

Chapter Nine

Holiness – The only nature of things

***Ninth Gate:* I do not accuse the people of God of being sinners. It is true that all things were made by the true God and are now very good.**

This ninth lesson teaches to stand by our Super “I” with its high language, until the fruits of its language lay out before us our true life-field. It teaches to find that hidden Self! It teaches to speak from that! It teaches to choose what we truly will, and shows it as Universal Will. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be – out of the reach of death and those shadows of death, the hurts of flesh and of mind.

Some people have called that conquering central flame, which can so overpower all human sensation and mental awareness, the *I Am*. Some have called it *the Spirit of man*. Some have called it *the Spirit of God or the Strength of Jehovah*.

Jesus, the All-overshining Jesus of Nazareth, declared, “The Spirit of God is upon me.” (Lk 4:18) He also said *I AM*, and transcended all other martyrs in the risen splendor of the central flame common to, but hidden deep in all humankind. He knew the risen vigor as *Will*. “Whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven the same is my brother and sister, and mother.” (Matt 12:50) He shouted of His glorification despite the wounds of the cross, and cried aloud of His almighty identification with Universal Spirit, “Into Thy hands I commend my Spirit.” (Lk 23:46)

The true printed Life of Jesus should glory in telling of his sense of out-glowing all wounds because He knew himself with ecstatic zeal as *God Himself* proving the rightful status of all humankind.

Mystical Science, which shows how the Secret Flame can be wooed to rise superior to all human laws physical and mental, tells of an Over-Splendor of attention toward us. It is ever wooing our attention until its likeness in us rises into Oneness with its Splendor as Undefeatable Greatness - the Greatness of Unconquerable Will.

It is not a matter of consciousness or unconsciousness of mind or

body. It is not a matter of right or wrong, or human calculation. It is the New Kingdom's Super Life.

To most people the old "I" must aver according to appearance, as "I am sick," or, "I am overworked." This is *its* gospel truth. But the "I," as kindling coalavers, "I, living vigor!" "I, godly strength!" "I decree!" Ye shall eat of the old fruit – ye shall eat of the new fruit, according to kindling or non-kindling of the words by recognition of the *I Spark*. God's Spirit shall not forever be humbled in humankind – "I am the light." (Jn 8:12, 9:15) "He that eats me shall live by me." (Jn 6:57)

At the *ninth*, humankind is willing to refuse the old fruits. They declare as Christ in them, "I, the Alive – I, the Eternal – transfiguring and transforming all things by my *I decree*."

Nine is the Assumption, the Joy of Mary, the taking for granted, the supposing of a thing without visible proof, the unwarrantable claim. The Great Assumption is the Great *I Spark* speaking its own joyous facts, which come forth glorifying human experience with new fruits.

Nine stands for the closing of an old cycle and the opening of a new cycle, the old touching the new and the new, touching the old like beads on a rosary.

The great mystics have prophesied that the Messiah appears at the beginning of some *nine cycle*. A cycle in which the old *I*, gives way to the new *I*. The old *I* is telling the truth of itself and others according to appearances. The new *I* – or the awakening *I* – is telling truth according to the kingdom of the Super Spark – till it flashes its dominion over animate and inanimate. The Highest God and the Inmost God is one God.

Acknowledge the Highest – the Great Countenance of the Absolute, and its *I Seed* awakes with the Assumption, the Unwarrantable Claim, the Word of the Lordship. "Very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it." (Deut 30:14)

The *Divine I*, which has its location in a point back of the breast, is still alive in every breast on earth. Assumption of the things It sees, It feels, It knows, will cause them to show forth, brightening all the paths in which we move daily, with the unprecedented, the unbelievable, and the unexpected.

The ministry of acknowledgment and recognition, into which we are hurried, is wide and far-reaching, or near and intimate in demonstration according to whether our vision proceeds far or keeps close.

The science of the recognition of the Presence of God in the Universe, by the uplifting of the vision to Divine Beneficence, is the oldest science maintaining its stately march through the long non-

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acceptance of the human race.

