

## Chapter 1: This Was Supposed To Be The Epilogue



Today is 8/1/2024, early in the morning, and I'm experiencing an "Ah, ah continuing moment." I've dedicated countless hours to writing over seventeen manuscripts on A Course In Miracles. I'm deeply familiar with all its teachings, having carefully thought them through to ensure clarity for others. Despite this, I've struggled to help readers fully grasp my points. While Course students understand, others seem to miss the mark. I hope this changes starting now.

You must agree that the subject of God is the most mysterious topic of all. After years of thinking and writing about this subject, I'm going to attempt and make everything I *know* simple for you to understand. My parents were old enough to be my grandparents. Dad was born in 1897 and mom in 1904. I was fortunate to have been raised in a loving home. Mom and dad weren't churchgoers, and the subject of God never came up. They *did* teach a little prayer when I was very young. "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray to the Lord my soul to keep, if I should die before I awake, I pray to the Lord, my soul to take." So as a toddler, the existence of a higher power was ingrained. When I became older, friends would discuss God. "Where did God come from? I don't believe any of it." I couldn't answer but retained my belief. Today, I simply accept the truth that *God Is*. My knowledge of a higher power has survived countless attacks for 50 years and continues to grow. My perception of this world is

changing to wisdom that understands *all* is most perfectly well because of the supreme Love of God. Love is not an emotion but an extremely powerful Force which guides, teaches and sustains.

I've dedicated myself to understanding this Being, driven largely by curiosity. This morning, it struck me that I'm publishing these manuscripts in a world where most people don't even believe in God's existence. They never have, never will, and have no interest in the subject whatsoever. So, should I stop writing? My answer to that is No. The reason I say this is that I've learned more from my writings than anyone else. Make sense? I've been gifted with a logical mind, absolutely no common sense, but a logical mind. Read my book, *Flip Sides Of The Same Coin We Call Life*. It's an autobiography, and you will be amazed at some of the absolutely idiotic, important decisions I've made. I still wonder how I could have been *that* stupid. In college, I aced high-end mathematics, Calculus, Quantitative Methods (QM), and Advanced Algebra. I was gifted with a mind for math and what I enjoyed about the studies is there are no gray areas. One plus one equals two, pure logic. I should have decided on engineering as a career, but alas, no common sense. I'm using this same logic while attempting to explain The Course. I've always struggled with the idea of how could a God of Love create a place of endless, unimaginable suffering for all eternity, known as Hell? It just doesn't align with the nature of a loving God. Hell is a concept created by the ego, the misguided part of our mind, to project the enemy outside of ourselves. This way, we fail to recognize that our true enemy is in our mind..

Please humor me for a little while, and somewhat consider the idea that God Is. Forty years ago, I taught a large adult Sunday school. As I explained, I always had a problem with the concept of Hell and never mentioned the subject. ACIM comes along and proclaims Hell does not exist. Way cool. The wars, crime, poverty, corruption, hate, and fear we see in this world every day were never mentioned in class either. I chose to teach and talk about the good, not the bad.

ACIM teaches even better news. God doesn't even know about any of those problems because Source isn't even aware of the existence of this entire universe. The Course explains God's first Creation was Christ (not Jesus) and that God's very nature is one of complete extension. To explain the logic of all this I wrote the following fictional story utilizing the teachings of ACIM. The statement about the black hole is of course my imagination.

"Whoa, why is this? Who am I? Another answered, not by voice, but somehow He heard. You're My Son. What's a Son? You're my very first creation. What does creation mean? I'll show You around after a little more creating. You're also My only joy. Astonishingly, He knew what joy is and He felt absolutely wonderful. This Being started to share the very essence of Who He Is, and suddenly, He started to learn and comprehend very, truly, extremely fast. He mysteriously understood atomic forces, protons, electrons, neutrons, neutrinos, recurring and changing inorganic and organic molecules. He comprehended amino acids and the forces that regulate all. Vistas of astonishing beauty opened up for Him. He became ecstatic while gazing at forests, oceans, rivers, lakes, mountains, skies, worlds, suns, stars, galaxies, and universes. He was everywhere with this magnificent One. He asked, Who are You? I Am was the reply. He instantly comprehended His own name is Christ.

