believe are acting in such a way as to hold back their demonstration? So no one should blame anyone—not even himself—but quickly realize that only the acceptance of a universal belief in a selfhood apart from God could hypnotize him into believing that any influence outside his own being could act upon him.

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... In spiritual living there is no dependence upon any person or thing: There is a sharing, but there is never dependence. Whatever is shared with another is shared from the infinite bounty of God: "I and my Father are one"...

...When this oneness is glimpsed, every relationship becomes one of friendship, joy, and co-operation.

...There is a bond, a spiritual tie, which binds together all the children of God. This is not a tie to human beings or mortals, and that is why those who persist in remaining on the human or mortal level ultimately drift out of the experience of the more spiritually illumined. Each one draws unto himself those with whom he is spiritually united, his spiritual brothers and sisters; but those who live and insist on living on the mortal or material plane sooner or later drift away from him, and sometimes the greatest heartaches come from trying to hold on to them.

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...Since God is the life, wisdom, activity, and supply of your being, you have no demonstration to make which is dependent upon anyone here on earth. You are spiritually fed, clothed, and housed. Your utter and complete reliance is on this truth that all that the Father has is yours. If the whole earth were wiped away, this one truth would remain, "I and my Father are one," and all that the Father has would still be yours.

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From Living Between Two Worlds

... This universe is a projection of Consciousness, and your world and mine are of the nature of our state of consciousness. Our world is the product of the measure of the I that we are showing forth. If we were wholly unconditioned, then our world could be wholly and entirely spiritual, incorporeal, harmonious, eternal, and immortal. But we have been able to manifest only a certain degree or measure of that infinite divine Consciousness, and, therefore, our world is exactly the measure of divine Consciousness that we can realize.

Living Between Two Worlds
Chapter 12 – "The Power and Dominion"

Search: "out picturing of"

From The 1959 Hawaiian Village Closed Class

...With wisdom we learn not to be afraid of failure; with wisdom we learn not to be afraid of lack or limitation; with wisdom we learn to be patient with our transitional experiences until we do come into the fulfillment. Be assured of this: our life's experience is the out-picturing of our own state of consciousness. Whatever limitations we're experiencing are the limitations of our own state of consciousness and they're going to continue until our state of consciousness develops and deepens, and becomes enriched, and then the outer experience follows that pattern.

262 B 1959 Hawaiian Village Closed Class "The Mysticism and Metaphysics of The Infinite Way"

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From The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three

...But in proportion as we no longer sit in judgment the Adamic nature is being overcome, and gradually we are enabled to look through the appearance, becoming ever more and more aware of the omnipresent Christhood. In this release of the human sense, it is possible to commune with nature and even with animals, thereby coming into a sense of oneness with all life.

The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three
Chapter 4
"Neither Good nor Evil – The Middle Path"

Search: "animating principle"

From The 1954 Honolulu Lecture Series

...Even before there was a visible seed, there had to be an invisible action, called Love. Love is behind it all, whether it was the creation of human children; or birds; or fish—it's Love. Love is the animating principle.

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From God Formed Us For His Glory

... I acknowledge God to be the very temple of my being. I acknowledge God to be the light, the soul, the spirit, the animating principle of my being. I acknowledge that the entire kingdom of God is active in my consciousness and that it is appearing outwardly as the happiness, joy, success, supply, home, the allness of my daily experience.

God Formed Us For His Glory
Chapter 1 – "Introduction to the Spiritual Plane"

Search: "this realization of oneness"

From Conscious Union with God

...Remember always that the basis of our work is: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God." One of the ways of seeking first the kingdom of God is this realization of oneness because, when you have demonstrated your conscious oneness with God, all the things are added unto you. Therefore, oneness with God constitutes oneness with every spiritual being and idea. It may be that some person is needed to bring about the happy adjustment of your affairs—the right real estate agent, the right banker, the right investment counselor, or the right metaphysical teacher. The right one would not be contacted by simply desiring the right one, but by consciously realizing your oneness with God.

Conscious Union with God Chapter 13 – "Mysticism"

From The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three

...You are Self-complete, sustained, maintained, and fulfilled through your conscious oneness with God. It is up to you, individually, to so assimilate a comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the letter of truth that you can come into some degree of this realization of oneness, in order that you may permit the truth to flow in greater and ever-increasing measure.

The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three Chapter 10 – "The Demonstration of God"

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From The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three

... As you, individually, attain conscious union with God, you become that very Spirit through which God pours Itself; and

as you place utter and complete reliance on the Christ, the divine Presence within, you begin to realize that you are that place through which God shines upon the world. As you accept this rather earth-shaking realization and are willing to be the instrument or avenue through which good flows out to the world, you make the transition from being a branch to being the vine.

The Heart of Mysticism, Volume Three Chapter 6 – "In God's Presence is Fullness of Life

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