We may show forth lofty character and great attainments by gazing often toward the Highest, the Great Countenance of the Absolute, ever facing us. The Deity onlooks thee, onlook thou the Deity.

The one mystery of our accomplishing executiveness is that whatever we persistently recognize and acknowledge surely comes forward and deals with us. Recognition and acknowledgment are the *two-law* from which something must come forth, worth while or not worth while. We must woo and woo the Majesty and Responsive Beneficence ever facing us. Our wooing will be astonishingly rewarded.

Our eighth lesson urged recognition of the High and Lofty One as All-Power. Recognition of the Universal Rounded, Super Worth-While into whose Glorious Oblivion all limitations and false estimates may be thrown, by casting them away, having nothing to do with them. *It is not so!*

This ninth lesson calls attention to the Undifferentiated, Ever-facing Original also called Soul, Self, God, or Angel of God's Presence. It is truly Free Spirit, Free Beneficence, and Free Giver. It is that Dominant of which the ancients were speaking when they promised that whosoever should put away all words contending against high praises, should find Free Spirit and the Immortal Self, dominating.

Grace, mercy and peace from God, teach no other doctrine - "For God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." (2 Tim 1:7) "Circumcision made without hands - putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ - quickened together with him, having spoiled principalities and powers." (Col 2:11)

Coming thus to our own Free Self, our own Divinity Spark, our own *I decree*, clarifies the atmospheres of false instructions. Heretofore hidden truth comes boldly forth. *I*, the mighty Truth – *I*, the awakened to life eternal. The Highest God and the Inmost God is one God.

But if you should yourself hear one of the soundless truths that the great *Ain Soph* holds hidden in the etheric silence round about your head, especially waiting for your own ears only, promising that the desire of your heart is fulfilled this day, you would tremble from head to foot with joy. You would be found declaring, "Thy word in me is joy to mine own heart." (Is 15:16) *I*, Joy, ray forth joy. *I* ray forth my own *I Am, I Will, I Can*.

Joy that inwardly stirs by truth from on high is a Healing Energy, a Savior, or Joshua.

"Take thee one stick and write *Judah (the unseen eternal)*,... then take

another and write... *Joseph (the manifest external)*,...and they shall become one in thy hand," (Eze 37:16) said the voice of the Lord to Ezekiel, who was the most mystical minister among the ancient prophets.

Jesus did not take a visible stick or scepter to touch the beautiful *Judah Self* of the *Joseph self* of the corpse body of Nain. He did not take a visible stick to make the *Judah* beauty glow and gleam and glorify through rosy lips and sparkling eyes and stirring blood as living widow's son at the city gates. Jesus laid His hand on the *Joseph self* while steadfastly looking toward the ever-waiting Angel of the Presence, flying swiftly, mighty in strength, ministering Spirit, doing wondrously. He told His disciples to thus lay hands on the sick, that they might recover their seemingly lost immortal *Judah-Self*, the ever near Angel of the Presence.

He drew the waiting glow and glory of everyone's Angel of Life ever present, to gleam and gladden them as living strength, even when they seemed dead. "I drew them with cords - with bands of love and I was to them as they that take off the yoke on their jaws." (Hose 11:4)

Keep your eye on the Eternal, and your intellect will grow. Honor and fortune exist for them who remember that they are in the presence of the High Cause. Therefore, "Unto thee, O my Strength, will I sing," (Ps 59:17) animating my particular Self with Thy Universal Energy! O Thou I, and I Thou!" Practice the Presence of the Most High, the Great Countenance of the Absolute, the *Ain Soph*

"And.., when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy (*spoiling principles*), who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if you will, you can make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him." (Lk 5:12-14)

The Apostolic succession in Christian ministry was very efficacious in drawing forth to visibility the Stainless Spark, or *Judah Self* of a person, by the laying on of hands. For more than fifteen centuries the Christian minister laid his ordained hand upon the *Joseph* breast of his sick parishioner with sacred tenderness. He repeated the accepted Christian formula for making the invisible *Judah* effulgence one with the outward body.