He became aware this is His Father, Whose very nature is to give and teach all He knows, and He knows everything. Christ knew He was not in any way separate or different from God and understands He is not a part of God but an extension of the whole. He knew love must be shared, and the love that is shared in His Father's universe is exquisite and beautiful. Oh, the joy and laughter as They completed One Another. Christ supremely became as powerful, compassionate, wise, knowing, limitless, and most importantly as loving as His Creator. They are inseparable and continue to co-create vast galaxies and universes. However, due to the infinite wisdom of I Am, they stopped short of creating life to populate all that is. In Their beautiful Minds, They knew exactly

what to do when God would say the moment was perfect. They envisioned all aquatic life, myriads of different flying species, all animal life, and the harmony of the varying interconnected environments all would live in. Their creations were also to be gifted with the ability to co-create. Each after their own kind. All of this would happen in a nanosecond, just as Christ had been created. There was no concept of time or space for They were everywhere, and They were One. God has created Christ to be exactly like Himself and to share His eternal love and joy in a state of unencumbered, boundless, and unimaginable ecstasy. Any question the Son asked was instantly answered as Their communication was perfect.

Then somewhere, somewhen Christ asked a question that was *not* answered. What? Why? The question was like, "What else is there?" or "What would it be like to go out and play by Myself?" I Am did not answer because there *is* nothing else, but God's perfect creation. The Divine Son became horrified, certainly an awful new feeling previously unknown. He mistakenly thought His perfect communication was completely gone. Then He experienced a vastly more terrible knowing. Fear. Christ instantly created a universe of His own where He could hide. The Big Bang occurred, composed of billions of fragments. He needed somewhere deeper to escape, so He made the first human bodies after His Own Image and placed His magnificent Mind into all of them. The first ego was spawned. This Mind believes that it is completely on its own. Christ also actualized all the animal life, countless aquatic creatures, the avian companions, and the harmonious environments they would all co-create in. The idea of duality could not be carried out in God's Reality, so Christ created a universe of illusion and entered it as if falling asleep and dreaming.

Because They were no longer perfectly communicating God thought, "My Child is asleep and must be awakened." *But there was a major problem.* Whatever God places His attention on becomes as if it is real. If God entered the dream to redeem His Son, then the dream would become real to Him as well, and He would also be trapped. There would be the risk of both the Father and

the Son becoming eternally separated from their true Home and losing Their Identity. In other words, if God Himself were to acknowledge anything except the idea of perfect oneness, then there would no longer *be* perfect oneness. To solve the problem and allow God to keep His attention focused on Reality, He created a special agent, the Holy Spirit, Who would be a bridge between the two states of existence and the answer to the perceived separation. The Spirit was created with the miraculous ability to view God's perfect Heaven while also viewing the Son's imperfect dream. The Holy Spirit knew the original Christ Mind had created a black hole and was attempting to achieve nothingness, His fear was *that* immense. The brilliant light of God completely shattered the darkness and Christ began to love Himself again and woke up in the Heaven He never left.

So now Christ who is once again learning from the Father is thinking, "I've learned much from my first question of "Whoa, why is this?" I must help the children I have made who are sleeping." Thus enters Jesus into our dream illusion. The Son thought, "I'll have Jesus be born of a virgin, and he'll be able to perform what my children will call miracles." Christ knew He had been healed by the Holy Spirit, so the same Spirit conceived Jesus in Mary's womb. Furthermore, Christ reasoned, "I'll ask the Holy Spirit to descend on Jesus in the form of a dove after he's baptized by John. I'll have him led into the desert immediately after his baptism and live for 40 days and nights without food or water." He knew His children would mistakenly think the reason was to be tempted by a Satan which doesn't exist. Christ also thought, "I'll have Jesus trained in the wilderness to only listen to the Holy Spirit; thus his ego will be totally eliminated. Jesus will be the only one in time who will completely manipulate his dreaming. He'll walk on water, calm the seas, feed the multitudes, explain magnificent spiritual truths, heal the paralyzed, the blind will see, the deaf will hear and best of all, he'll raise the dead. This will prove to my children that death is an illusion, especially after he will live again after his crucifixion." He knew unfortunately His children would think he died for their sins. My Father knows nothing about my false universe and

doesn't even know what sin is. He understands, "I'll have the same Holy Spirit Who healed Me, have Jesus thoroughly understand he is One with Me as I am One with Our Father. My creations will eventually understand the same Truth. When the last mind is healed and the false universe vanishes, My Father and I will receive great pleasure and joy in teaching our beautiful Children the perfection of Their being. Forever. They'll understand Love is not an emotion but the most powerful force in all creation.'"

This is the end of my little story, let's reason together to understand what this all means to humanity in 2024.