"As with this visible oil your body outwardly is anointed, so our heavenly Father, Almighty God, grant of His infinite goodness that your soul, inwardly, may be anointed with the Holy Ghost, who is the Spirit of all strength, comfort, relief and gladness. And grant in His great mercy to restore unto you your bodily health, and strength, to serve Him, and send you release from all your pains, troubles and diseases, both in body and mind - through Jesus Christ our Lord."

And wonderful were the restorations of the Lord Self to the man or

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woman who had lost sense of vital oneness of *Judah* and *Joseph* in their own bodily form.

Labor to keep alive in your breast the spark of celestial fire, the quenchless flame. Remember the smokeless fire, the effulgent center capable of *infinite procession in extenso*, of far extending radiance - the Stainless Spark.

When Jesus touches the leper and says, “I will, be thou clean,” (Lk 5:13) He is surely feeling the sweet fires running along from the God Self of Himself through the palms of His hands, and the tips of His fingers. Surely, He sights with mystic energy the unseen Angel to wake joyous soundness where no waking seemed possible. “I drew them with the bands of love, and they knew not that I healed them.” (Hose 11:4) “Take thee one stick and write... *Judah*, then take another stick and write *Joseph*, and they shall be one in thine hand.” (Eze 37:16)

The Lord mighty to save stands stately and majestic everywhere facing us. “Two are ever in the field. One shall be taken, the other left.” (Matt 24:40) Call,

“Stand forth, Life, Health, and Strength! Come ye blessed of my Father! It is God’s will that you stand forth strong, glad, and free! It is my will that you stand forth strong, glad, and free! It is your will that you stand forth strong, glad, and free!”

This memra, or *Will Word*, is the one harmonic chord stretching its soundless note, world without end, through humans and angels, from the just – the mighty Will – filling the universe.

Only those who have felt the blaze in their own breast can sense to the full, the vital fire that burns in the breast of their neighbors, when their form seems lifeless, unconscious, past knighting with their own divinity. Therefore it is that all lessons of Ineffable Mysticism return again and again to the relation of one’s own Lord Self to the High “I AM,” ever standing before us.

“I praise God that I am healed!” shouted one who felt his Spark Celestial stir to speak as truth speaks by the inner Lord despite outer diseased contentions. And though all the people sided with his outer contention, or diseased form, he spoke again more loudly still of the Lord Spark, burning Truth in his breast, “Praise God! He has made me whole! I am healed!” And his truth of his own Lord Self transfused and uplifted and out-shone so that his outer frame glowed with the beauty of health, and all those who had sided with his previous showings were confounded.

The verities are the same in all tenses. The *I Am That* belongs to us now as it was in the beginning, and always shall be, unabrogated forever. Whatever we will be we are, as Lord Self, ready to kindle the demon-

stration of *I Am That*, according to our acknowledgment. “Take thee one stick and write . . . *Judah*, then take another stick and write *Joseph* and they shall become one in thy hand,” (Eze 37:16) is our privilege. For the great things of our *Judah Self* are the things our *Joseph self* can manifest.

This has been called knowing the Self, or recognition of the pure Splendor inherent in all humankind as Omniscience and Omnipotence. Self Spark fearlessly waiting till *I Am That* be boldly spoken.

Joy follows hearkening to the voice of the ever-speaking Highest. “Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart.” (Hos 15:16) And joy is strength: “The joy of the Lord is your strength.” (Nehe 8:10) And strength is the bread of heaven: “Man shall feed in the strength of the Lord.” (Micah 5:4) And joy in the Lord as strength is a healing radiance. “The merry heart does good like a medicine.” (Prov 17:22) “The Lord loves a cheerful giver,” (II Cor 9:7) or a giver of cheer. For they “tread on serpents.” (Lk 10:19) That is, they bring forth health, and strength and wise words from their neighbors as the sun draws forth the serpents of the stony fields. In the old days, serpents were symbolic of health, strength, and wisdom.

The strongest constituent of our constitution is our joy chord. Can you make your neighbors joyous? They are surely cured of all their maladies if you can wake the joy that slumbers unstirred in their being.

No condemnation abides with the awakened joy spark. “I came not to condemn,” (Jn 3:17) said the healing Jesus. “He that is of a merry heart has a continual feast,” (Prov 15:15)

As the lily is not lessened in fragrance though a thousand people smell thereof, so the bottomless pit of the God-Spark, is not lessened, by much *procession in extenso*. There is that which scatters and yet increases is true of the *I Am That* of myself, and of the *Thou art That* which I ardently proclaim to my neighbors. There is no limit to their joy fountain, their “*I*” with its divine fruitings.

“Go your way,” responds the Mighty Lord of my neighbor’s presence; “eat your bread with joy, and drink your wine with a merry heart; for God now accepts your works.” (Eccl 9:7) “You shall be named the Priests of the Lord. Men shall call you the Ministers of our God.” (Is 61:6) “I will make you a joy of many generations.” (Is 60:15)

This *Ninth* tells of the joy that comes by communing with one stronger than Nature’s forces and wiser than the human mind. “And your joy no man takes away.” (Jn 16:22) “For he that communes with me strengthens.” (Dan 10:19)

The strength chord stretches between Universal Omnipotence and our omnipotence. It is the Joy Chord and the Love Chord also. It is the

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faith shout of *I Am Victory* in the hour of defeat.

As the actinic ray in the sun is the secret of its life-giving charm, so the joy of the Lord is our strength. Humanity may invigorate in that strength until it becomes a royal magnet to the life of every neighbor, to the health of every neighbor and to the joyous smile of every neighbor.

Mystic joy of heart is the magnetic mystery, which few on earth exhibit in the plenitude of its attractive energy. It is because we do not put forth from the magnetic *I center* of our being, the *I Jesus hand* that came not to be ministered unto, but to minister. At the magnetic Spark Center of our being we are “The Sun of Righteousness - with healing in His wings.” (Mal 4:2)

As the sun draws the oak tree out from the acorn’s stiff cortex, up through the hard mold, past the tough grass roots, to centuries of forest life, so the hand that takes the yoke from off the Judah jaws of humankind, must move out from a central magnet stronger than death.

No accusation abides at the magnetic center of our being. If it is love, it is a love that ministers, asking nothing in return. It can awaken to such might by our alliance with the Mighty, that it draws forth the integrity that hides like a giant asleep in all hearts.

The recognition of giant integrity, waiting to be awakened, annuls the disposition to condemn. There is no time to parley with would-be hindrances. The main business engrosses: “*It is your will - It is my will - It is God’s will - Come forth!*” It stirs the victorious “*I Am That!*”

There is an axiom that is bone of our bone, and sinew of our sinew. It came with us when we came from our heavenly Father’s bosom. If we speak it forth, word for word and letter for letter, we are the sunshine and gladness of every life with which we associate. No situation daunts us. It is the laughing topaz stone of fearlessness, because nothing has power to hurt its *self - existent verity*.

Inward buoyancy, kindling into speech, dissolves danger, animosity, and failure. It puts them at disadvantage. To this day the words, “I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts,” (I Sam 17:45) carry something of the victorious self-executive.

The glorious Lord ever facing shall be acknowledged, recognized, sound, and free, wherever we look. “Like attracts like.” Magnetic gladness of heart attracts gladness of heart. This medicine divine stays waiting high watch, self-recognition, and joyous association with the *Lord I Am* of our neighbor, fearless of his hurting power, fearless of all hurting powers.

“And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations.” (Rev 2:26) To overcome is to

come over - to come over or above our circumstances and the feelings of our bodies - by looking above to Him ever beholding us. This is to identify with Power above the nations and combinations of delusions, as divine magnets to the Strong, Glad and Free Self, even of multitudes: “Great multitudes came unto him, and he healed all.” (Matt 12:15, 15:30)

“Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God.” (Rev 3:12) *Pillar* is strength. “The joy of the Lord is your strength.” (Nehe 8:10) Joy gives mysterious potency to the hands visible, and to the hands invisible. To stretch forth invisible hands, and touch Responsive Strong Spirit, and say, *Come forth!* is to go into all the world and *lay hands on*, that multitudes may come forward repossessing their own wholeness.

Thus with upward vision does the delusional age end, and the Reality Age appear. Upward vision draws up from our native root of sincerity. By upward vision often practiced, every human being starts anew from his Sincerity Root, and drops the dry branches of lower attention, which have formulated into nervous prostration, decrepitude, poverty, discouragement or apprehension.

Is it not written, “Ruling all nations with a rod of iron,” (Rev 2:27) or with the irresistible pulling strength of magnetic iron? “I, if I be lifted up . . . will draw all men unto me.” (Jn 12:32)

Let us then “lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens,” (Lam 3:41) with sweet commandment, praying, “Turn thou us unto thee, O Lord . . . renew our days as of old.” (Lam 5:21) This is heavenly exhortation making our message as ointment poured forth.

“From the *sixth* hour there was darkness over all the land unto the *ninth* hour.” (Matt 27:45, Mk 15:33, Lk 23:44) Is it not always understood that darkness is ignorance? The *sixth* hour sets forth the law of spontaneous or volitional calling after the Unknown and Invisible, to let It take possession of us after Its own fashion. The *seventh* and *eighth* tell of forging ahead for our neighbors’ Unknown and Universal Best Good to take possession of them, manifesting after Its own fashion.

But the *ninth*, in all ages, treats of the knowing, the cognizance, the independent awareness by our own apperception, of the Reality of the High Best Self of our neighbor, the Great Angel of His Presence. The tangibility of the Immortal and Unspoilable Self, clothed, housed, fed, strong, glad and free, is the outward sign of our recognition of the oneness of his *Judah* and *Joseph* self.

“Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me.” (Matt 25:45) This closes the age of darkness – of the concealment of the Self – and gives tactile value to the Angel of God’s

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Presence speaking to us and dealing with us, whenever a person speaks to us or faces us.

There is but One Supreme Self in the universe, ever inviting each self to transcend itself by recognition of its own One Supreme Self. We are all brethren, because our neighbor's One Supreme Self is our Supreme Self also. This is the genesis of the injunction to love the neighbor as the Self.

“At the *Ninth* hour Jesus gave up the ghost.” (Matt 27:50, Mk 15:36, Lk 23:46) He dropped the sense of a body or mind differentiated from the Supreme Self. He sent forth his Divine Influence, unfettered by form, to be caught through contagion by all humanity, world without end.

The Levitical law of Hebraism reads that man shall eat of the old fruits until the *Ninth*. We have a native word of prophecy, “We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts.” (II Pet 1:19) Day star is lodestar, magnetic center, where the Original Knower in us awaits our spoken *I am That!* Where our neighbor awaits our spoken *Thou art That!* And where the very world awaits our *I decree!*

“Look upon Zion,” (Is 33:20) says Isaiah, “But there the glorious Lord will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams.” (Is 33:21) The inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.” (Is 33:24) Surely, this is a precious treasure, this topaz stone of independent recognition, and independent speech. Every other way of viewing our neighbors exposes us to their shadow system's discordant traits.

“Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.” (Rev 3:10) Come over the personal hardships by looking up. Did not the Great Prophet say: “And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.” (Lk 21:28)

Keep the Great Name, or the Great Word, as set forth in the first study, and prove the promise, “I will keep thee from the hour of temptation.” (Rev 3:10)

Keep therefore the high watch and the wonder-working Name, until the spark *I Am That* lets loose its executive splendor with its *I will and I decree*.

Speak from the Spark Dominant and see its dominion! “For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem,”

as Isaiah prophesied. (Is 2:3)

How reviving to humanity is the voice of the God-Will waking the silence of ages with the word, bearing the scepter of authority, addressed to the True Self of our neighbor. *It is your will to be glad, strong, and free! It is my will that you be strong, glad, and free! It is the will of High God that you be strong, glad, and free!* Walk with me, acknowledging no other voice than the voice of The Supreme now chording all wills into Its One Will. *I Am That Will – Thou art That Will – God is That Will – There is but One Will!*

Practice

Bible Verses to commit to memory

“The ninth, a topaz.” (Rev 21:20)

“The topaz was in the breastplate, and had the name of Simeon upon it.” (Cruden’s Concordance)

“Thy words were found and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of my heart.” (Jer 15:16)

“The joy of the Lord is your strength.” (Neh 8:10)

“The friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth, rejoiceth greatly.” (Jn 3:29)

“He that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast.” (Prov 15:15)

“A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.” (Prov 17:22)

“They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.” (Mk 16:18)

“Ye shall eat of the old fruit till the ninth year.” (Lev 25:22)

Résumé - Wednesday, Second Week

The law of listening is the law of joy. Upward watchers get their inner ear opened to know how matters and things are progressing.

The mystics have always failed in proportion with their insistence on the wickedness and failings of their neighbors. But even on the cross Jesus saw the forgiven world. It is strong, fixed, sight that governs the ideas that show in conduct and in flesh.

If you forget a name look steadily toward the person who bears it, and the name will come to you. If you do not get it promptly, it is evident that your vision does not stay fixed. The photographic plate has to be exposed to the object long enough to catch its impression distinctly or the configuration is indistinct. Try again and look longer.

Looking toward God on high, we can catch the law just suited to the person who seems to be unhappy. If we do not catch the law at first we must look again.

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The words caught from above have always uplifting and healing potency in them. “Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of my heart” (Jer 15:16).

The description of the strong and beautiful Self localizes the Universal Truth. This localizing is called healing. “I will give you pastors that shall feed you with knowledge,” said the Lord to Jeremiah, (Jer 3:15) and all the people shall be new and glad. How can pastors feed with the joy of right if they have not themselves been fed?

There is a root of strength and vitality about everybody and everything. The right speech with the right tonic in it can animate it into astonishing virility. Even an apparently dead tree is reachable by those with the tone of this vitalizing mystery, in their secret speech. It is an unkillable quality resident at the roots of life, just as the actinic ray, that sweetens the grape, is an unquenchable constituent of the sunshine.

Joy must be quickened from somewhere. The Scriptures declare that it is quickened from hearing vitalizing truth. “Thy words were found and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of my heart” (Jer 15:16). This joy, that comes of being in direct communication with the *I AM*, is an increasable product.

When we speak to the Soul, the Jesus Christ of our neighbor, we are comrading with the Supernal Neighbor. We are keeping High Company. “God hath set us on high because we have first known his name,” (Ps. 91:14), and at every turn we behold Divinity manifesting as beauty, health and joy – the outward signs of the Universal Highest.

Joy is the large and formidable power resident in humanity. Whoever can awaken God-joy in his neighbor brings forth the most powerful principle he covers.

It is a secret charm, which people covet, and follow after and get comfort from. Haggai says that it is the real desire of all nations.” (Hag. 2:7) Its symbol is the topaz stone. It signifies that the triumph of steadfast vision has come in the words which set nobility where wickedness had hereto been visible.

Often glancing to the Heights brings back transforming words that stir the joy chords. For it is a joy to tell the words that transform pain into peace, and disease into health. It awakens youth to feel the joy currents leap within us. It makes the hand magnetic to the angel, so that it pulls the angel of our neighbor’s presence forward when we stretch forth the hand. Jesus touched the free Spirit of the leper (Matt 8) and the angel of the child of Nain (Luke 7). He said we ought to lay hands on the sick to make them recover (Mk 16:18). He means that we have to come to the ninth stone of character, where the angel is tangible to us.

Let us practice touching the invisible, yet tangible present angel of some sick person. Let us take Wednesday to stretch forth invisible hands and urge the angel to make himself manifest. This urge is our will. It is our neighbor's will. It is God's will. This is the song of the topaz, or of the Universal Will to be well.

There is a pulling power in the hand as we say to the Angel of the Presence: "Come forth! It is God's will, it is your will, it is my will that you be well and strong and glad. Come forth!" Tell him your most joyous text. Repeat it over and over as a song is repeated. "I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of compassion, with the bands of love, and I became to them as one who eases the yoke on their jaws, and I bent down to them and fed them." (Hos 11:3-4)